Board of Directors' Meeting – 2024, Feb 23rd at 9:30 am at the Omond Memorial Church

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:35 am

Present: Danielle Barry, Richard Guillemette, Jim Lamorie, Frank Turbach, Jan Wood and Julia Morton.

Absent with regrets: Andy Aitchison, Mary Lepkan , Giselle Lynch

2. Approval of minutes: the minutes of the meeting of Friday, Jan 12th, 2024 were presented and accepted
Moved by Frank Turbach Seconded by Danielle

Carried

3. Reports

- a. Treasurer: Danielle/Richard
 - i. The January, 2024 end-of-month bank balance was \$14,987.59 and the club showed a profit of \$1023.92. Total receipts for January were \$3,172.45 and total expenses were \$2,148.53. The full report is attached at Appendix 1
 - ii. Richard shared a tally total income per daily session, per month for 2023. It included a percentage of attendance per day and month. It also includes average and mean values. Unsurprisingly Swiss events produce the higher attendance and revenue.

b. Chief Director: Jim

Discussion re: fund raising, silent auction, special donation requests, etc

4. Suggestion Box: Andy

Several suggestions came in by emails and were discussed at length in new business.

5. Special Games and/or Closures for Mar/Apr

- a. closed March 29 Good Friday
- b. Monday group will be polled for April 1st (it will probably be a go.)

6. Old Business

- a. **AGM Date**: Previous agreed upon date is Wednesday June 19th. Format for the session is still up in the air.
- b. **City of North Bay Grant**: February 27th is decision day for receiving a grant from North Bay. Contacted North Bay Tourism for assistance. They require a logo for any advertising.

c. Sectional and Regional

- i. Sectional will be three days Friday to Sunday, April 26-28 with a session cost of \$13 per session
- ii. Regional will be four days Thursday to Sunday August 22-25. Suggested \$20 per session to be decided upon closer to date.
- iii. ACBL memberships will be required for both events. Need to encourage newer members to sign up.
- iv. An Organizational meeting is set for Wednesday March 6, 10 am Looking for committee chairs and helpers.
- d. New Director for Monday is confirmed Ray Lendt

- e. **Mother House or Voyager Hotel Options for location** Danielle reported that the Motherhouse does not do long term rentals. Nothing more was confirmed re the Voyager Hotel.
- f. **Two Toonie Thursday do we make it Three Toonie Thursday?** Decision agreed upon by members at the latest Thursday meeting was to settle on a new fee of \$5. This will start with the first Thursday in March.
- g. **Cleaner** now is Richard Guillemette. Invoice will be presented and paid end of the month. We are responsible from the top of the stairs to our room. Not responsible for main entrance or top washrooms. Richard has requested that Tuesday's players stack the chairs at end of session to facilitate cleaning of the floor.

7. New Business

- a. **Swiss Change to new format 8 is enough**. The board received an email laying out the format for handicapping teams called 'eight is enough'. Basically, players are assigned A, B, C designation at 3, 2, 1 points respectively. No Swiss team can have more than a total of 8 points. This restricts teams no more than 2 A players. Frank shared a list of presently active players as A, B and C's. While discussion seemed to be in favour of this possible change there was no definite resolution as to how and when to implement it.
- b. **Thursday game handicap as ACBL option**. Thursday's game is bringing in a nice cross section of players. Discussion was held about the positive nature of handicapping the teams so the beginner players get more ACBL points. This was positively approved and becomes the problem for the directors.
- h. Situational Ethics Director call at the table. This topic was raised from an email sent to the club chair. The email discussed the problem of how to politely deal with errors that players may unintentionally make. Consensus seemed to be that some players need more understanding than others and players will need to make appropriate accommodations.
- 8. Date of next meeting: 22nd March 2024 9:30 a.m.
- 9. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Julia Morton (Secretary)

Appendix 1

Treasurer's Report for the Board Meeting of 22 Feb 2024

Previous Bank Balance (31 Dec 2023)		13,963.67		
Deposits					
Table Fees - 23 Jan		1,868.45	0 4 7 0 4 5		
Table Fees - 05 Feb		1,304.00	3,172.45		
Withdrawals/Expenses					
#754 - Rent		2,000.00			
TD Bank (Photocopies)		30.00			
Cogeco		118.53	2,148.53		
Net Income for Period			1,023.92		
Current Balance			14,987.59		
GIC's	(1)	5,418.47			
		16,289.89	21,708.36		
Net Worth			36,695.95		
(1) This includes \$58.74 reinvested interest					
Notes					
Donations					
Director Fees		675.00			
Club Manager Fees		150.00			
Treasurer Fees		100.00			
Donation Box		53.95			
Members		50.00	1,028.95		
Other Income					
Book Sales		nil			
Name Badges		15.00			
Christmas Party Raffle		245.00	260.00		
Total Donations and Other Income	1,288.95				
Other Expenses					
Cleaning Services for Dec 2023 (Ryan)			162.50		

Appendix 2

Income and Expense Generated from Game Play/Table Fees Feb 2024

Event	Date	Tables	Table Rate	Total Due ACBL	Charity
Thursday AM Novice	2024-02-01	3	0.90	2.71	
Thursday Afternoon Open	2024-02-01	10	1.55	15.53	
Friday Afternoon Swiss	2024-02-02	6	1.55	9.32	24.00
Monday Afternoon 0-299	2024-02-05	6	1.55	9.32	
Tuesday Afternoon Swiss	2024-02-06	8	1.55	12.42	
Thursday AM Novice	2024-02-08	4	0.90	3.62	
Thursday Afternoon Open	2024-02-08	9-1/2	1.55	14.75	
Friday Afternoon Swiss	2024-02-09	7	1.55	10.87	28.00
Monday Afternoon 0-299	2024-02-12	7	1.55	10.87	
Tuesday Afternoon Swiss	2024-02-13	8	1.55	12.42	
Thursday AM Novice	2024-02-15	3-1/2	0.90	3.17	
Thursday Afternoon Open	2024-02-15	7	1.55	10.87	
Friday Afternoon Swiss	2024-02-16	7	1.55	10.87	28.00
Monday Afternoon 0-299	2024-02-19	6	1.55	9.32	
Tuesday Afternoon Swiss	2024-02-20	7	1.55	10.87	
Thursday AM Novice	2024-02-22	4	0.90	3.62	
Thursday Afternoon Open	2024-02-22	11-1/2	1.55	17.85	
Friday Afternoon Swiss	2024-02-23	6	1.55	9.32	24.00
Monday Afternoon 0-299	2024-02-26	7-1/2	1.55	11.64	
Tuesday Afternoon Swiss	2024-02-27	8	1.55	12.42	
Thursday AM Novice	2024-02-29	3	0.90	2.71	
Thursday Afternoon Open	2024-02-29	7-1/2	1.55	11.64	
Total (22) games		146-1/2		216.13	104.00
Income					
Table Fees (45-1/2 @ \$16.00/Table)			728.00		
Table Fees (17-1/2 @ \$24.00/Table)			420.00		
Table Fees (57-1/2 @ \$32.00/Table)			1840.00		
	36.00/Table)		936.00	3924.00	
Costs/Expenses			104.00		
Due to Charity Director Ecos (22@\$45.00/game)		104.00 945.00			
Director Fees (22@\$45.00/game) Director Fees (0@\$60.00/game)			945.00 nil		
ACBL fees	00/ 50/10/		216.13	1265.13	
Net from Games				2658.87	