

ROSSMOOR DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB
Minutes of the Board of Directors General Meeting
March 5, 2018

President, Bob Elgie, called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. in Multipurpose Room #1 at Gateway.

Attendance: Other board members in attendance were Jean Autrey, Albert Chu, Barbara Fendel, Judy Keilin, Sherry Marks, Kit Miller, Barbara Smith, Lori Weston and Club Manager, Michael Gosnell.

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

Treasurer's Report (Jean Autrey): Jean reported that our Net Profit for 2/26/18 is \$3,072. This includes the \$1,335 reimbursement from the Unit for half the cost of the new bridge pads.

Jean asked that the names of Earl Reeve and Mary Neff be removed as signers on the U.S. Bank checking and savings accounts. It was so moved, seconded and unanimously approved. Jean also asked that Sherry post the Financial Report on the Oak room's bulletin board.

Membership Report (Albert Chu): Albert said our membership remains at 305. The directory should be available next week. Lou Landgraf has been having printer problems. Between the two classes we've brought in 19 new members.

Judy Keilin plans to set up a **Google group** for Rossmoor duplicate club members. She asked the board for some direction as to what it should and should not include. She will get names and addresses from Albert.

Hospitality (Barbara Fendel): Barbara said she, Lori and Gigi had met with Bobbie and Angie as to recommendations on amount of food, etc. she should order for the upcoming Unit Game on Sunday, March 25. As there's a unit meeting also prior to the game, it's usually well-attended. Jean said that we usually have enough tables to reach the maximum reimbursement from Unit 499 which is \$180.00.

Publicity (Kit Miller): Kit said that there's been some photos printed of 70% game winners, plus a picture of our latest Silver Life Master, Lorraine Grawoig.

Kit has ordered, received and distributed 39 new name badges and had orders for 20 more that she will submit. She said that apparently a few of the members had not heeded the warning issued to those wearing pacemakers. They cannot wear badges using magnets. Kit has had to order badges with pins for them.

Club Manager's Report (Michael Gosnell):

1. Michael is preparing a two-page document for the membership explaining the 2018 ACBL rule changes. Michael will look into *Fiber Copy*, recommended by Bob, located on Contra Costa Blvd., to possibly print copies of the new rules.

2. Our newest director, **Deborah Rechnitz**, is working two Fridays a month. Lori is working her schedule into Dori's Tuesday schedule. Bob and Michael agreed that it would be nice to have a backup director to call in emergencies, but it would also be a luxury.

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3. Michael would like to make the **B group on Monday a Non-life Master group** with the maximum point range of 499. He said the this would fit in with plans to offer a variety of groups at Rossmoor to give players more options. Jean moved and Sherry seconded that effective 7/1/18 we implement this change for the Monday game only. The motion passed.

4. There will be **no open game offered on Saturdays**. Kit presented feedback from her unofficial poll. She said that members were overwhelmingly in favor of no open game, citing various reasons.

5. **REACH games were completed**. Michael was disappointed in how few gold points were actually available to players. He doesn't know if it will be offered again.

6. Bob Elgie offered his home to Michael to be used for a **meeting of current directors** to have a discussion of recent ACBL rule changes. Kit said that she'd received complaints that it is often difficult to hear what directors are saying. The availability of having a microphone was mentioned.

Old Business:

1. There was brief discussion about separating the Saturday game into A and B groups. It was felt that there might not be enough tables/attendance to make this feasible. Sharon will be contacted and asked her to monitor this.

New Business:

1. Are STAC games open to all bridge players (not just RDBC members)? No, we are an invitational club. Guests have to be invited. There is a list of special events that is posted on the bulletin board.

The general meeting was adjourned at 5:00 PM. There was no executive session.

Next meeting: Monday, April 2 in Multipurpose Room #1 at Gateway.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Marks,
RDBC secretary