

ROSSMOOR DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB
Minutes of the Board of Directors General Meeting
June 1, 2015

Earl Reeve called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. in Gateway Multipurpose Room #1.

Attendees: Board members in attendance were Jean Autrey, Marj Livingston, Addie Mattox, Kit Miller, Mary Neff, Earl Reeve, and Al Smith. Bobbie Burgess and Barbara V. Smith were absent. Michael Gosnell, the Club Manager also attended.

Guests: Unit 499 Board Members Anne Hollingsworth, Lyn Sacco, and Ted Gunn attended the meeting to discuss Rossmoor hosting future Unit #499 Spring and/or Fall Sectionals. They also stayed for the 2016 Larry Cohen seminar discussion.

New Business (Earl Reeve): RDBC and Unit Board members explored the feasibility of holding future Unit #499 Sectional(s) in a Rossmoor facility. Discussion items included current challenges reserving other venues in the area; potential advantages to RDBC players; scheduling conflicts within Rossmoor; and logistical and policy concerns. A number of follow-up tasks were identified and assigned. We will continue the discussion as we get more information.

Old Business (Earl Reeve): Two Old Business topics were discussed:

- At the May meeting, the RDBC Board endorsed hosting a 2016 Larry Cohen Seminar. Tedd Gunn, an RDBC member who suggested the seminar, attended the meeting today to provide more details. We agreed that the seminar is an RDBC event. The enrollment process will be the same as any RDBC class - registration priority will be given to RDBC members for the first week or two and then opened up for non-members. RDBC members will pay a discounted fee. Tedd Gunn will be the contact to Larry Cohen. He and Addie will work together on the many details.

Anne, Lyn and Ted then left the meeting.

- RDBC By-Laws will be updated per the following schedule: July 6 - 1st draft presented to Board for review; Aug. & Sept. - drafts updated and reviewed by Board. Board approved updates made available to members by Oct. 1st for review. Final approval of updated By-Laws by membership at Dec. annual meeting.

Approve Minutes: A motion was made and passed to approve the minutes for both the General and Executive meetings for May 4th, 2015.

Treasurer's Report (Jean Autrey): As of May 31, RDBC profit exceeds the budget forecast by over \$2500. The two current classes are more than covering their costs. And table counts for May were above the monthly average. RDBC is well positioned to provide free plays and discounts for the September Rossmoor Games week and for December. A motion was made and passed to approve the May financial reports.

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Membership Report (Addie Mattox): As of May 31st, RDBC membership is 348, an increase of 29 since April 30th. Addie mentioned that she is preparing the mid-year directory corrections which will include Entry numbers for those members who provide the information. She will also email an electronic copy of the corrections to members who make a request.

Hospitality (Earl Reeve for Bobbie Burgess): Earl reported that Bobbie and Angie plan to provide refreshments for the upcoming Sunday, June 21st Unit game.

Publicity/Sunshine Report (Kit Miller): Kit presented an updated plan for RDBC's participation in The Rossmoor Games during the week of September 21st. The Board approved the following:

- First place N/S/E/W winners in all sections on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday will be given a ticket to a free lunch on Friday. Certificates prepared by the Games committee will be presented to winners on Friday at the awards luncheon. Winners receive 1 ticket only even if they place first on multiple days. The estimated number of winners is 24 for Monday, 24 for Tuesday, and 12 for Wednesday for a total of 60 winners. Total cost to RDBC for the free lunch ticket prizes is about \$300.
- During the entire week, free plays will be given to members and reduced table fees to guests. (Guests pay \$5/game, except Friday when they pay \$3.)
- Everyone who participates in games during this week can attend the Friday luncheon and pay the discounted lunch cost, estimated at \$5. This is pending approval by the Games Committee.
- Michael will provide Kit with information on game formats for the week by Aug. 1st.

Club Manager's Report (Michael Gosnell): Michael discussed the following items:

- **New Director Training** - The Board agreed to the following training/compensation for new directors in training. New directors will "shadow" experienced directors for 4 games. They will not be compensated for the first 2 games. They will receive 50% pay for the third and fourth games.
- **Open Friday Game** - Michael proposed that the 0-49 Friday game be open to all players (similar to the Thursday evening game). Friday attendance was down in May. The proposal did not pass at this time since the Friday game has enough tables to at least break-even. The intent of the Friday game is to move new players into the Tuesday duplicate game. Non-residents may play with a resident on both Fridays and Tuesdays.
- **Education Program** - The two new classes originally scheduled to start July 13th will be delayed. Instead, they will begin the first week in August. Pat and Kathleen will teach an 8-week series on Competitive Bidding. Michael will email Kit the details on both classes so she can get the information published.

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- **New Printer** - At Michael's request, a motion was made and passed to purchase a new printer for less than \$200. Addie also offered to donate an surplus printer to RDBC.

The general meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m. for an Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Neff,
Secretary, RDBC