Westside Duplicate Bridge Club Meeting July 25, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 3:38 p.m. In attendance: Marty Kelly, Judy Cass, Elaine Hansen-Hill, Mary Ann McKenzie and Bill Holland. Absent: Diane Christianson

Moved by Bill Holland and seconded by Elaine Hansen-Hill that the minutes of May 9, 2024 be approved as submitted. Motion carried.

Mary Ann McKenzie reviewed our financial records up to June 30th, 2024. At this time our losses compared to last year are less. Revenue is down one-third compared to last year but our rent and ACBL fees are also down. ACBL has also reimbursed us due to our lower revenue. Hospitality costs continue as we provide coffee and cookies, and we appreciate members providing snacks as well. Discussion.

Mary Ann also pointed out that we have been recording our annual membership fees in the prior fiscal year and it should be changed to be more accurate. Agreed by all Board members.

Elaine Hansen-Hill moved the financial report be accepted as submitted. Seconded by Bill Holland. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Marty Kelly updated the Board on returning to the Lion's Hall in the fall. Our arrangements will stay in place when we return on September 2, 2024. Same room, same time, same price. There has been some indication that we may not have to move again if the Boys and Girls Club build their own space but that remains unconfirmed.

Peachland Bridge - their group remains inactive. All 10 bridgemates "on loan" have been returned to our club in good condition.

"Meet and Greet" - Tabled for future discussion.

New Business:

Elaine Hansen-Hill presented a proposal from the ACBL that our club host a STAC game for players interested in silver points instead of black points. The game costs players more and the club must pay to host the game. Last year the fee was \$72.00. She noted that our players can easily find a STAC game in Kelowna if they are interested. Discussion.

Moved by Judy Cass and seconded by Mary Ann McKenzie that we decline the invitation at this time due to the low numbers we are experiencing. Motion passed.

Marianne Whitehead might be interested in pursuing accreditation as a Director. Lynda Marshall has already offered to mentor anyone interested. Moved by Marty Kelly and seconded by Judy Cass that the Club pay the fees for anyone taking the Director Course. Discussion. Noted by members this adds value to our club and supports facilitating games and growth.

Marty Kelly reported our membership is 28 and felt we are holding steady.

As there was no further business, moved by Bill Holland and seconded by Judy Cass we adjourn at 4:04 pm. Motion carried.

Addendum: motion regarding payment of Director's course passed by email vote (as allowed in our constitution)