

## **Jacksonville School of Bridge**

### **Board Meeting: Agenda**

**May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by John Brady at 2:27 p.m.

**Board Members present:** Bud Penk, John Brady, Don Dvorak, Kay Craft, Ginny Hoffman, John Landry, Bill Foerster, Regina Sooe, Craig Hemphill, Shirley Ann Garvey, Peggy Higginbotham, Nancy Martin. Quorum: Yes

**Also present:** Carl Wasserman, Bonnie Clutterbuck,,Chester Montgomery, Richard Streeter, Jeanne Harlan, Anne Landry, Marianne Cross, Ed Berg.

1. Approval of minutes of previous Board meeting: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve them.
2. Retirement of Marianne Cross as Club Manager. Vote on new candidates: Linda Drake, Nancy Mitchell, and Deborah Panetta. Discussion of the candidates, and job description.
  - Craig made a motion to table this vote, until a committee can be formed to investigate the candidates in more detail, and make a recommendation. Regina seconded the motion. Discussion on the motion. Bill F. mentioned the timing issue.
  - Craig amended his motion to have committee make their recommendation and for the Board to have an electronic vote in one week; Regina seconded the motion. The motion passed in a 10-1 vote. John B. will appoint a committee to recommend the Manager.
3. Table Count and Earnings at May Tournament. Bud Penk. Table count was down., but profits were about the same as last year. John B. suggested a new idea for a shorter lunch break, and earlier start time, so we don't lose people in the afternoon.
4. Changes to Bylaws allowing Directors and other Employees of the Club to serve on Board of Directors. Options to be put before Members. Discussion about reduction in numbers of Board of Directors. See attached Proposed Amendments recommended by the appointed Committee.
  - Craig made a motion that all three Game Directors be appointed to the Board and the number of Member directors be reduced to 11. Craig withdrew his motion.
  - Craig made a motion that employees of the Jacksonville School of Bridge may serve on the Board. Additionally, no Board member shall vote on matters pertaining to their personal or financial interest. The Motion was seconded by Nancy Martin and passed unanimously.

-Shirley moved that the number of Directors be reduced from 13 to 11. The motion was seconded and passed. There will be a Committee to draft the bylaws and mechanism for doing so.

5. Mentoring Program: Cece and Bonnie stated that married couples should not be allowed to play free and mentor each other. A motion was made that spouses, family members and significant others shall not play for free when mentoring each other. The motion was seconded and passed. Kay and John L. abstained.
6. Should the club throw a party for mentors and students? No discussion or motion.
7. Request by Tournament Directors for electrician to install new circuits for the director's table. John will have Harish look into it.
8. Request by members to change "A" flight to 3500 Masterpoints. There is no interest in pursuing this idea, and no motion was made.
9. Should the JSOB start a teaching program for beginning bridge, paying teachers? This would involve changing the Wed game time to noon, and have the class in the morning. Kay moved that we have a class on Wed morning, starting in September, and move the normal game time to noon. The motion was seconded and passed.
10. Advertising for the Club-current Board rule: Our current allocation is \$100/year. John would like to hire a marketing person to do this. We will revisit this at a future meeting.
11. Cell phone penalties: Should directors have discretion to warn the first time, depending upon how loud the phone is and other factors? Kay moved that Directors have the discretion to warn or give penalties for cell phone usage during the game. Motion seconded and passed.
12. Dealing Machine: John B. wants to give the Odells privileges to use the dealing machine and computer for their Tuesday game. Kay made a motion to allow the Odells to use our dealing machine and computer for their Tuesday game. John L. seconded the motion. Motion passed. Craig opposed the motion.
13. Terry Smith Plaque (Nancy Raley): Discussion about the plaque. Craig states that we should be consistent. The Board was concerned about setting a precedent, and did not pursue the matter.
14. New tile in men's restroom: Chester Montgomery got a quote for \$400 to replace. Kay moved that we spend the \$400 to replace the tile. The motion was seconded and passed.
15. Don Dvorak is ready to do the charity drawing, and will do it before the Friday game.
16. Peggy asked the Board if they want to rent or loan some tables for the Larry Cohen seminar in August. It could be good publicity for us. It is August 11-12.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.