NW TUCSON BRIDGE CLUB
Board Meeting Minutes for October 7, 2026

Present: Jo Ann Aiken, Linda Brown, Cindy Coonce, George Harger, Bonnie Hertzog, Barbara Jensen, John Morris, Joe Olivier, Jim Wolf

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 am by President, Joe Olivier.

Minutes for September 9, 2026, were approved as written after discussion regarding table counts reported erroneously. The error will be explained in these minutes.

Treasurer Report (John Morris)

1. Account Reconciliation
   As of the close of business on September 30, 2026, both the Bank of Montreal Money Market Account (MMA) and Demand Deposit Account (DDA) have been reconciled.
2. Cash Position
   The club remains in a strong cash position, with total available funds of $53,902.21:
   • Money Market Account (MMA): $14,716.56
   • Demand Deposit Account (DDA): $4,185.65
   • CD1: $17,500.00
   • CD2: $17,500.00
3. John gave a positive report on revenue received from the current bridge classes being taught. Total club proceeds from all three classes is $1,088
4. John advised the Board that the sheet that game directors use to report game collections has been improved with input from game directors.
5. George reported that John Morris has received training on the preparation of the monthly Income Statement and Balance Sheet and that John understands it quite well.
6. Jan-June 2025 table count was incorrectly under-reported at the September Board meeting, resulting in an incorrect analysis. The reports are now corrected in the on-line treasurer's report. There is no significant increase in YTD table counts from 2025 to 2026.

Club Manager Report (Joyce Honorof per written report)

1. October:
   Trophies and prizes have been purchased for the Bob Hertzog Appreciation game.
   Joyce will update the calendar, once the Marvelous Monday topics and teachers are known.
   Joyce covered the Beginner I class for Al Spaet on October 1st and gave all students a $5 value FREE PLAY clearly marked for use in a Play & Learn game only, as one player attempted to use an earlier one for an $8 game.
2. November
   We are running the November 7 GTTG with NO food (per usual). Although it will be a $2.40/table vs. $1.15, we will make it a GNT Qualifier game to offer this opportunity during the eligibility period (Sept – Feb). Director in Charge is Kay Afdahl who agreed to above. Stratifications are set by ACBL. Open is OPEN/3000/750NLM; Limit must be 750NLM. It should be well attended. We will be closed for the Tanque Verde tournament (Nov 19-21) except Play & Learn. November P&L teachers will be posted on the calendar once they are established. On Sunday, November 15, we will run a StaC game with food by Joe Olivier and paid by the Unit.

3. Equipment
   Broken boards have been replaced and re-labeled with bar codes and numbers. Additionally, more P&L sets with boards from #1-12 have been made to accommodate up to 9 tables due to the rising attendance. No purchase was necessary because available extra boards were used. Joyce would like to hear from any player who notices a broken board, with color and board number so she can find it to be replaced.

Education (Bonnie Hertzog)

1. Participation in the Tuesday Advancing Beginner II class is good; Jack Wholey reported 16 students on October 6th. These Tuesday classes continue through October 27th.

2. Starting on Thursday October 29th and continuing for 10 sessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays, the class on Declarer Play with the book by Eddie Kantar and taught by Joe Olivier is scheduled and has remarkable interest per the signup sheet at the club.

3. Bonnie suggested and the Board agreed that the Marvelous Monday lessons will begin on Monday, November 2 mainly because so much is going on in October. Bonnie's expectation is for 3 lessons a month would be appropriate for beginners and advancing beginners and that one lesson per month would be appropriate for our experienced players as well as beginners. A calendar for this program is in the works.

Nominations/Election (Jim Wolf)

1. Jim presented a proposed election cycle for the 2027 Board. These key dates were approved:
   >Announce self-nomination period (first three weeks in November) in the November newsletter, published on October 29.
   >Announce candidates and election dates (December 7-11) in the December newsletter to be published November 29.
   >Conduct paper ballot election at the clubhouse from December 7 through December 11.

2. Confirmed that Joe Olivier's and Jim Wolf's terms will expire in 2026; Cindy Coonce will self-nominate for the 2027-2028 term; Stewert Dresch has confirmed he will self-nominate for the 2027-2028 term. This leaves one board position open, which will be filled by vote or acclamation in December.

Club History, Board Committees and Positions, etc. (Linda Brown)

1. Linda presented three of five proposed sections of a revised document for review. Board members have reviewed the sections presented and expressed general approval. Two additional sections remain to be completed. The revised document will return to the Board for review in November.

2. JoAnn and Joe noted that the Board already has a process for addressing general member conduct concerns, although the process has not previously been documented. When a concern is brought to the Board, the Board may form an ad hoc committee consisting of one or more Directors or members to speak with those involved and report back to the Board. Linda will incorporate this process into the next revision of the document.

3. The Board agreed that, once approved, Board minutes will be maintained online on the club website as the Club's official minutes record. Going forward, minutes will be posted only after Board approval.

4. Linda observed that the Recognition and Welcome Committee does not function as a single entity. The Board approved Linda Brown as Chair of the Recognition and Welcome Committee. Barbara Jensen agreed to assist with the committee's work. Rosy Bezowsky, Linda Langer, and Jim Wolf will continue to assist with recognition and welcoming activities.
5. Decisions remain to be finalized on how to fill the Marketing Committee and the Legal Advisor position.

New Business (Barbara Jensen)

1. The Board discussed the issue of late arrivals. An occasional “tip of the day” was suggested as one way to remind members about timely arrival and other game procedures.
2. The Board discussed concerns about noise levels in the playing area. Members should be encouraged to notify the director when excessive noise occurs so the director can address the issue at the table involved.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:39 am.

Next Board Meetings:
October – meet on November 4

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Wolf
Board Secretary