

Northern Colorado Bridge Board Meeting

Date: July 8, 2025

Present: Lucille Steiner, Debe Nelson, Sondra Asa, Jill Barker, Douglas Watt, Chris Watson

Meeting called to order at around 4:05pm. The minutes from April were approved.

Purchases

- We agreed to pay the c. \$130 bill for the Summer Sectional trophy that Dawn has brought up to date. Thanks, Dawn!
- We agreed to spend c. \$500 for paper supplies for unit games and tournaments (signup sheets, bidding cards, etc.)
- We also agreed to spend about \$400 for a quality microphone/speaker system which Sondra researched and recommends. It will contain a "Harbinger" amplifier, a corded microphone and one speaker. It will probably be stored at the church. Thanks, Sondra!
- We will probably start/continue to rent the ice machine from the church instead of hauling ice from the grocery store.

June Sectional

- The summer sectional was considered successful. Turnout was probably slightly compromised because of Father's Day and a protest in Boulder during the weekend.
- We agreed to raise Cara-lyn Lappen's fee for directing and caddying to \$100, as originally promised.
- Doug will order a ½ sheet cake from Sam's to thank the unit for good hospitality during the sectional.

On-line Bridge Rebate

ACBL has offered our unit \$150 in rebates for on-line bridge play. We decided to split it evenly between the Estes Park, Fort Collins and Greeley clubs.

Newer Bridge Player Development ideas

- We agreed that mentoring tends to work better over multiple events
- We agreed that we should not try to make money off newer players
- We agreed that we should poll players for ideas for mentoring opportunities. Lucille will engage with this. Thanks, Lucille!

Falling Leaves NLM Sectional

- Saturday September 27th
- Robyn will probably be the director and partnership chair
- 750 MP limit (to increase potential field size)
- Lucille will submit a flier. Thanks, Lucille!

Website

We had a discussion about aspects of the website that are hard to use. We didn't come to any conclusions about needed changes.

Next Meeting

Tuesday September 23, 2025 @4pm.