

# OXFORD BRIDGE CLUB



## **Chairman's Summary** **Trustee Meeting held on 8th June 2021 at 7.00 pm** *(by video conference)*

**Attendees:** Julie Anderson (JA), Mary Bennett (MB), Steven Bliss (SB), Steph Bliss (SJB), Ursula Bowler (UB) Minutes, Sue Burge (SMB) Chair, Sandra Devaney (SD), Susan Fletcher (SF), Liza Furnival (LF), Richard Sills (RS).

### **Committees' Reports**

*Education:* All is going well with 3<sup>rd</sup> term progressing, Learn & Play & the Saturday Seminars. The ongoing uncertainty about re-opening is unsettling in relation to future planning.

*Conduct:* It has been decided to retain notes of complaints while those involved are still members. Once the individual(s) leaves the club records will be destroyed.

*Premises:* Nothing to report. JA is looking for a new house officer to be appointed prior to the club re-opening. New cleaners are also required.

*Bridge:* Two people have offered to help LF who is going to talk to them about what is involved.

*Communications and marketing:* The search for a communications officer continues, SF will ask teachers to find out if any of their students have social media skills and would be prepared to help.

### **Finance report**

Peter Stevenson is happy with the accounts but has asked for a few minor changes. SB talked through the accounts - everything is running smoothly.

### **Education**

SF has consulted with all members of the Education Committee to obtain their views on the future payment schedule- views were mixed. The trustees agreed to continue the current arrangements but the relative value of some payments may decrease in the future. The viability of the Practice Hands was discussed as attendance has been low. Education will consider rebranding these sessions but the situation will be kept under review and if insufficient attendance, these sessions should not continue.

### **Face to face bridge**

JA reported on the outcome of discussions by the working party that had met to consider the return to the club. The situation is fluid. We are still dependant on government advice and would not want a return if members were expected to wear masks. The idea of screens was rejected -some evidence suggests screens may restrict circulation of air, they are costly and we have nowhere to store them. Investigations are ongoing to cost opening roof windows and converting the window behind the scorer to a door. The county might be able to help with the cost. LF confirmed there are enough scorers (16) and directors (12) to facilitate a return. It was agreed that the views of members should be sought.

**Risk Register**

This will be uploaded to the website after minor corrections.

**Preparation for the AGM - 21st July 2021 at 6.00 pm:**

Committee membership was discussed.

**AOB**

AV equipment - a member of the club has emailed to ask that the trustees consider investing funds to ensure the AV equipment reaches its full potential. Under the current circumstance this will be delayed for a year.

Infrastructure - RS highlighted items within the terms of reference for the infrastructure committee that have not been allocated to another committee. SF agreed that the education committee will include care of the projector and screens under their remit.

**Date of next meetings:**

AGM Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July at 6.00 & next trustee meeting Friday 13<sup>th</sup> August at 3.00 pm.