

## DCBA MINUTES – June 5, 2023

Present: Joanna Auguliaro, Neal Christensen, Ceil Collopy, Melinda Dahlman, Roger Eddy, Alan Gamble, Bill Maine, Kara McKenna, Ann Mercer, Tamar Odell, Jack Parry, Donna Reichner

Call to Order – Jack Parry: The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM

Minutes – Ceil Collopy: The minutes from 3/20/2023 were changed to say that cards were sent to Marian Wise and the wife of Stan Israel. The minutes were accepted.

Treasurer's Report – Tamar Odell: Total \$ 19,734.03. The income continues to outpace the expenses.

Membership Report – Alan Gamble: Membership has dwindled to 147 members. Alan reviewed members who are in danger of losing their membership status.

Publicity Report – Roger Eddy: Roger is taking care of publicity and he has sent information regarding STAC and Silver Saturday.

Sunshine Report – Melinda Dahlman: Melinda sent cards to Roger Eddy and Jerry Baker. Melinda will send cards to others as needed and she asked we let her know if someone should receive a card.

Charity Report – Ann Mercer: It was Grass Roots Month. \$144 to food pantry. Bill moved that we round the \$144 to 150 for the food pantry.

Bill Moved to accept the reports ; Joanna seconded. All in agreement.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Sectional Report - Ceil sent a digital copy of the report to Board Members. We earned about \$800. The director gave us suggestions for new strata for next year's sectional. Ceil did not include that information, but will add it and present it at the next meeting.

Classes - Neal has run two series of lessons. He will begin a new series of lessons June 11. He starts out with about 20 students and it drops to 8-10 by the end. Currently he runs a game on the first Wednesday of the month for students with less than 50 points. Ceil and Roger will publicize that game. In the future, Neal would like to have a regular shuffle and play game every Wednesday. The game would be separate from his lessons, but it would be an effort to keep the new players involved in Bridge.

The Thursday night game is still getting 3 tables. Gail would like us to pay additional rent. Bill moved we pay \$50 per month to cover the expenses of using the building Thursday night; Ceil seconded. All were in favor

Mentoring - John Kinn has volunteered to be a mentor.

District 3 - Bill Maine: \$36,000 in the bank. The Regional starts Sunday in Fairfield NJ at the Double Tree Hotel. D3 is looking to make a profit this year.

D3 is offering free card tables at this Regional. The tables are not in great shape.

A member needs to contact Julie Cohan if they would like a free table.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Club Manager Handbook - Jack Parry: There was a discussion about player behavior and how to improve it. Jack discussed the possibility of buying yellow cards that serve as a warning if someone is upset with another player's behavior. Alan noted it is important that people know they should call the director if someone is causing them concern. Bill noted that we should send a letter to a player that has frequent offenses. Ceil will create a poster that lets everyone know to notify the director about problems. We decided to investigate buying the yellow cards, and Ceil said she will find out the cost.

Special Games - Ann has created a list of special games. She suggested we call the July special game "Anniversary Game in honor of Lynn Baker." Everyone agreed.

### 2023 Dates

June 10 Silver Saturday

June 23 Fri Morn & Aft The longest day

Jul 10 Mon Aft ACBL Summer Instant Matchpoint Game

July 22 Anniversary game

Sep 9 Back2Bridge

Oct 7 Silver Saturday and Sunday

Oct 13 Fri Aft ACBLWide Senior Pairs #2

OCT 25 Wed Aft ACBLWide Instant Matchpoint Game

Dec 2 Holiday Party NOTE: Saturday

Dec 5 Tues Mor ACBLWide International Fund Game #3

### 2024 Dates

Jan 14 - 18 Suffern

Jan 22 - 28 STaC

Jan 27 Silver Saturday (Do we want to try Sunday)

Mar 31 Easter

April 7 Annual Meeting

Apr 23 Passover

May 3 - 5 Sectional

June 5 - 9 STaC

June 8 Silver Saturday

July 7 -11 Fairfield

July 20 Anniversary Party

B2B Sep 7 or 13

Oct 3 Rosh Hashannah

Oct 7 - 13 STaC

Oct 11-13 Silver Weekend

Dec 7 Holiday Party \*Saturday\*

Ann noted that the ACBL has a new privacy policy. We need to be careful about sending email to someone who does not want their private information published.

Recruiting New Members - Joanna asked if we should attend the Senior Picnics this year. Jack will check the picnic list and see if we can attend the picnics to recruit new members.

Next meeting will be held August 21 at 7PM.

Adjournment – Jack asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bill moved to adjourn, and Alan seconded. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:22.

*Cecilia Collopy*

Ceil Collopy, Secretary DCBA