

ROSSMOOR DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB
Minutes of the Board of Directors General Meeting
June 5, 2017

President, Earl Reeve, called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m. in the Oak room at Gateway. Earl asked that the minutes of today's meeting reflect the fact that there had been no meeting of the board in May. He said there was no need for an Executive Session today.

Attendance: Other board members in attendance were Jean Autrey, Bobbie Burgess, Bob Elgie, Marj Livingston, Sherry Marks, Kit Miller, and Club Manager, Michael Gosnell. Barbara Fendel and Barbara Smith were absent.

Approve Minutes: A motion was made and passed to approve the amended April minutes.

Treasurer's Report (Jean Autrey): Jean said that the net profit for May was \$8,208, with cash in the bank totaling \$27,265 and a reserve fund of \$12,059. This report was accepted by the board.

Each month Jean sends to board members by email the profit & loss statement, a list of deposits from dues and table fees, the bank reconciliation, a copy of the current budget and a copy of the check register.

Membership Report (Bob Elgie): Bob said that there were currently 361 members with Jean holding envelopes for two more members. Bob passed out a written proposal for the annual board member nominations that he and Kit Miller had prepared. He asked that board members read it over as well as looking at Articles IV and V of the By Laws. These articles are in the RDDB directory which all members receive.

There were two issues which Bob and Kit considered: 1) How to involve the wider membership in the process of selecting candidates rather than have the process dominated by the current board, and 2) How to encourage and then handle additional nominations from the floor at the annual meeting.

Marj Livingston announced that she will be moving to Byron Park probably by the end of the year. Our by-laws state that *any member in good standing may, in the discretion of the Board of Directors, continue to be afforded the privilege of regular members*. The board agreed to make official Marj's status when the actual date is known.

Michael Gosnell asked about removing deceased members names from the ACBL database that he maintains for our club.

Earl mentioned the increasing number of tables needed to provide space for play. Marj asked about the possibility of pushing back a wall, saying that we need to get our request in for additional space so that it might be considered. The board agreed unanimously.

Publicity (Kit Miller): On Wednesday, April 5th, we had an almost-entire page of bridge photos and announcements in the Rossmoor News. Kit said that the Rossmoor Games are coming up in September. We have participated in the past, but she recommended that we not take part this year. A motion was made that we not participate and passed unanimously.

Hospitality (Bobbie Burgess): Bobbie said that the District is providing refreshments (pizza) for the Unit Game, here at Rossmoor, Sunday, June 25th. All she has to do is to provide coffee.

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July 10 - 15 will be a free-play week for Rossmoor residents. Bobbie said that messy desserts are discouraged, but really good cookies could be provided. This week and a week in January take the place of providing members with free play on their actual birthdays. The old method of providing free play was proving a bit difficult to manage.

Club Manager's Report (Michael Gosnell):

1. The **phone in the Oak room** has been disconnected. Michael asked for help in reminding the GRF board of its importance to us. Jean said that she would do this. Evidently, there are problems with the new system.
2. Michael said that the directors seem satisfied with the current schedule. Kathleen Young is an official substitute and Mary Stuart is also helping out.
3. New **keys** have been made.
4. Noise continues to be a problem especially upon completion of a round - discussion of just-played hands. We will continue to remind players not to discuss what just happened.
5. **Marj Livingston** said that she will be leaving the board in December. In addition, the terms of Bobbie, Earl and Bob will be completed.

Old Business: nothing.

New Business: District Unit Game, Sunday, June 25, briefly discussed under **Hospitality.**

Next meeting: Earl said that the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 3rd. He recommended that there be no July meeting, that the next meeting be **Monday, August 7.**

If board members feel there is a need for a meeting, they could meet on Monday, July 10.
(Remember to check if someone is using Multipurpose room.)

The general meeting was adjourned at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Marks,
RDBC secretary