MINUTES OF THE 12/7/24 HBC ANNUAL MEETING

CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order by President Jack Hund at 11 AM on Saturday, December 7, 2024. A quorum of members was present.

All rose for a moment of silence to honor those members and friends who had passed away this year: Ian Cohen, Marty Eichelberger, Hank Heck, Pam Murray, Tim Trissler, and Anita Winer.

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 9, 2023 ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES – These minutes were emailed to members after the 2023 Annual Meeting and have been posted at the Club since then. Linda Ivanoff made a motion to approve these minutes and this was seconded by Jeremy Lynch. The motion carried, with no opposition or abstentions.

TREASURER'S REPORT—MaryRose Noto-Hardy reviewed the November 2024 report that showed total income of \$10,126.18, which included games revenue of \$7,011. Total expenses were \$7,281.91. The net ordinary income for the month was \$2,909.82. She noted that expenses for the year were unusually high due to unexpected parking lot repaving/resealing.

As of November 30th, the Club had a bank account balance of \$22,613.89. The Money Market account had a balance of \$82,006.06. The CDs account had a balance of \$10,831.19. The Treasury Bonds account had a balance of \$21,666. Dave Charleston made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, which was seconded by Cindy Mueller. The motion carried with no objections or abstentions.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT – Chair Bill Even announced that the Club currently has 422 members, an increase of 20 since this time last year. Currently, 261 members have renewed for next year. Members were reminded to send in their renewals if they had not already done so. There are also 9 prospective new members and 1 reinstatement who have not yet been approved by the Board.

APPROVAL OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS – Jack asked the departing governors (Linda Davis, Jacqueline Granite, Linda Ivanoff, Ray Rizzo, and Jack Rudy) to stand and be recognized for their service to the Club. He then presented the names of the following candidates for election to the BOG for a three-year term: Tom Anderson, Rebecca Bergey, John DiLeonardo, Bill Even, and Bridget Whitley. Dorothy Disney made a motion to accept this slate, which was seconded by Steve Male. The motion carried with no opposition or abstentions.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS – Jack stated that HBC had great year, with an increase in membership and table count. He then noted that the Club is member owned and encouraged those interested to volunteer for one of the many activities and committees necessary to keep it running.

He then recognized in particular the board makers, Cindy Mueller, Cathy Becker, Pat Bettger, Marilyn Gillespie, and Susan Hunter; the sellers headed by Jacqueline Granite; and the guaranteed partners organized by Linda Davis.

The nominees for election as BOG officers for 2025: President - Jack Hund; Vice President - Andre St. Omer Roy; Secretary - Cecile Hund; and Treasurer – MaryRose Noto-Hardy were announced. Darius Kapadia has again volunteered to be the Assistant Treasurer, which is not an elected position.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS -

NEW LIFE MASTERS IN 2024 – Jack presented inscribed trays to new Life Masters: Bill Even, Jim Fitzgibbons, and Monica Knopf. Bill Braught, Bob Davenport, Nancy Hershey, Kamrul Khan, Karen Pagano, and Ray Rizzo were not present to receive their trays, but can pick them up when they are next at the Club.

THE MARIE AND BILL STAUTER GAME WINNERS 2023- The winners of the Annual Meeting Games in 2023 were Kathy and Kevin Harter in the Open Game, Georgi Hess and Jan Leuenberger in the 0-750 Game, and Angela Clements and Lorie Paduano in the 0-300 Game.

THE HAROLD F. LANSHE, MD TROPHY- This trophy was presented to Joyce Marafka for improvement in her game and commitment to the Club in handling the monthly Swiss team registrations.

THE PAM AND BERT MURRAY TROPHY (formerly titled the Bernard J. Murray III Trophy - the title was changed and Pam's name added after her recent passing) - This trophy, which recognizes a member who has attended beginner education classes, played in the teachers' games, made progress in their game, showed enthusiasm for the game and helped others improve their games was awarded to Carle Fones and Ozzie Doukas.

PLAY AWARDS – Club Manager, Jim Boyer, presented play awards (free plays) to those with the top three masterpoint totals earned at the Club in 2024 in each point category: Tammy Stine, Bozena Stine and John DiLeonardo in the 0-100 category; Bill Even, Monica Knopf and Kamrul Khan in the 0-750 category; Andre St. Omer Roy, Nick Hughes and Jeff Osman in the 0-1500 category; and Phil Monyer, Jack Hund and Rich Lyden in the Open category.

DIRECTORS - Jim recognized the directors and presented them with gift cards in appreciation for all they do. He noted that more directors are needed.

TEACHERS - Mike Mendelson, Education Committee Chair, expressed his sincere thanks and appreciation to those who teach and help with Bridge education at the Club. He recognized Jack Rudy and Dennis Shaub for their work teaching the Bridge Basics classes; Ricky Boyer and Midge Sobolewski for assisting with the Monday evening beginner game; Cecile Hund for being the Committee secretary, organizing the Pearls workshops, and co-teaching the Play and Learn courses with Jan Leuenberger; Steve

Fama for running the monthly after game review/evaluation sessions; Carle Fones, Ozzie Doukas and Jane Wingard for initiating the Saturday morning beginner games; Jack Hund for getting out the Education news to Club members; and Dave Charleston, Bernadette Black, Tom Neiper and the rest of the Committee for their ideas and assistance.

FINAL REMARKS – Phil Monyer took a few minutes to thank Midge Sobolewski for her long-term efforts in keeping the landscaping in shape and her work as HBC President to get the Club back in business after the pandemic. He then recognized the sellers and directors for all they do, as well as commending the "HBC power couples" Bob Priest and Linda Ivanoff, Jim and Ricky Boyer, and Jack and Cecile Hund for their efforts in so many areas to keep the Club going.

Jack Hund then thanked the Hospitality Committee for organizing the lunch and recognized Bob Priest for scheduling all the games for the Club. He also presented Dave Charleston with a unique CURMUDGEON t-shirt, just for being Dave.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn by Neil Treeby and seconded by Phil Monyer. The motion carried, with no opposition or abstentions. The meeting was so adjourned at 11:45 AM.