

SEAFORD BRIDGE CLUB

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on Friday 22nd July 2022 at 59 Sutton Drove, Seaford

Present: Pam Pelling (Chair), Leslie Fowle, John Gillespie, Jean Judson, Ruth Skinner and John Hughes

1. Apologies for Absence

Received from: Francoise Basden-Smith

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the committee meeting held on 22nd April 2022 were agreed and signed.

3. Matters Arising

(i) Amendment to the constitution

Agreed:

To defer this item and Pam to recommend possible amendments

(ii) EBU Promotional Material

Reported:

These had been distributed around the town. One enquiry had been received.

(iii) New Bidding Box Cards

Reported:

These had been procured as agreed and were now in use.

(iv) Amendments to Membership Form

Noted: Jean had amended the form to include EBU Number and BBO Name

4. Correspondence

There was no correspondence to consider.

5. Treasurer's Report

Reported:

(i) A bank balance of £5699.16 of which £1093 was due to members in respect of BBO rebates and £735 due to be paid for hall hire leaving an approximate balance of £3871 at the Club's disposal.

Noted:

Overall the Club was running at a small operational loss.

6. Membership Report

Noted:

(i) The following membership applications were considered and approved:

Paul and Mandy Gard, Anne Cowell and (in anticipation of making a third guest appearance) Veronica Drake.

(ii) Paul Gard's EBU number is 527524 and Mandy Gard's number is 527522.

(iii) The Club now has 99 members.

7. Welfare Report

Noted:

There was nothing to report.

Agreed:

(i) Ruth to contact Betty Sharp to see how she is faring.

(ii) Members only to be sent cards if they are hospitalised.

8. Cashless Bridge

Agreed:

(i) Not to move to Cashless Bridge until all of the existing vouchers had been used.

(ii) To encourage members, via the Newsletter, to use bank transfer or cheque when paying for vouchers.

9. Setting up the Bridge Room

Agreed:

In future to just set up the bridge tables leaving members to set up the chairs, cloths and bidding boxes.

10. Future at St Thomas More Hall

Reported:

It is possible that STM Hall may in the future be sold for building development however this was unlikely to happen before five years and may not happen at all.

Agreed:

Not to share this information, at this stage, with the wider membership.

11. Dealt Bridge Hand Records

Reported:

On two recent occasions a bridge hand had been corrupted and no correct record of the hand had been available

Agreed:

(i) A phone record of the hands would, where possible, be brought to each playing session.

(ii) A record of the hands would be emailed to the club's generic email address.

12. Any Other Business

Agreed:

(i) The 2022 Christmas Party will be held at STM Hall on Wednesday December 21st.

(ii) The 2023 AGM will be held at STM Hall Monday January 16th at 1.00.

13. Date of Next Meeting

Friday November 11th (14.00) at John Hughes' house.

