

Jacksonville School of Bridge
Board Meeting-2013 Board
December 13, 2012
AGENDA

1. The 2013 Board met to decide on new officers. A quorum was present. Bill, Jeanne, Craig and Regina were not able to attend.
2. The following members were nominated: Kay Craft for President, Shirley Garvey for Vice-President, Regina for Secretary and Bud for Treasurer. There was brief discussion whether also to nominate Linda Drake for Treasurer. Since Bud was willing to continue in the post, Linda declined to be nominated. There were no other nominations. There was brief discussion whether to have a private ballot, but the Board unanimously indicated that it did not believe that was necessary. A voice vote was taken. All the nominees were approved unanimously.
3. The 2013 Board voted to change the meeting date for the Board in 2013 from the third Thursday every other month to the third Wednesday beginning in January. The discussion noted that this conflicted with Dan's Wednesday game. However, only 2 Board members, Bud and Jeanne Harlan, regularly play in that game. Jeanne was not able to be present at the meeting. However, Bud said he was willing to give up one game there every other month, and the Board didn't think there was any significant impact on Dan's game. The Board approved the change in the schedule unanimously. JDB will ask Don Dvorak to change the monthly schedule.
4. The Board discussed the Saturday novice\newcomers game and compensation for Craig. Craig had asked if the Club wanted him to get his own sanction for the game. John indicated that the game uses the Club's Saturday sanction and belongs to the Club. Craig directs the game and teaches a lesson at the Club's request. He is allowed to keep table fees minus the payment of table fees to the ACBL. The current by-laws do not allow a member of the Board of Directors to be an employee of the Club, but the current arrangement is a gray area. He does not receive payment on the same basis as our regular directors. His reimbursement could be more or less than theirs depending on the number of tables. He only charges \$1 per person for a lesson, which is far less than the commercial going-rate for lessons. Out of that he pays the costs of preparing and presenting the lesson. John noted that there is a pending by-law change to allow members of the Board of Directors to be employees of the Club. The Board tabled further consideration of the arrangement until after the recommended by-law change is voted on by the membership at the Holiday Party next Friday.
5. The Board discussed the need for volunteers at the Club. Cece Lichenstein has retired as Chair of the Mentoring Program after two years. The Board thanked Cece for her service. John indicated he is willing to continue handling the Club website. John also indicated that he had taken over handling the 70%+ and other plaques job and the building maintenance job that Harish handled before he passed away. John indicated he would continue handling the plaques, but the

person in charge of building maintenance needed to be at the club almost every day, and John indicated he didn't expect to play that much next year.

6. John indicated that Linda Drake had completed the audit, and circulated the audit report by e-mail and recommended that the Board members review it before discussion at the next meeting. Kay didn't think she had received it. John indicated he would send the audit report out again. Kay also received a paper copy at the meeting.

John drew attention to Ms. Drake's finding that the books were in order, but that the Club needed to adopt more regular business-like procedures in certain areas. JDB also pointed out that our cash accounts make little or no interest and asked the Board to think about whether CDs would carry a significantly higher return. Kay will look into investment alternatives. It was noted that the messages on the answering machine are not being reviewed by directors, and that no one knew how to retrieve them.

7. The Board discussed asking the painter to come back to repaint the back wall. JDB pointed out that the rough surface of the wall was a pre-existing condition. Short of replacing the wall boards, which was not the painter's job, the painter might have done the best he could.

8. There was no further business, and the meeting was adjourned.

After the meeting adjourned, Linda Drake phoned our phone service and to find out how to retrieve our messages, and JDB turned over his key to the building to Kay Craft.

2013 officers:

President: Kay Craft
Vice-President: Shirley Garvey
Secretary: Regina Sooley
Treasurer: Bud Penk