

NW Tucson Bridge Club Board Meeting Minutes for December 16, 2024

Present: Pamela, Jim W, Jim V, Bob, JoAnn (by phone), Steve, Gayle, Kay, Joyce, Ron
Meeting was called to order at 4:32 pm
Minutes for November 4 were accepted with minor corrections.

Committee Reports:

Education (Bob)

1. The Tuesday Beginner II class is ongoing with 10 students.
2. A new Beginning Bridge I class will begin Thursday Jan 16 at 9 am. 4 students have been identified so far.
3. Marvelous Monday lectures are scheduled through December. The Education Committee will develop a new schedule of topics and presenters before January.

Directors (Kay)

1. More director help is needed especially for team games.
2. We discussed how to increase team game participation. This is part of a larger issue regarding open game participation as well. More discussion is required.

Operations

1. Changes will be made to improve the weekly clubhouse cleaning.
2. A year-end bonus of \$100 was approved for the current janitor.
3. Ron Gospodarek will assume supplies purchasing duties that require Costco shopping, such as soda, food, kitchen, cleaning supplies, etc. **Thank you, Ron!** Joyce will continue with supplies for the bridge game & equipment and office supplies.

Financial Report (Steve):

1. The current cash balance is sound at \$41.7k (\$16.3 mm, \$9.5 cash, \$15.9 CD).
2. Revenue vs expenses for the month of November reflects a net YTD income of \$6.8k.
3. The variance report (actuals vs budget) shows \$8.4 under plan, made up of \$4.7 under for table revenue and \$3.9 under for rent. As explained before, budgeted table revenue was unrealistically high and rent expense exceeded budget due to paving assessment.
4. Table count for the nine-month period in 2024 exceeds the same 2023 period by 263.5 tables.
5. **Summary:** Club financials, table counts, and budget performance are very sound. A new budget will be developed in 2025. Our fiscal year runs from March to February.

Old Business

1. **Election** is underway through Dec 20. The election will be certified soon after Dec 20 with phone calls to nominees and report to the Board.
2. **Saturday Dec 28** – Gayle will plan for catered food and is allowed up to \$600 budget. We will promote participation with FREE lunch and FREE table fees. We will promote early registration to allow for proper lunch planning. Jim W will send E-Blast very soon.
3. **Jan 1 game.** The board voted YES. This is a Wednesday.

New Business

1. Team Games 1Q25

- No team game on Sat Jan 11 due to Tucson Winter Sectional Jan 9 – 11
- Sat Jan 25 team game will be GNT
- Sat Feb 8 team game will be GNT
- Sat Feb 22 team game will be GNT
- Sat Mar 8 no team game
- Sat Mar 22 team game will be 8-is-enough

2. Other special games 1Q25

- Wed Jan 22 Mentor Game
- Tue Feb 25 – Sat Mar 1 is Tucson Winter Regional, club will close
- Wed Feb 19 Mentor Game (3rd Wednesday due to TWR)
- Wed Mar 26 Mentor Game

Next Board Meeting:

The next board meeting is planned for Mon Jan 6 at 4:30 (after game). This will be the transition meeting with 2024 and 2025 board members attending.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Wolf

Board Secretary