

**JACKSONVILLE SCHOOL OF BRIDGE BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 16, 2021**

The meeting was called to order at 2:30pm by President Jan Madsen. Board members present: Jacquelyn Bates, Aldo Cardia, Mark Franzoni, Monica Heseman, Anne Landry, Jan Madsen, Linda O'Dell, Melissa Sovereign and Nancy Whitmire. Absent: Lynn Brown, Craig Hemphill. Also present: Jeanne Harlan.

OLD BUSINESS:

The plaque recognizing John Brady's accomplishments in the Silver Point race is now on display.

NEW BUSINESS:

October Tournament:

Monica Heseman reported that the ACBL has downgraded our tournament because of the high positivity rate for Covid-19 in the Jacksonville area. Silver points have been reduced to 65%. The ACBL will not furnish a director; however, our club can hire someone to direct. JSOB will inform the ACBL that we intend to proceed with the tournament with one session on Friday, October 22, at 12:00 noon, one session on Saturday, October 23rd, at 10:00am, and a team game on Sunday, October 24th, at 10:00am.

Table Count Update/Member Update:

The weekly table count has not increased, with average weekly count at 35 tables. Of the 35 new members, only 10 are playing on a regular basis.

One Club Club:

Jacquelyn Bates reported that six persons have been recruited to act as go to persons for the newer members and 299ers. They have been calling new members and trying to establish relationships, partnerships and interest in playing bridge more frequently at the club.

Financial Update:

The club showed a profit of \$665.00 in August, thanks to \$1376 in donations from members. These donations have been extremely beneficial for the club during the pandemic. Year-to-date the club is -1275.00. The board is hopeful that members will return in larger numbers in months to come and support the club as the pandemic eases.

Monthly Game Calendar:

Lynn Brown has replaced Don Dvorak and will be responsible for the monthly game calendar.

Mentor-Mentee Program 2022:

Charlie Schubiger estimates that about 20 people will be interested in the mentoring program. The program will resume in January 2022.

Dues Update:

Members will have multiple choices for paying their 2022 dues. Details will follow.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Whitmire, Secretary