

Duplicate Bridge Association of Atlanta
Board of Directors – Meeting Minutes
June 4, 2008

Present: Jack Feagin, Susan Wolfe, Dick Browne, Ralph Folkerts, Marty Nathan, Kevin Collins, Dan Papineau and Allison Milhem

Absent: Bob Heller, Barbara Heller, Bill Marks, Richard Holland and Judy Fendrick

Proceedings

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by President Jack Feagin.

Prior Minutes

The minutes of the May meeting were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report

Allison presented a summary of the May income and expenses, along with detail for the Wednesday game. She also advised that the two CDs owned by DBAA were purchased in 1996 and have a very poor interest rate. Since both CDs automatically rolled into a new year in April 2008, we will have to wait until next year to renegotiate the rates.

We obtained the report for the December 2007 sectional, so we can now submit Form 990 to the IRS (for non-profit organizations).

By-Laws Committee Update

Several members of the board did not receive a copy of the revisions proposed by the committee until today.

MOTION was made by Ralph to table a vote on the by-laws until a future date. Allison seconded the motion. *Motion approved.*

Jack advised that a special meeting could be called or a vote could be taken at the July meeting. A discussion of the proposed changes ensued, with Susan reading various proposed changes to the members present. Specific points discussed included:

- Balloting periods at tournament
- Election of DBAA officers
- Area representatives serving as liaisons between DBAA and Unit 114 boards (Article 7, Section C)
- Removal of officers and other board members (Article 5, sections E and G)

ACTION ITEM: Jack volunteered to research Georgia law regarding duties of corporations in relation to the above issues.

Website Committee Update

The board discussed the proposed new website design, which all present members liked. Marty asked whether the index bar at the left side of the page would be showing on all pages, or whether users would be forced to navigate back to the home page for each separate page. That will be the website manager Larry Rich's undertaking.

MOTION: Susan moved that said design be accepted, seconded by Kevin. *Motion approved.*

Adult Bridge Lessons Sponsored by DBAA

The board discussed the scheduling of beginner bridge lessons for adults at Martin's Landing in Roswell. Issues covered and some recommendations include:

- Finding teachers
- Length of lesson: **1.5 hours**
- Teacher reimbursement: **\$60-70 per lesson**
- Other potential locations
- Possibility of ongoing classes
- Number of free lessons: **8**
- Student costs per lesson after first 8 lessons: **\$5**
- Start date: **September, 2008**

MOTION: Susan moved that the DBAA subsidize the above venture with total funding not to exceed \$1,000. Marty seconded the motion. *Motion approved.*

Annual DBAA Membership Meeting

The annual membership meeting will not be held at the July sectional. After discussing the merits of having the meeting at the Labor Day regional which would include many non-DBAA players, the board determined that the best time for this year's meeting will be the December sectional.

MOTION: Susan moved that the annual membership meeting be held at the December sectional. Allison seconded the motion. *Motion approved.*

DBAA General Liability Insurance

Ralph expressed concern that the DBAA may have liability associated with its Wednesday night game. Dan advised, and Jack concurred, that the DBAA is covered under the GL insurance policy that is carried by the Atlanta Duplicate Bridge Club. Jack also said the ACBL does have some type of insurance available to subordinate bridge groups, but this may not apply to us.

ACTION ITEM: Jack will research the issue and advise in a future meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Next meeting: Wednesday, July 2, 2008. Time: TBD. Location: Hilton Northeast Atlanta

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Milhem, Treasurer

Judy Fendrick

Judy Fendrick, Secretary

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