

Garden City Duplicate Bridge Club
Meeting Minutes
January 26, 2024

Attendees: Brad Halfpap, Judy Hartz, Fred Maker, Susan Molaris, Becky Mosbacher, Barbara Berens

1. Minutes from September 15, 2023 meeting approved
2. Club manager report (Judy):
 - a. Judy is purchasing replacement and new cards for at least one set of boards
 - b. Our directory will be updated with an insert to reflect new and deceased members. Directors are asked to make notes in the current directory for new players as they join us.
 - c. There will be four STAC weeks in 2024, occurring in January, March, October, and December. There is an extra fee of \$4 per table, for which the club absorbs the fees.
 - d. Unit games on Saturdays are canceled for 2024, except for December. The December 14 Unit game will be combined with the annual Unit meeting, awards and holiday party/potluck.
 - e. National American Pairs games qualifiers will be set up at the club during the months of June, July and August for partnerships that want to qualify for NAP. Beth Loehnen and Michael Boreson recently qualified at the Kalispell tournament.
 - f. April 22-28, the club will participate in the Stardust event, offering gold points for playing at the club.
3. Treasurer report (Barbara)
 - a. The revenue report for 2023 shows a balance of \$12,029.70. This balance reflects a net increase in cash of \$1998.06 from 2022.
 - b. Our balance does not include a \$1650 credit for a double rent payment.
 - c. The August 2023 tournament revenue was not accessible, so it is not included in the report. (Judy reported that after our January 2024 tournament, we received \$435 from ACBL. Approximately \$200 of this will go toward paying Friday's musicians, and the balance will be split with the Unit.)
4. President report (Fred)

Members have been leading mini lessons before the Tuesday and Thursday games, aimed at the 299er players. Fred invites anyone who is interested in presenting to let him know.
5. Marketing report (Susan)
 - a. The club paid for a sixth-month marketing package through the *Missoulian*. The marketing package included promotional material in over 16 venues. Susan suggests that we not renew this marketing package once it runs out.
 - b. Brad and Becky are promoting the club through Saturday lessons, Tuesday night free play, and adult education classes. People have reported finding out about the club by walking past the venue while shopping in the mall.

6. New business
 - a. The Club Board is reviewing the bylaws. Members of the board will email any suggested topics of discussion or suggested changes to Becky by March 5. Becky will highlight the bylaws indicating these areas of concern, and we will review those items at our March 8 meeting.
 - b. Goals and objectives for 2024: grow our membership by continuing to provide educational opportunities for new players and look into setting up a social media page (Facebook or Instagram).
 - c. Annual meeting date set for September 6, 2024
7. Next meeting scheduled for March 8, 2024, with one agenda item: review of the bylaws.
8. Meeting adjourned.