

Minutes of the Meeting of Mountnessing Bridge Club Members on 9/2/17

1 Chair's welcome

All members present were welcomed by the Chair.

2 Apologies

Peter Oake sent his apologies for absence.

3 To agree the minutes of the General meeting held on 11/2/16

Agreement of the minutes were proposed by Dorothy Cundy and seconded by George McGuffin. 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 and that seven and a half minutes per board should be more than adequate. It was noted that as agreed at the last meeting the Tournament Director was empowered to remove the second board from exceptionally slow tables.

6 Treasurer's report

The Treasurers report had been circulated a week previously. It was noted that there was a healthy balance of c £3416 although both membership and table numbers were slightly down over the year. The Hall charge had changed marginally (grossing up the nine months of the year preceding). Acceptance of the accounts were proposed by Margaret Rastin and seconded by Mike Harbour and passed with no dissent. Keith Nicholl was thanked for scrutinising the accounts.

7 To agree charges for the Membership Year starting on 1/4/2017. (Recommendation of no change)

No change in either membership fee or table money for the upcoming year was agreed unanimously.

8 Election of Officers.

The current officers were re-elected unanimously.

9 Election of other Committee Members

Sheena Millins wished to stand down as a committee member. Sandra Fenton agreed was elected in her place.

10 Appointment of Internal Scrutineer for the Accounts.

Keith Nicholl agreed to do this for 2017/18. Dorothy Cundy proposed and George McGuffin seconded the motion, and this was agreed unanimously.

11 Suggestion to Increase the Number of Printed Hand Sheets.

After some discussion it was accepted that the number of printed sheets currently produced (15) was sufficient.

12.1 Hall Heating Arrangements.

It was noted that the heating had been turned up. With a slightly different table layout it was hoped this would solve the problem.

12.2 Requirement for Established Pairs to have Completed Convention Cards.

It was determined that this was already a requirement and any rulings would be subject to Tournament Director's authority.

13 Bridge. (Commenced at 7.30 pm)