

St. Petersburg Bridge Club  
Board Meeting Minutes  
March 25, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Joanne Wharton at 4:15 p.m.

Board members attending: Bill Condoluci, Ralph Fortson, Lydia Jacobs, Linda Kneeburg, Anne Person, Lee Taylor, John Wharton, and Judy Zebos. Also attending: Charles Gill, Club Manager and Carol Garnett.

Board members not in attendance: Sandy Adams and Phil Nolen.

1. On a motion by John, and second by Lydia, the minutes of the February 25, 2019 meeting were approved as presented.
2. Financial Review  
John reported total cash is about half as compared to 2018. However, the debt has been reduced from approximately \$385,000 to \$316,000.  
February has slightly more income than in 2018. However, January through February totals are slightly down.
3. Resignation and Replacement  
Adrienne submitted, and Joanne accepted, her resignation from the board. She will continue to maintain the Club Membership until fall of 2019. Bill moved and Lydia seconded a motion to ask Kathy O'Connell to fulfill the remainder of Adrienne's term. The motion carried. Joanne will ask Kathy to serve on the board.
4. Club Manager's Report
  - a. Club Statistics – February was down, due to the timing of the Margret Sectional Tournament this year. The tournament was successful. March is doing well.
  - b. April Calendar – distributed and revised.
  - c. Teaching status – distributed.
  - d. John Rayner Seminar – March 28. Very few have signed up.
  - e. Interclub Challenge – April 7.
  - f. Calendar for 2019 – distributed.
  - g. Kentucky Derby Party – May 4. Lee and Anne to coordinate.
5. Old Business
  - a. Bridge Reference Decks – Sales going well.
  - b. Membership – Dar Webb has suggested investigating changes to be implemented in the Membership process. She will assume the responsibilities of Membership from Adrienne in the fall of 2019 continuing through 2020. Will need to identify someone to train with Dar with the objective of taking over after 2020.
  - c. Collection of Delinquent Dues – discussed. Lydia and Anne are working through the delinquent list.
  - d. Hospitality – Interclub Challenge, Sunday, April 7 and Pro-Am Game, Saturday, April 13.
  - e. Tournament Committee – Charles to coordinate.
  - f. Procedures Manual – No discussion.

- g. Use of Robots – Charlie has distributed the procedure. It appears to be doable. Testing to begin shortly.
  - h. Back-up for Treasurer – Ralph has offered and is being trained to be the back-up.
  - i. Teaching room -- \$2677 was raised for the tables and door. Black tables will be ordered for approximately \$900. No decision was reached on doors.
6. New Business
- a. Objectives for 2019 – No discussion.
  - b. Eight is Enough – In addition to the regular night game, a monthly 12:30 Thursday game will be tested, starting April 11. A seminar will be given on team game strategy and scoring prior to the game, at 11:30.
  - c. Seminars – On Wednesdays in April, mini-presentations will be given from 12:15-12:30. The first two Wednesdays will be “Miss Manners”, other topics to be determined, perhaps on the awarding of points and stratification.
  - d. New section – Consideration will be given to adding an additional section to the Monday, Wednesday, Friday games. Anticipated as 0 – 299, 0 – 750, and Open.
  - e. Artwork – discussed.
7. Other
- a. Random Thoughts on Bridge – Included in the board packet. To be discussed at the next meeting.
  - b. Charles suggested we make better use of Social Media to promote the Club.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Anne Person, Secretary