

**Naples Bridge Center Board Meeting
February 4, 2025
Bridge Center**

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

Schaengold called the meeting to order at 4:30p.m. Quorum established.

MINUTES

The minutes of January 7 BOG meeting were presented. Gabriel moved acceptance, Davis seconded; motion carried.

New Members – Henry

There are 38 new members for the period 1/05/25 through 2/03/25.

In addition, 771 members have renewed for 2025, including 148 who renewed through 2027, 36 through 2029, and 11 new life members.

Re-Election of Barry Davis to New 3-Year term

Ran unopposed and therefore re-elected.

Election of Board of Director's Officers

President – Ellen Gabriel

Vice President – Melanie Schaengold

Treasurer – Barry Davis

Secretary – Ron Henry

Comments from 3 members who attended meeting

They requested that the Board reconsider the termination of Nan Burford as a director. They thought the treatment was unduly harsh since she was still suffering from the loss of her husband. It was explained that there were long standing issues that preceded the passing of her spouse. Two years ago she received a letter from then-director Dave Legrow and issues have continued to occur. Burford is an independent contractor.

After the members left, the Board discussed the issue and reaffirmed the action taken.

OLD BUSINESS:

Club Operations Update – Lewis

The irrigation system failed and the pump is being repaired.

Quotes are being obtained for both hurricane windows and replacement A/C in the old building.

The flooring in the office was not laid correctly. A registered letter will be sent to the contractors requesting resolution since they have not responded to verbal requests.

A project to install automatic doors with handicap access was approved with a budget of \$10K. In addition, it provides for automatic locking/unlocking of all doors.

Bridge Operations Update – Levine

Jamie Carroll is a new director.

Levine will contact ACBL to request a Sectional Tournament in 2026. Dates requested are April 17-19 or April 24-26 or March 27-29.

Jan Sectional/ NLM Regional Tournament Spring 2025 – Davis

While the tournament was successful, holding it in January cuts into a high revenue month. It was decided not to pursue future tournaments in January, February or early March.

2025 February Robert Todd Program – Schaengold

There are approximately 60 people signed up for the program. This will adequately cover his fee of \$3,500. The teaching session will be held in the new room, and the lunch in the old room.

TREASURER REPORT – Davis

Year end financials in good shape. Numbers continue to grow.

NEW BUSINESS: Formation of committees - Gabriel

Gabriel assigned Loew to head up Ambassador program for new members -- Essentially a "welcome wagon" type role.

Hendrickson assigned to Special Events and Hospitality. It was agreed that we will do a cake for each holiday.

Schaengold and Lewis assigned to Building and Maintenance.

Gur and Selvin will work on web site update.

Dewey to Ethics

Gabriel to Education

In addition, we need to look for ways to get the future life masters involved.

Future meetings: March 11, April 8, May 13, July 8, September 9, October 14, November 11, and December 9.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Rich Loew and Ronald J Henry, Secretary

