

NIAGARA ON THE LAKE DUPLICATE BRIDGE CENTRE

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

JUNE 11, 2019

In attendance: Claude Tremblay, Muriel Tremblay, Nancy Jackson, David Cooper, Bob McGrath Abdul Kaderali , Heather Beckman, Lorraine Horton

Regrets: Helen McCallum

The meeting was called to order at 09:30. The previous minutes were approved as circulated.

Moved by Bob and Seconded by Lorraine.

Ethics and Conduct Report

Muriel gave an update, noting that Paul Cronin has agreed to chair our Ethics Committee. Muriel will approach five (5) members to be on the Committee.

Following some discussion it was agreed that it is too late to deal with two recent complaints arising from the same incident. It should have been dealt with at the time.

Directors' education was discussed. While there is a Unit education day on June 23rd that will include zero tolerance, it was generally agreed that NOTL should have a session for our directors to ensure that they are up to date and understand what the expectations are around zero tolerance.

There was some discussion around appropriate discipline in response to violations of zero tolerance. It was moved by Bob and seconded by Lorraine that a third infraction could lead to a three (3) month suspension, and that after two (2) logged incidents a letter would be issued. However, it was agreed that a formal policy should be developed. Bob agreed to do a draft policy and Lorraine agreed to assist.

REPORTS

Finance – Muriel pointed out that the May financials are down \$2900 and pointed to several operational reasons including a Stac game, 2 Unit Championship games and the introduction of the Monday game but the main reason is the Mac Computer which we purchased for \$2500 and now need to sell. It was agreed that Claude be mandated to negotiate the sale with a reserve. All things considered it was agreed that the May statement is not a concern.

Social – The BBQ is scheduled for July 9th. Arrangement have been made with the Lawn Bowling Association. Eighty tickets have been printed (thank you to Bob Barnim) and will be sold for \$10 for the social only. Tickets will go on sale on June 18th. It will be held in the Mori Room. We should come in under our \$1500 budget.

Nancy recommended that we purchase cloth table cloths which she agreed to store and maintain. It was agreed that she proceed to research cost within a \$300 budget.

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Newsletter – Heather reported that the newsletter is up and will be posted on Friday. There was agreement that the newsletter should reinforce zero tolerance.

Membership – Lorraine reported the latest count at 153 members. We need four new badges but she will not place an order until a few more are needed.

Supplies – Abdul reported that our milk supplies keep getting used up by others. He has created a box for our supplies which has our name on it. We are continuing coffee, courtesy of the directors, using the Keurig.

Club Manager – Nothing to report. All is well.

Web Master – David reported that Bridwebs has a new, larger servers and that crashes should be a thing of the past. He noted that directors are not always posting results.

Muriel referred to her email regarding our club loaning equipment to the Unit. The Unit has a tournament in November. It was agreed that we would loan our bridgemates to the Unit for the November Regional Tournament.

Other Business

The World Wide Tournament – It was pointed out that this tournament does not benefit us. Muriel moved that we no longer participate in this tournament. It was seconded by Heather. Carried.

Monday Bridge – We will continue and evaluate at our August meeting as previously agreed.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00. Moved by Nancy/Bob

The next meeting will be scheduled for July 12th at 14 Weatherstone Court at 9:30.