Naples Bridge Center Board Meeting October 15, 2024 / 4:22 pm. Bridge Center

Present: Davis; Gabriel; Gur; Hendrickson; Henry; Levine; Lewis; Loew; Schaengold; Selvin; Vega.

Schaengold called the meeting to order at 4:22p.m. Quorum established.

MINUTES

The minutes of July 9 BOG meeting were presented. Vega moved acceptance, Hendrickson seconded: motion carried.

New Members – Henry

There are 18 new members for the period 7/10/24 through 10/15/24.

OLD BUSINESS:

Club Operations Update – Lewis

Floors turned out very well.

Building weathered the two hurricanes very well.

Bridge Operations Update – Levine

Carol Booth is doing a good job as director and board maker.

Sectional Tournaments - Selvin/Hendrickson/Lewis

No Thursday night game in the November sectional.

Publicity for the NLM Regional in January will be made to local Country Clubs since this is an opportunity for their members to earn gold points.

May operate the Sunday game in the January Sectional as a Bracketed Swiss Teams since this offers more points than an Open Swiss Teams event.

NBC Lesson registration via website and Square Store – Gur

Switch over to new site will be made on October 18,

If members want to learn other member's email, they will have to access the club website through a password protected section. Password will be posted on the Bulletin Board.

Holiday Party – Schaengold/Lewis

It is likely that the Holiday party will be a sell-out.

A raffle will include an opportunity to partner Robert Todd on Feb 17 afternoon session.

NEW BUSINESS:

2024-25 Fund Raising Campaign – Davis

Reserves should be approximately 50% annual budget or ~ \$200,000. At present, the reserves are at \$71,000. A fund-raising campaign with a goal of \$50,000 from members will be launched in November. There is a possibility that a member will provide a matching opportunity to some of the other members contributions. Hurricane windows and handicap doors will be the highest priority for funding from the Reserve account in 2025.

NBC Policy for re-instatement following ACBL player disciplinary actions – Davis Levine will write a procedure.

2025 January BOGO for limited game – Davis

Following last year's success, BOGO will be offered January 6-11, 2025 for limited game play.

2025 February Robert Todd Program - Schaengold

Robert Todd has agreed to provide a morning class on February 17.

Longest Day October 31 Event – Lewis/Schaengold

Renee Bryant- Valvassori will assist with the lunch for the event.

Nominating Committee 2025 Board of Directors Election

Hendrickson will chair the Nominating Committee. Selvin and Vega will have completed their maximum consecutive years and are ineligible to serve in 2025. Gabriel has already received names of some interested members.

TREASURER REPORT - Davis

The September 2024 YTD Table Count displays a 2% increase in total tables from the same 9-month period last year. For September, table count was up 7%. We are slightly below budget. Reserves are at \$71,000, down significantly due to major repair projects.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ethics committee - Vega/Selvin

Note that when a player comes off probation, they still must behave because past actions are taken into account when deciding new punishments.

Levine requested ex-officio status on the Ethics committee.

Marketing committee – Open House recap - Loew

Only 9 potential new members showed up on Saturday and only 4 were a result of the marketing that cost \$1050 (\$500 funded by ACBL). 4 new members signed up and 2 signed for lessons. Tuesday session was canceled due to Hurricane Milton.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM. Next meeting will be Tuesday, November 12 at 4:30 PM.

Future meeting dates: December 10; January 7

Respectfully submitted, Ronald J Henry, Secretary