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## Duplicate Bridge Association of Atlanta

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President Jack Feagin called the meeting to order. Present: Jack Feagin, Gaby Fadel, Kevin Collins, Beatrice Kemp, Sue Wolfe, Josie Mitchell, and Carolyn Eckert. Guests: Bob Heller and Dan Plato

1. Minutes: October 20, 2004 DBAA Board meeting were approved.

2. Financial: Financials for September and October submitted.

3. Specialty Games:

**Holiday Party**: Dec 15, 2004. Claudia Feagin will get the food for the Holiday Party

4. Old Business:

**Report on November Atlanta Sectional**: Bob Heller reported there were 729 tables, down somewhat from previous Sectionals, which resulted in a \$65 loss. This loss probably resulted from an overstaffing per number of tables. The loss was not significant. The costs for storing and handling the MABC tables has gone from reasonable to unreasonable because we now have to pay commercial housing pricing plus higher moving cost. Mason Davis, who had previously housed the tables, is no longer able to do so. The DBAA will look for solutions.

**Mentoring Proposal**: Dan Plato presented a proposal for funding a mentoring program that he would initiate and supervise for a 3 month period from Jan to Mar. Life Masters would be paired up with non-life masters with interest in improving their bridge game. Rules and regulations for both participants will be clearly printed out and explained. The purpose is to increase bridge players' knowledge of the game with the anticipation they will continue to advance to higher levels with greater participation in other bridge games. Funds would cover costs of advertising, printing, and paying for the Life Master's entrance fee of \$7.00. The proposal called for funding of \$1100, 50% of total anticipated costs. Jack suggested that Dan should also inquire about funding from ACBL and Unit 114. [A general discussion was held that some clubs have this type of program and that the DBAA should provide help to the clubs to have this type of program. Approved: Motion was submitted by Beatrice Kemp, 2<sup>nd</sup> and approved to fund Mentoring Programs at 25% of submitted anticipated costs for all Bridge Clubs in DBAA that develop a mentoring program or a similar type of program.](#)

5. New Business:

**Preparation of Slate for Elections of Officers and Unit Reps**: Voting will be held at the Georgia State Unit 114 Almost Spring Sectional held at the Roswell Community Center from Friday through Sunday with election results presented during the Swiss game on Sunday, March 6, 2005.

[Jack Feagin will designate a Nomination Committee Chairperson to prepare the slate of candidates according to the bylaws. Possible names mentioned were Perry Alterman, Bill Kulbersh and/or John Lowell.](#)

Meeting adjourned 7:30PM. **Next meeting: Wednesday, January 5, 2005 @ 6:15pm**

Respectfully submitted,

# Carolyn Eckert

Carolyn Eckert, Secretary

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