Minutes of the Meeting of Mountnessing Bridge Club Members on 11/2/16

1 Chair's welcome

All members present (20) were welcomed by the Chair.

2 Apologies

There were no apologies for absence.

3 To agree the minutes of the General meeting held on 9/4/2015

Agreement of the minutes were proposed by Sheena Millins and seconded by Dorothy Cundy. Agreed unanimously,

4 Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

5 Chair's report

The Chair reported that there had been concerns about slow play. It was agreed by a majority vote, (not unanimously), that at the Director's discretion a board could be removed unplayed from a table where play had been slow.

6 Treasurer's report

The Treasurers report had been circulated a week previously. It was noted that there was a healthy surplus of c £1800 for 1/4/15 to 31/12/15, however the club lost over £100 in January and was expected to do poorly January to March. Catriona Lovett proposed agreement of the accounts, Phil Hitchins seconded and there was unanimous agreement.

7 To agree charges for the Membership Year starting on 1/4/2016. (Recommendation of no change)

Peter Oake proposed and Nick Hagan seconded the motion and the meeting agreed that there would be no change to Membership fees or table money in 2016.

8 Election of Officers.

The current officers were re-elected unanimously.

9 Election of other Committee Members

There were no further nominations for the Committee. The existing Committee Members agreed to continue.

10 Appointment of Internal Scrutineer for the Accounts.

It was noted that Roger Haywood had done the scrutinising the previous year, and assuming he was still able to it was agreed that he would be appointed for the current year.

11 View of the members on the current scoring system.

It was noted that the Jannerstein system currently in use cost only about ¼ the cost of the standard Bridgemate system (£500 compared to c £2000), but that there were licence problems. A new system was being trialled and was looking promising. The members agreed a vote of thanks to Alaric for his work on the scoring system.

12 Consideration of no table money charge for Director and partner.

It was agreed that the Director of the evening and his/her partner would not be required to pay table money.

13 Vote as to whether printed hand-sheets should be provided

It was pointed out that the replacement laptop would be in use by April and this would enable the results and hands to be downloaded to bridgewebs shortly after the end of play. The costs of the hand sheets would be c £60 pa. It was decided to continue the hand sheet prints to April and then the Committee would decide further action.

14 Any Other Business. To be submitted by 4/2/16.

There was no other business.

15 Bridge

The meeting closed and bridge commenced.