Westside Duplicate Bridge Club Minutes - November 30, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 3:40 p.m. by President Marty Kelly with the following board members in attendance: Marty Kelly, Judy Cass, Diane Christianson, Bill Holland, Mary Ann McKenzie and Elaine Hansen-Hill.

The president asked the minutes of November 16, 2023 be approved as submitted. So moved by Diane Christianson and seconded by Elaine Hansen-Hill. Motion carried.

The President welcomed new and returning members to the board. Judy Cass, Bill Holland, Elaine Hansen-Hill and Diane Christianson volunteered to remain in their positions. Moved by Bill Holland and seconded by Elaine Hansen-Hill that Marty Kelly be elected President and Mary Ann McKenzie be elected Treasurer. Motion carried.

Marty Kelly explained we would be changing our signing authority at the bank, including the removal of Dave Taylor's name and the cancellation of the bank card he used for the Club. Due to various vacation plans by board members, she moved we add Elaine Hansen-Hill and Mary Ann McKenzie to our present authorizations. Seconded by Bill Holland. Motion carried.

Marty Kelly will arrange a meeting with the bank to confirm our new Board authorizations and ask about a deposit book.

Elaine Hanson-Hill asked for clarification regarding payment of ACBL fees as our current Tuesday game is struggling. Discussion. Moved by Elaine Hansen-Hill and seconded by Diane Christianson that we wait until the New Year when we will make a decision about continuing Tuesday games. Motion carried.

Accounting system - As our current system is outdated, Mary Ann McKenzie offered to investigate free programs that may suit our needs. She also suggested our accounting system be installed on our Club computer as a back-up to the reports the treasurer keeps at home. Our financial records could also be put on a flash drive for safe-keeping. Mary Ann will discuss this with Ashok Sil and report to the Board.

While Mary Ann is absent in January, Marty offered to collect the financial information.

Elaine Hansen-Hill informed the board we have a substitute director once Lynda has left on vacation. Discussion: collecting game fees, Lynda's keys and board preparation while Lynda is away. Leslie Sil will continue to collect Thursday game fees.

Elaine Hansen-Hill asked whether or not we should change the wording that is currently in the program guide. It states there is "drop-in" bridge on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Discussion: should we continue Tuesday games in the new year with such low attendance? Bill Holland

offered to contact the Peachland group to see if they will be ready to attend any Tuesday games starting in January. Further discussion tabled until Bill reports.

As there was no further business, it was moved by Elaine Hansen-Hill and seconded by Diane Christianson that the meeting adjourn at 4:35 p.m. Motion carried.