

## JACKSONVILLE SCHOOL OF BRIDGE BOARD MEETING

NOVEMBER 16, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 2:30PM by President Nancy Stein.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Kay Craft, Mark Franzoni, Dan Jacobs, Anne Landry, Burt O'Dell, John Reeve, Michele Raeuber, Nancy Stein, Richard Streeter.

Approved Absences: Dane Margol, Jeanne Harlan

Also Present: Dennis Bushman, Bookkeeper; Julie Bradley, Maintenance Manager; Nancy Hanna, 199er liaison, Jeri Hogan, Nancy Whitmire, Leyse Lowry, newly elected 2017 Board members.

1. MINUTES. Minutes of previous meeting approved via email.

### REPORTS:

2. **Bookkeeper:** Dennis Bushman reported that the October Sectional netted approximately \$2000. October showed a net profit of approximately \$2100.

3. **Tournament:** Michele Raeuber reported that the table count for the October tournament was down by approximately 20 tables, but the event still turned in a profit of \$2000.

The Board agreed that the second session of future sectional tournaments will begin at 2:30 instead of 3:00. Start time for the morning session will remain 10:30.

4. **Building Maintenance:** Julie Bradley reported the following:

- There is still confusion of the transition from Waste Management to Waste Pro. She will follow up.
- The Ice Machine should be scheduled for regular maintenance.
- Ceiling duct work and AC balancing have been completed. This should fix the leaking that has been observed in the northwest corner of the ceiling.
- The roof has been recoated; this is a follow-up treatment on the 7-year old roof.
- JEA has trimmed the branches in the front of the building that were overhanging the electrical wires.
- Post-hurricane maintenance included having the windows washed, the parking lot cleared of debris, and the gutters cleaned.
- The extra outside lighting is installed and is functioning correctly, to the pleasure of everyone who plays in the evening game.
- The toilet in the handicapped bathroom has been fixed.

5. **Education:** Richard Streeter and Burt O'Dell reported that the classes conducted under the auspices of the Duval County Board of Education successfully completed the first course. The second course is well underway. The third course will begin sometime in January, pending scheduling from Duval County. A new beginning class is also in the works for January, pending approval from Duval County.

6. **199er Liaison:** Nancy Hanna, Melissa Sovereign and Kathi Gardner have volunteered to be 199er liaisons to the Board of Directors. Nancy Hanna reported the following:

- 199ers would like another 0-199 game. It was agreed that the session will be added on Friday beginning in January 2017.
- 199ers loved the Pro-Am game, were gratified by the attention paid to them by their “pro” partners and would like this to be a semi-annual or annual event.
- Would it be possible to have a 0-20 game? Discussion ensued. This could be conducted in conjunction with Chat Bridge. This will tentatively be initiated in January.
- The Tuesday and Thursday lessons received very positive feedback. 199ers would like a published calendar of topics to be discussed and would like handouts to be posted on the website. Both suggestions will be addressed.
- There is a need for another Bridge Etiquette lesson.
- It would be greatly appreciated if both the open and limited games broke for lunch at the same time. The 199ers would not mind breaking in the middle of a round as long as they were on the same timeline as the open game.
- We will reactivate the 70% Game Plaque for the 199er game. There is currently a 99er plaque which will be updated.
- Could we have some kind of announcement of rank changes for the 199ers?

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- The defibrillator has been installed. The following people attended the training class: Alta Tanner, Dane Margol, Anne Landry, Dan Jacobs, Monica Heseman, Marilyn Parker, Richard Streeter, Tom Fox, Jeanne Harlan, Jeri Hogan. An additional training session will be scheduled after the New Year.
- Michele Raeuber reported that plans for the Christmas party scheduled for December 16, 2016, are on schedule. Sign-up sheets for side dishes and desserts have been posted around the club. The club will provide turkey and ham. All members will play free that day. Door prizes and drawings for free plays will be conducted as they were last year.
- The trophy cases have been cleaned and refurbished with tinted glass in hopes that the darkened background will enhance the appearance of the trophies. After much discussion about the location of the various trophies, Anne Landry moved that John Reeve purchase a single shelf upon which all the trophies can be displayed. Motion seconded by Burt O’Dell. Motioned passed with 7 in favor and 2 opposed.

Anne Landry agreed to prepare brief notes for each trophy giving some history on the person (Gary Tinkley, Marion Remlinger, Bud Warren and Geoffrey Cross) to whom each trophy is dedicated.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Recognizing that the temperature control in the building is an uneven process and further recognizing that there is no way to please all the members, Richard Streeter moved that the only people who will touch the thermostats are Julie Bradley, Maintenance Manager, and the Director of the day. Signs to that effect will be posted at all thermostats. The thermostat in the dining

area will remain set at 77 degrees; the two thermostats in the main playing area will remain set at 74 degrees. The motion was seconded by Michele Raeuber. The motion passed unanimously.

- Club member Linda England has volunteered to review the club books at year's end. Anne Landry moved that her offer be accepted and that she be rewarded with 10 free plays. Motion seconded by Michele Raeuber. Motion passed unanimously.
- Alta Tanner will be advised that the club wants Swiss team personal score cards and double sided personal score cards to be purchased from Bridge Buddy. The Bridge Buddy format for both cards is preferred to that of Baron Barclay.
- Format for the annual membership meeting will be changed as follows:
  - Meeting will be conducted BEFORE the beginning of the game instead of at the lunch break.
  - Ballots will be handed out by the Director along with game entries. Completed ballots will be picked up by the Director. Announcement of winners will be made at lunch break.
- Discussion of method of collection of table fees will be deferred until new board is installed.
- STAC week is 12/6-12/11. Richard Streeter will direct the Saturday sessions.
- There has been a request from a member that the starting times of our M W Th games be changed to either earlier or later making it possible to avoid a lunch break. Since this matter has not been presented to the general membership for several years, it was agreed that is worthy of consideration. Anne Landry will prepare a survey to be distributed via email and by hardcopy at the club.
- Much brainstorming on the topic of increasing table count in the afternoon sessions of our sectional tournaments resulted in the following:
  - As mentioned before, new start time will be 2:30.
  - 0-20 players will be offered a Buy-One-Get-One entry for play on the same day.
  - 21-199 players will be offered a Buy-One-Get-One-Half-Off entry for play on the same day.
  - Mark Franzoni moved that these options be accepted; motion seconded by Kay Craft; motion carried unanimously.
  - John Reeve and Trella Bromley will work out details of promoting these changes.

Meeting was adjourned at 4PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Anne Landry, Acting Secretary

Approved via internet November 22, 2016