



Kingston Duplicate Bridge Club

Executive Board Meeting

Minutes

October 12, 2023.

Present at the meeting: Sharon Boal, George Yon, Bill Mitchell, Anne Herfst, Kathy McDonald, Suzanne Ryan, Don Kersey, Chris Caswell

1. Approval of the Agenda

- Add 1 (one) item re: consideration of Sectional Tournament

Moved by Anne, Seconded by George Carried

2. Approval of the Minutes of Executive Board Meeting Sept. 13, 2023

Moved by Kathy, Seconded by Anne Carried

3. Review of AGM Minutes

- The Minutes of the AGM of September 30, 2023 were approved for posting on the web page as information only until the 2024 AGM when they will be accepted by the Membership.

- Action matters arising

- Past President

Moved by Kathy, Seconded by Bill to appoint Chris Caswell as Past President
Carried

- Chief Director

Moved by Chris, Seconded by Suzanne to appoint Don Kersey as Chief
Games Director Carried

- Club Manager

The reassignment of some of the Club Manager's responsibilities to other individuals has not taken place as was determined by the previous Board.

This topic will be discussed in greater detail at the meeting of October 19, 2023.

Moved by Bill, Seconded by Chris to appoint Kathy as interim Club Manager until December 31, 2023. Carried

- Revisions to the By-Laws

The wording of the proposed language to revise the By-Laws of the Corporation was tentatively agreed by the meeting. Bill will forward this language to Marvin Baer for his critique and return the matter to the October 19, 2023 meeting for approval.

4. Treasurer's Report

- Anne had no financials to report to the meeting

- Signing authorities

Anne proposed that the signing authorities for banking be President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary.

Moved by Anne, Seconded by Don Carried

- Club's mailing address

After much discussion it was agreed the club's official mailing address will be 1973 Rosedale Dr., Glenburnie, ON, K0H 1S0.

Moved by Bill, Seconded by Kathy Carried

- Registering/Reporting to government as non-profit

Anne and Kathy will work together to assure the appropriate government agencies receive the club's information.

- Budget for Social Committee

Anne reports that the existing system seems to be working well and that expenses are so low that a budget is not really required. Those providing food and drink purchase what they need and submit bills.

There are two (2) individuals who provide home baking on a regular basis and there is concern that perhaps they should be compensated for their expense. Consensus of the meeting was that different people volunteer in different ways, and, perhaps this is their way of volunteering. Sharon to pursue.

- Membership fees

It was agreed by the meeting that we need to re-institute membership fees. Since the onset of covid19, the club has grandfathered membership with no

fee. As the Secretary, the person responsible for membership, Bill suggested he send an email to our existing membership list. The email will inform the individuals that the Organizational By-Law Article 2 states that "Any bridge player who subscribes to the objectives of the Corporation and who pays the annual membership fee shall be a Member of the Corporation.". We will charge a membership fee of \$20.00 for the calendar year 2024. Anyone who has not joined by December 31, 2023 will be stricken from the existing membership list until such time as they rejoin the club. Further discussion at next Board Meeting.

5. I/N Report

Suzanne had nothing new to report.

6. Club Manager's Report

- Date of Christmas bridge event

Moved by Kathy, Seconded by Anne that the club have a special Christmas lunch/game on December 16, 2023 (Saturday) from 11:30 to 17:00.

Carried

- October special games

13th ACBL-wide Senior Pairs

16-22 Club Championship games

17th Erin Berry Rookie/Master game

23-29 Club Championship games

30 Jane Johnson Team game

- October evening games

Tuesday night evening games have not been a resounding success. It was decided to hold games on the 17th and 24th. Night time games will only be scheduled when there is a special reason to hold them.

- Current venue issues

No venue issues were reported.

7. Sectional Tournament

The Board asked Kathy to instigate inquiries about a Local Sectional Tournament in the new year.

8. Additional items will be referred to Executive Board Meeting on October 19, 2023.

9. Adjournment.

Moved by Don, Seconded by George to adjourn the meeting. Carried