

MINUTES OF THE LAKE CHAPALA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING DECEMBER 7, 2021

There being a quorum present at 11:00 am, President Louise Morel called the meeting to order.

Lew Crippen moved to approve the minutes of December 1, 2020. Seconded by Bernita Cooper. Motion passed.

President's Comments

After playing online for more than a year, the club is finally open for face-to-face bridge. Proof of vaccination is required.

We will have a small Christmas party at the club on Dec 17 and 21. Membership will be collected for 2022 at the same price of 200 pesos.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Unfortunately, we suddenly lost our treasurer; John Betz has returned to Canada for health reasons. Donnie Van Rooy has temporarily taken over.

Total assets as of Oct 31, 2021 YTD are \$403,628.26 pesos, which is \$42,246.17 less than last year at this time.

We did well with BBO games during most of the pandemic but online game participation declined considerably in the last few months before the club reopened. Attendance at the club has been minimal and we are losing, on average, at least \$12,000 a month.

Membership fees of \$200 were not collected in 2021, but will be in 2022.

Lew Crippen moved to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by Helen Lawson. Motion passed.

ELECTION

Positions open were treasurer, vice president and facilities manager.

The candidate for vice president is Frank (Sonny) Colvett.

The president asked if there was anyone else who would like to put their name forward.

As there was no one, by acclamation, Frank Colvett was declared the vice president.

The candidate for treasurer is Donnie Van Rooy.

The president asked if there was anyone else who would like to put their name forward.

As there was no one, by acclamation, Donnie Van Rooy was declared treasurer.

The candidate for facilities manager is John Gray.

The president asked if there was anyone else who would like to put their name forward.

As there was no one, by acclamation, John Gray was declared the facilities manager.

Nicci Beninger was appointed and ratified by a 100% vote to continue as the ethics committee chair.

OTHER BUSINESS

Peter Luciano asked about how people find us. Louise Morel replied that there have been adds in the paper for lessons and play. But we have lost a whole year and are behind in fostering new players.

Lew Crippen made a motion to amend the by-laws so that persons living here less than 6 months can be candidates for the management committee.

Seconded by Ray Hickey.

A committee to review the by-laws will be set up, headed by Lane Galloway, assisted by Ray Hickey and John Gray. They will report to the management committee at the January meeting.

Discussion was held on concerns about the future of the club. Several good ideas were given.

Lane Galloway nominated Liz Naidoff to head a committee for community outreach and she accepted.

The president thanked the directors who saw us through the pandemic, Lane Galloway for his work setting up the BBO games and keeping the members informed with his weekly newsletters, Janet Mitchell for taking over the 299er group, Catherine Gonzales for organizing the Wednesday supervised play, and this year's management committee. A special thanks to Bill Heim for keeping our facility in top shape while the club was closed.

Lane Galloway moved to adjourn the meeting.
Seconded by Liz Naidoff.