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President Jack Feagin called the meeting to order. Present: Jack Feagin, Susan Wolfe, Bill Burks, Josie Mitchell, Beatrice Kemp, Marty Nathan, Kevin Collins, and Carolyn Eckert.

Items headlined in blue need future discussion and follow up.

- 1. Minutes: December 2005 minutes were approved with changes.
- 2. <u>Financial</u>: Nov and Oct Reports were approved. It was determined that Nancy Watlkins did direct the Nov 23rd game for the DBAA. Marty Nathan noted that from previous financial reports it appears that DBAA is losing money on the Wed night games. Historically, we have not had financial gains on Wed night games, but primarily host the games to promote bridge. Bill Burks was requested to give a summary report on the past two years so we can compare finances and table count for these games.

3. Old Business:

Housing for Tables: Bill Burks bought 3 dollies and took 100 MABC tables to store in Larry Rich's basement. Bill will be reimbursed for a rental U-Hall truck, 3 dollies, mileage and reasonable costs for whatever # of tables that are moved.

Phone Book: Board expressed desire to move on this project and waiting for Jan present the current directory to the local clubs and Roswell Tournament for individuals to edit the contents.

4. New Business:

Regional Schedule: Jack has outlined a new schedule of events to accommodate two major groups of players: 1) Atlanta residents who like the daytime events and 2) Players who prefer the traditional time of afternoon and evening events. This version will be submitted to MABC for editing. Events for the traditional times of 9:30, 1:30 and 7:30 are in place as well as events scheduled for 10:30 and 3:00 to include 2 sessions for daytime players. All times are subject to MABC changes. Junior Youth Games are no included in all sectionals and regionals.

We would like to revisit the concept of the Social Bridge Game at the Labor Day Regional 2006. The idea will be discussed further with Patty to see if she is interested.

Patty Tucker address the board giving an update on her Junior Bridge Lesson held on two Saturdays a month as well her upcoming program for 16 girls at the Atlanta Girls Club for three week.

The Atlanta Junior Bridge Group, a dedicated group of players who promote bridge for youngsters, would like to host a sanctioned monthly Junior Game for youngsters in the Atlanta area. The Atlanta Duplicate Bridge Center (ADBC) has offered free space and supplies for the game. A request was made and approved for DBAA to acquire a separate sanction under its club membership for the Junior Games. DBAA will underwrite all fees charged by ACBL for these. For the current time, all Junior Games will be FREE and held on the first Saturday of each month. Bill Burks will apply to ACBL for the sanction.

Patty reported that her lessons for youngster on Saturday was approved and applauded by all local area clubs. Nicholas Hammond will visit the WestminsterSchool which is presently hold a bridge game for there students.

Patty reported that Andre Asbury, a student at GA Tech, said there is currently no bridge game at the Tech, would be willing to play in a gamer there but cannot assist with the development of a bridge program at the Tech.

Meeting adjourned 7:30PM. *Nextmeeting: Wednesday February 1st*, 2006 @ 6:15pm Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Eckert

Carolyn Eckert, Secretary

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