

PLYMOUTH BRIDGE CLUB

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM AND IN PLYMOUTH BRIDGE CLUB ON 15TH APRIL 2024 AT 5PM

Attendees:	Steve Lacey	Chair
	Allan Simpson	Treasurer
	Susan Gregory	Committee
	Diane McGregor	Committee
	Gill Seymour	Committee
	Bruce Foster	Committee
	Rachael Walters	Committee
	Suzanne Cornish	Committee
	Andy Carpenter	Trustee
	Ailie Henry	Trustee

1. **Apologies**

1.1 Apologies received from Charles Greenlees and Mel Melville Brown

2. **Minutes of Committee Meeting 11th March 2024**

2.1 The minutes of Committee meeting were accepted.

3. **Matters Arising**

3.1 Rachael talked about an event week run by the EBU, Bridge it's a Big Deal. This is a fund-raising event for cancer run by the EBU from 9th September to 15th September. Rachael suggested that we hold our event on Sunday 15th September and proposed we hold an open taster session in the morning and then a more serious event in the afternoon. Depending on numbers the upstairs room could also be used but would probably need 2 Directors.

Charge would be £5 for the event and a collection box for donations with all proceeds given Cancer Research UK. The donation box would be available all week.

Timings 10am to noon, then 1pm for the more serious bridge. All agreed to hold this event.

4. **Treasurer's Report**

4.1 Allan presented the Financial Summary up to 31st March. Total Expenditure was £5,498.37. Total Income was £4,883.06.

Total club funds were looking healthy. Allan had also prepared a 2024 Budget sheet.

It was considered the budget sheet was useful and Bruce suggested a budget report every quarter.

5. Membership Secretary's Report

5.1 Allan reported that five players had advised that they would not renewing their membership with membership subscriptions filtering in.

5.2 Allan reported membership applications had been received from Chris Hughes and Graeme Stuart, with both accepted by the Committee. Allan also reported that Jim Edwards, whose membership lapsed last year wanted to rejoin the club, this was also agreed.

6. Approved Governing Document

6.1 Allan stated that a new Constitution needed to be agreed before the Club could apply to the charity Commission to become a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

6.2 A sub- Committee was formed to look in detail at the proposed new constitution document. They would meet on Monday 22nd April and report back to the full Committee. A Special General Meeting would be called for overall membership agreement.

7. Club Secretary

7.1 There were no offers from the Committee for one of them to take up the position of club Secretary.

8. Sub Committees

8.1 The Disciplinary Committee and a Building and Maintenance Committee would continue. Bruce agreed to chair the disciplinary committee.

9. Bridge Lessons

9.1 These had started again and were going well, with new pupils in the beginner class.

9.2 The committee welcomed Jeremy Henderson expressing an interest in doing the teaching course and Teaching at Plymouth Bridge Club.

10. Building Maintenance

10.1 Aillie and Steve to get 3 quotes for the painting of the building.

11. Correspondence

11.1 None

12. Any Other Business

12.1 None

13. Date of Next Meeting

13.1 To be arranged.