

Kingston Duplicate Bridge Club Inc.

Executive Board Meeting

January 11, 2024

In Attendance: Sharon Boal, George Yon, Anne Herfst, Bill Mitchell, Kathy McDonald, Gaylia Ohlman, Suzanne Ryan, Don Kersey

1. Call to Order 12:35

2. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Gaylia, Seconded by George, Carried

3. Approval of Minutes of November 22, 2023 Meeting

Moved by Gaylia, Seconded by Don, Carried

4. Reports

-Treasurer

Credit card square to allow customers to use credit cards for entry fees and purchases will cost \$69.00 to purchase. Bank and credit card company charges will cost approximately \$.50 per \$8:00 charge. A tablet will need to be purchased to operate the square.

Moved by Bill, Seconded by George to purchase a square and tablet.
Carried.

Most funds have been transferred to our new account at KCCU. A small sum remains at TD to handle outstanding cheques and one GIC will remain until it matures when it will be moved. All new cheques will be issued from new account with new signing authorities.

We should probably purchase a new GIC at KCCU, to be discussed at next meeting with other financial matters.

Report Moved by George, Seconded by Suzanne, Carried

-Club Manager

Future special games have been posted to the web site, omitting those games which occur on days we don't normally schedule.

\$5.00 table fee for all online games including specials confirmed.

Kathy will hold a meeting with people involved in registration at the tournament to ensure it goes smoother than previously.

Club policy is that robots will be allowed in online games only for members of KDBC.

Moving games from F2F to online due to weather is a good policy, members need to be notified by email.

Report Moved by Suzanne, Seconded by George, Carried

-Education

Greg's after-game question periods are on a day-to-day basis.

Carol is dealing Monday and Tuesday boards and Julie is dealing Wednesday and Friday boards, Gaylia and Keith are backups/assistants as required. This system is working well.

Report Moved by Gaylia, Seconded by Anne, Carried

-I/N

Boot Camp is starting January 19 with Bill in attendance to respond to members bridge questions. At that time the future schedule will be discussed.

First mentor game of 2024 coming up on January 22.

Report Moved by Suzanne, Seconded by Anne, Carried.

-Chief Director

Nothing new to report at this time.

5. Membership

The perks/penalties surrounding club membership will be discussed at the next meeting.

6. Kingston Regional

Terry's proposed contract was reviewed. It appears to be much the same contract that was approved by a previous Executive for a previous Regional. Motion by Bill to accept and sign the contract, Seconded by Suzanne, 6 for and 2 abstentions,
Motion Carried.

7. Items Approved by Email

Boot camp, see above.

8. Inventory

We are renting a large unit storing much equipment we may never use again. We have a lot of property stored in individual homes. We need to do an assessment and reduce our footprint. Discuss further at next meeting.

9. Vacancies on the Board

Nothing can be done with any confidence until Kathy clarifies her intentions and needs. To be discussed at next meeting.

10. Date for next meeting

Next meeting February 8, 2024 at 15:00 on Zoom

11. Adjournment

Moved by George, Seconded by Suzanne, Carried.



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TREASURER'S REPORT for the month of December 2023

December showed a profit for the month but a year to date loss of \$1,333. December games compared to the same month last year:

December	2023	2022
Online Games	24	26
F2F Games	11	4
Total Games	35	30
Online Tables	227	251
F2F Tables	115	31
Total Tables	342	282
Total Game Revenue	\$6,544	\$3,879
Exchange Rate	1.35	1.34
Net Profit <Loss>	\$496	\$315

Unusual Items in December:

Christmas Party – net proceeds of \$256; statement is attached

Bridge Lessons expense \$704
 Includes cost of rent at Seniors Centre for Oct, Nov and Dec
 Rate is \$40.80 for 2 hours plus \$10 set up fee each day.

Submitted by Anne Herfst, Treasurer
 21 Jan 2024

**KDBC Christmas Party
16 Dec 2023
at Edith Rankin Church**

Revenue

Lunch	65 @ \$25	1,625.00	
Lunch	3 @ \$30	90.00	
Game fees		<u>525.64</u>	2,240.64

Expenses

Lunch by Ramekins	1,365.00	
Desserts by S. Forbes	210.00	
Coffee	24.00	
Coffee supplies, Eggnog	27.96	
Rent at Edith Rankin	150.00	
STaC Fees for 19.5 Tables	<u>207.09</u>	1,984.05

Net Proceeds	<u><u>256.59</u></u>
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I/N Report for KDBC Meeting Jan 11/24

1. I/N Mentor Game: Mon Jan 22 – The first I/N Mentor Game of 2024 will be held on Monday Jan 22. Jock will direct and lead the 15 min Chalk Talk. I will be canvassing the 99er's plus any attendees from the Lessons for new Mentees.
2. Boot Camp Update – Introducing the first session of the “KDBC Boot Camp”!! A new initiative that may or may not have legs!! We will see! First meeting will be held in the Westen Games Room (thanks to Gaylia) at 10am-11:30am on Friday Jan 19. Participants will email questions/problems/difficult hands etc to Suzanne and a guest “Bridge Doctor” will answer/address the issues that are presenting problems. Following that discussion, we hope to play 4 supervised boards. Bill Mitchell will be our first Bridge Doctor! I have also cornered Joch and Chris Caswell to be future Bridge Docs!! Going forward, future location/time/dates will be discussed on Jan 19. Boot Camp is open to any KDBC Intermediate/Novice player who wishes to take their game to another level.
I have been in touch with Bob Bray at Conservatory Pond, and KDBC Boot Camp is welcome to meet there with many options for time and day.
3. 99er Game - With Terry and Gaylia's initiative, the KDBC 99er Game is off to a great start! I am wondering if we can ask them if they are ready to play a full game of 24 boards? Also, a small point...they are not around at the end of the Open Game to approach Greg with questions. I wonder if Greg would be onhand before each Wed game, and after, to chat with the 99ers??

Submitted Wed Jan 10/24 by Suzanne Ryan

2024 01 11 Education Report

Lessons resumed on Saturday and was well attended with 14 people. I've had to replace Doris as a teacher for one of the lessons. Margo is going to teach in her place.

Greg McKellar has volunteered to help out at the club so starting on Wednesday ,he will stay after the game ,and I'm going to limit it to 15 minutes to start with ,so anyone that's played that day and has had problems with a hand either bidding or playing can go and see him . I'll call it go to Greg's corner and he will advise. I think this is a wonderful opportunity for any player, especially the I/N to get help from someone such as Greg, who is certainly one of our top players in the club.

Suzanne is starting a group which I believe is called Boot Camp and they will be coming here to the Westen where I live on Friday the 19th from 10 o'clock to 1130. I will be at the front door to let them in from 9:50 until 10 o'clock. Bill Mitchell is coming and he will assist anyone who has a problem with bidding or playing a hand. They will bring that problem hand with them.

With these three sources of learning available to anyone at the club, especially the I /N people, I think it should really help that group to take their game up to another level .I hope all of them do take advantage of these three opportunities to learn and grow.

Gaylia Ohlman

2024 01 11 - Club Manager Report

Upcoming Special Dates:

Jan 15 - 21	Online Silver Linings Week on BBO
Fri Jan 19	F2F ACBL-Wide Junior Fund Game #1 extra Black points - \$10 - Registered
Jan 26 - 28	KDBC Local Sectional Tournament - Save your seat now!
Jan 28 – Feb 3	Online Junior Fund 2X Black
Feb 4 – 10	Online NABC Toronto Fundraiser 2X Black
Fri Feb 9	F2F Valentine's Pop-Up Game 50% Red
Sun Feb 11	Online Valentine's Pop-Up Game 50% Red
Feb 12 - 18	F2F CBF Canada Wide STaC F2F - Silver Points! - \$10
Feb 12 – 18	Online Education Foundation 2X Black
Feb 19 - 25	F2F D1 STaC F2F - Silver Points! - \$10
Sun Mar 3	Online Daylight Savings Pop Up 50% Red
Mon Mar 11	ACBL Wide Senior Pairs - \$10 - Registered
Mar 25 – 31	D1 STaC – Silver Points - \$10
Wed Apr 24	ACBL Wide Charity Game #2 - \$10 - Registered
Wed Jun 5	Olympiad Fund Game #1 - \$10 - Registered

I am assuming that we don't want to register for these:

- ACBL Wide International Fund Game #1 is on a Saturday Afternoon (Feb 17)
- ACBL Wide charity Game #1 is on a Tue Afternoon (Mar 26)

Online Pricing

Last Board decided to charge \$5 for all online games, regardless of type or points? Should I assume that we will continue this?

Weather Cancellations – moving games to online – Is this ok? Yes

Local Sectional

7 teams registered so far – 1 from Montreal and 1 from Ottawa

Open sessions have 4 – 6 pairs so far

Only 1 99er pair and no 299ers so far

Marlene says everything is going well. Nothing to report.

Kathy/Anne will organize a meeting to discuss Registration Desk process with Don.

Robots

Membership list and how do we handle