

Garden City Duplicate Bridge Club  
Minutes  
November 8, 2024  
11:00 a.m.

Attending: Ken Bryan, Barbara Berens, Brad Halfpap, Susan Molaris, Becky Mosbacher, John Brandeberry

1. President's report—Ken Bryan

We have a request to allow PEO, a nonprofit, use our facility on Wednesday evenings January 15, February 19 and March 19. Frank Peterson's wife, Sue, is the contact person. Unanimously approved.

Our next membership meeting will be before a spring Eight is Enough team game, date TBA

For directors:

- In order to make it more fair, we will be keeping track of sit-outs. They will be rotated, EW and NS.
- Stratifications (A, B, C) may be changed after a game to distribute points more equally, as long as it doesn't take away points from winners in higher stratifications.

2. Treasurer's report/Financial status after move and remodel—Barbara Berens

Great news! After generous donations from two members, our move and remodel has only put us behind about \$600.

The mall still owes us a refund, and Barbara is in contact with them. Ken said he can also contact them to finalize the deal.

3. Bridgemate replacement

Some players have reported that our scoring machines occasionally have "sticky" keys. There have been attempts to clean Bridgemates that are sticking. We will be keeping track of these reports and do an inventory of all the machines. We will follow up at our next meeting.

It's been awhile since we had our dealing machine serviced. We will ask Paul to check on its status and schedule if needed.

4. Chairs with wheels

Susan Molaris will contact Office City to see if we can attach wheels to our current chairs. If this is not possible, she will see if we may borrow some chairs to try out.

5. Removal of wall between K and K2 suites

At this time, we will not pursue removal of the wall. It would entail having a structural engineer evaluate, and then getting approval from our landlord.

An option for opening up the space is to install windows into the hallway. The newly remodeled door (thanks, John Knudsen!) has made the space feel less confined.

6. Artwork

Thanks to Trishia Peterman for the beautiful quilt we now have hanging. In addition, Judy Hartz made the scenic quilt near the director's station. Yes, that's a quilt, not a painting!

Susan will contact one of our very new members, Bruce Costa, who is a professional photographer to see if he will loan us art work on a rotating basis. Susan will ask if he wishes to put a price tag on his photos in case someone wants to purchase.

We could use signage, both on the outside and interior of the building. The big sign that was in the mall might be usable if we can weatherize it.

7. Thank you cards

Susan purchased cards for us to send thank yous and get well wishes to members.

8. Clean up

We will put up a sign up sheet for people who wish to help with housekeeping. Tasks include dusting, vacuuming, dumping the water/coffee receptacle, and taking out the garbage. Donna Messenger has offered to vacuum each Tuesday prior to the evening game.

9. Other items not on agenda

Member Marie Lynch passed away five years ago, and her daughter brought a case containing a set of bridge boards to the club.

10. Public comment--none

11. Schedule next meeting—Monday, February 17 at 10:45 a.m.

12. Adjourn