

JACKSONVILLE SCHOOL OF BRIDGE BOARD MEETING JULY 9, 2026

President Emmy Peters called the meeting to order at 3:30pm. Board members present: Mark Franzoni, Paul Herron, Jan Madsen, Bill Page, Michael Palmer, Emmy Peters, and Nancy Whitmire. Absent with permission: Bill Fagan, Judy Harhai, Ellen Lockamy, and Tracy Miller.

A motion was made by Michael Palmer to approve the minutes of the previous meeting and to waive the reading of the minutes. The motion was seconded by Mark Franzoni. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President Emmy Peters thanked Tracy Miller for a job well done chairing the Alzheimer's fundraiser. The Sunshine Bridge News will be running an article highlighting JSOB's participation in the event. To date, \$13,450 has been raised by JSOB for the Alzheimer's Fund.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mark Franzoni reported our June expenses exceeded our income, due to \$6000 for our lawn irrigation project and \$6,000 for ACBL supplies, a large portion of which was for 20 new Bridgemates. Cash flow remains good. We are over \$3200 in the red on food expenses because the board chose to provide the food for the Holiday Party, Mentor/Mentee, and Pro-Am events. This is good for attendance but members should be aware that it detracts from our surplus cash. There will be a \$30 fee to play in the Jacksonville/Palm Coast Tournament. Food expenses and director fee will be deducted from the proceeds. Remainder of proceeds will be split 50/50 between Jacksonville and Palm Coast.

OLD BUSINESS:

Sound System:

Our consultant, Jeff, will be providing a temporary sound system to use between now and the end of the July tournament. This will give us a better idea of how to move forward with an improved system.

Irrigation Update:

The irrigation has been installed and so far is working fine. Bill Page installed parking barriers to ensure that autos parked in front of the club do not interfere with the irrigation system.

ATT Internet Account:

Emmy Peters and Michael Palmer will visit the ATT Store to set up the account.

Use of Credit Cards for Game Payment:

In September we will initiate a trial run of Square to see if this application will work for us. It is being used successfully at the Naples Club.

Jump Start Program:

The Board has requested a progress report from Sharon Carter.

Ceiling Tiles for Sound Abatement:

The Board will continue to search for more sound absorbing ceiling tiles or other means of noise abatement.

NEW BUSINESS:**Bylaws Committee:**

Nancy Whitmire reported the committee will meet on July 13 to prepare recommendations for any edits to the bylaws. Recommendations will be presented to the Board for review and approval prior to meeting with the members for approval.

IRS Tax Designation:

JSOB was originally incorporated as a FL301.C3. Mark has been filing tax returns as a 501.C7 (social club) which the IRS has been accepting. This year they rejected the return and Mark will refile.

Replacing Plumbing in Kitchen Area:

Estimates are being accumulated for replacing piping in the kitchen area. We had a small leak recently which brought to light the necessity of replacing the piping as soon as possible. The Board will make a decision on the vendor for this project as soon as possible. Current bids are \$10,204 from Donovan and \$6,250 from Watson.

Directory Printing:

JSOB will be providing a printed copy of the membership list for distribution to members.

Bookkeeper Letter to Board:

Alice Kenyon sent a letter to the Board regarding better reporting of money received and disbursements. Mark Franzoni made a motion that a scanner be used for all daily director reports and for reimbursements which will then be sent to the bookkeeper. Nancy Whitmire seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Nominating Committee for 2027 Board Members:

Judy Harhai volunteered to chair the nominating committee for the five open seats on the 2027 Board.

Bill Page made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 4:25pm.

UPCOMING DATES:**Classes Scheduled: Ru Terajewicz**

BB1: (6 classes) 9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, 10/28

BB2: (7 classes) 12/2, 12/9, 12/16, 12/23, 1/13, 1/20, 1/27

BB3: (6 classes) 2027: 3/3, 3/10, 3/24, 3/31; 4/7, 4/14

Two-Over-One (2 classes) 2027: 4/7, 4/14

Classes Scheduled: Sharon Carter:

Play of the Hand (6 classes) - 10/13, 10/20, 10/27, 11/3, 11/10, 11/17
Defense 1, Advanced Defense (Schedule TBD)

Classes Scheduled: Louise Fontecchio

Avoiding Mistakes – 7/20, 7/27, 8/3, 8/10

Summer Sectional – July 17-19

Palm Coast/Jax Tournament – August 29

Next Board Meeting – September 17

NLM Sectional – October 23-24

Mentor/Mentee Game – December 7

Winter Sectional Jan 15-17, 2027

Summer Sectional June 18-20, 2027

NLM Sectional: October 21-22, 2027 (applied for; not yet approved)

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Whitmire, Secretary