Northwest Bridge Club Board of Directors Meeting September 21, 2022

The meeting was called to order by President Pamela Thaut at 10 am. Members present: Pamela Thaut, Sue Bush, Greg West, Donna DePesa, Rick Dunie, and George Harger. Absent: Don Taylor

Guests: Bob Hertzog and Kay Afdahl

Minutes of the April 29, 2022 meeting were approved.

Committee Reports:

Education: Bob Hertzog reported that the Play and Learn will return in mid-October. He said he is hoping to start a beginner class in November if there is enough interest. Pamela thanked Bob for getting the newer players involved with the club.

Operations: Rick said there had been a bug infestation but after some spraying with material used by the groomer facility next door the problem was solved.

Recruitment: Donna said that she is making an effort to welcome new players at every game and hopes the other board members do the same.

Financials: George reported that the club lost \$700 last month and \$4000 so far for the year. There is \$16,000 in the savings account and \$9000 in the checking account.

A motion was made and passed to raise the game fee from \$7 to \$8. There will be no additional fee on days where there are special games. The new fee will go into effect on October 1. The membership will be notified by email and new coupons will be printed. Meanwhile, players can use their \$7 coupons until Oct. 1 then add \$1 to the \$7 coupon after that until they have finished them and can buy the \$8 coupon.

He added that the debit cards for the club will be expiring in January and will need to be renewed. It was decided that George Harger and Joyce Honorof would have debit cards. Signature Authority shall be reduced from five to three that will include George Harger, Rick Dunie and Joe Olivier.

Old Business:

Vaccine Requirements: The board decided to poll the membership at each game to see how members felt about removing the requirement. A record of the voting will be kept so no one votes more than once.

Eight Is Enough Swiss Team Games: The point limit for these games will be 0-499 – 1, 500-2000- 2, 2001+ - 3.

New Business:

Nominating Committee: Sue and Greg will look for candidates to run for the 2023 board. There are three openings to be filled.

Monday 499er online game: Joyce Honorof wrote to the board saying that it has been difficult to get enough players for the Monday online game which Bonnie Hertzog directs. The board agreed that Joyce and Bonnie should make the decision to continue or cancel the game.

Coupon Sales: The board agreed to continue providing coupons to members who wish to purchase them. The \$8 amount should make it easier for the directors as five will be an even \$40.

Zero Tolerance Policy: Pamela said she would like a policy for the board to handle infractions of the zero tolerance policy. It was decided that the first step would be to talk to the person or persons involved in hopes that this solves the problem. The next step would be a letter from the board.

The next meeting will be held at the club on Wednesday, Nov. 2 at 10 am.

The meeting was adjourned at noon.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Bush, NW Board Secretary