

Lee County Bridge Association

MINUTES

September 18, 2026

PRESENT: Maggie Mahland, Rita Artwohl, Susie Rohrbaugh, Ellie Nuellen, Anne Runyan, Linda McLaughlin

MOTION: (Artwohl/Rohrbaugh) Move to accept the July and August Treasurer's Reports. **PASSED**

MOTION: (Artwohl/Rohrbaugh) Move to accept the Minutes of July 17, 2026.
PASSED

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Maggie Mahland thanked Rita Artwohl for her ten+ years of service to the LCBA in various positions and duties, especially Sunshine where she has recognized birthdays, sickness and other significant times in members' lives. Rita will be missed. Linda and Susie will run the Halloween Party which will be held on 10/30/26. Three (3) free games will be awarded for the best costumes (decision determined by vote of the members present). Linda and Susie will assemble and distribute the candy bags.

RANKING PLAYERS: Sharon Pierce explained the weighting and ranking of players for an ACBL sanctioned game. The total points of a player pair is averaged to determine the **A, B** or **C** rank given. C = under 1,000 points B = under 3,000 points A = above 3,000 points Adjustments are made depending on attendance.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: Richard Greene will be donating money to the membership to pay for our Christmas Party luncheon. We recognize and thank Richard for his generosity. (Richard also brings in lots of bags of candy for us to snack on throughout the year.) It was decided that Rita will purchase 200 LCBA bridge calendars (red, blue and orange) to be given out to the membership at the Christmas Party which will be held on December 11, 2026. (Members who are not attending the Christmas party will still be able to get a calendar until supplies run out.) Linda will organize the lunch orders. Carol Suydam will pick up the soft drinks.

INSURANCE / LEASE: The Board decided to cut costs on the liability insurance policy the LCBA maintains for the Greek Church lease. The Chair of Greek Church Council will be coming to Maggie with the Council's recommendations for the lease which expires on October 31. If there are significant increases, the Board will vote to raise the game fees.

ELECTION COMMITTEE Gilda Reynolds and Lynn Harvey will serve as our Elections Committee. During October and up to November 15 they will be seeking out candidates

for the 2027-28 LCBA Board. Only Active Members are eligible to vote in our elections. (Sharon Pierce keeps a list of Active and Inactive Members.) If you are interested in running for the Board please speak with Gilda and Lynn to have your name included on the printed ballot.

BRIDGE LESSONS The Board has approved Linda King to give ten (10) two-hour bridge lessons in the 2/1 bridge convention. The class is open to all members. Starting in January 2027, Linda King will conduct classes on every Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. before our regularly scheduled bridge game January - mid March 2027. Teaching is a huge time commitment and her fee is \$150 per person which covers the cost of twenty hours of teaching, preparation, set-up and materials. Members who choose to attend will pay Linda King directly. It is the Board's understanding that Linda will do all her own set-up for these classes and will not require or need any assistance from the Club Manager, Sharon Pierce for her classes. Linda will reimburse the LCBA \$50 per student signed up (1/3 her instruction fee).

MOTION: (Artwohl/McLaughlin) Motion to approve Linda King a specific time, space and access to teach LCBA members on successive Wednesdays from January to March 20 from 9:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m. prior to the regularly scheduled bridge game.

PASSED

NEXT MEETING - October 27, 2026

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Runyan, Secretary Pro Tem
9/18/2026 LCBA Amended (MM)

MEETING ADJOURNED