



PAPATOETOE CONTRACT BRIDGE

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES 17th SEPTEMBER 2014

PRESENT: Maureen Sheldon, Pam Watson, Denis Irwin, Fay Irwin (Chair), Phil Lynch, Marilyn Stark

APOLOGIES: John Tetley (lessons), Susan Thorne, John Treherne – Accepted - Marilyn/Pam

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Were read and passed as a true and correct record – Phil/Fay
Matters arising were deferred to General Business.

CORRESPONDENCE IN

1. NZ Bridge – 3rd Quarter Levy Invoice (Calculated end of September)
2. NZ Bridge (Richard Solomon) – Requesting Contact Details of Event Organiser – SEE BELOW
3. Auckland/Northland Regional Committee Meeting Minutes (24/8/14)
4. Charities Services – New Reporting Standards Seminars for 2015
5. Charities Services - Newsletter
6. Lance Bowden – Student help for Xmas Tournament – SEE BELOW

CORRESPONDENCE OUT

1. NZ Bridge – Neil Beckett to be PCBC AGM delegate at AGM in Hamilton on 27/9/14
2. NZ Bridge (Richard Solomon) – Confirming PCBC running Babich NZ Wide Tournament
On Friday 31st October with request for further contact information – SEE BELOW

Moved that the Correspondence in be accepted and out be approved - Denis/Phil - Accepted

FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer presented the current financial statement and list of accounts to be passed for payment.

For Consideration:

1. Approve payment to Phil Lynch for running lessons (relief) on 10th September-Moved that Phil be reimbursed \$150 on Invoice for this lesson - Fay/Pam- Agreed
2. Approve donation to Rotary for use of Van to Vets Waitomo Tournament on same basis as previous transport - Agreed.
3. Motion to Reimburse Rob Skinner for Dealing – Proposed that Rob Skinner be presented with petrol vouchers based on \$60 per month for time and travelling to do the dealing- Pam Watson / Maureen – Agreed
4. As the balance of our Current a/c will be low due to the deferred interest payment from the TD which fell due 4th April, it was felt that we should transfer \$2783 from the Fastsaver a/c suffix 78, to the current a/c from the end of this month, leaving a balance of \$5000.

5. The Savings Plus a/c suffix 52 to be re-invested to mature in 6 months at the end of March 2015, depending on whether the rate of interest is more favourable than leaving the funds in this a/c on the date of expiry 30/9/2014. Total to re-invest for 6 months \$140,000, interest accrued to be deposited to our current a/c.

Accounts to be passed for payment:

1	Abbey Press – Bidding Pads	\$ 448.50
2	Office Manager Services (N. Beckett)	\$ 531.25
3	PSC - Restricted Tournament Drinks	\$ 178.50
4	Stamps	\$ 80.00
5	Wine Glasses	\$ 165.60
6	Petty Cash Reimbursement	\$ 185.50
7	Auckland Insurance - Public liability and General Ins	\$1208.77
8	The Hearing House - Donation from members and Club	\$ 315.60
9	Lesson - (Phil)	\$ 150.00
10	Petrol Vouchers	\$ 240.00
	Total	\$3,503.72

GENERAL BUSINESS

Planning for Babich NZ Wide Pairs Tournament – Friday 31st October

Confer with Maureen Sheldon if she is available to volunteer to organise/coordinate the Pot-Luck Dinner: Maureen agreed that she would co-ordinate dinner and Phil offered to cook the meats.

Pre-registration will be undertaken to see how many people would be interested in playing and having a meal together before play.

Request received from Richard Solomon for contact person (name, email address and phone number) and who will score on the night?

NZ Bridge this year they are aiming for overnight national results.

John Tetley has responded to Richard's email as he will be handling the dealing and also directing.

Planning for Xmas 2014 Tournament

Email from Lance Bowden to arrange Student Help – forwarded to Marilyn Stark.

Discussed whether any volunteers from Club - not to date.

If we accept Lance's offer, how should the Club reimburse the students?

It was moved by Maureen that we give the students Westfield vouchers to the value of \$20 each for each night they attend. They would be required for 2 hrs from 8.30 to 10.30 at the latest. This was seconded by Marilyn - Agreed.

Further efforts to encourage volunteers to help should be made before making arrangement with the students.

Progress on Possible Relocation of PCBC within PSC

Discussion on Architect plans and a possible Special General Meeting for Club:

Although final plans and costing have still to be prepared, in theory the Committee agreed that we should make plans for a Special General Meeting to gain the mandate of the Club for any further progression.

It was felt that a Monday evening would be best as this is the best attended night. The date of Monday 3rd November was proposed. It will be advertised for 6.45pm to close at 7.25pm in time for the scheduled session.

Advertising the S.G.M. needs to be done at least 3 weeks before the date. President to ensure this is done.

Advertising and Sponsorship in Club Programme and Web Site

Discuss whether or not to pursue advertising/sponsors which are listed in club programme and on web site.

The discussion should focus on the

1. Benefits or Not on recovering costs of the programme
2. Benefits or Not for Tournament recovery costs
3. Prompting bridge for the club
4. Prompting services for the local Business Community

Possibly looking at setting up a Sub-committee, chaired by Phil Lynch, with the responsibility to develop and implement marketing strategies, business contacts, pricing structures through to implementation.

Phil discussed above and relayed discussion with John Waters and Neil Beckett.

Phil is more interested in putting his energy into promoting bridge within the Manukau/Papatoetoe area, and is investigating the possibility of getting a bridge group going within the new AUT campus at Manukau located in the new station in Wiri Station Rd.

It was suggested that Jean Wing and Rob Skinner be invited to join with John to further investigate the use of advertising in our Bridge fixtures book.

Lesson Education for Junior Players

Response to Neil's questionnaire and how to proceed from here:

The response to the questionnaire was not great.

Mostly just 1 or 2 persons on a Monday night and less on Tuesdays.

It was decided that we should present the topics elected by players by means of whiteboard or PowerPoint displays, at say 7.05pm on Mon/Tues nights, behind the playing area, finishing by 7.15 to allow time to get together with partners before play commences.

Ask Neil to prepare the presentations, but allow members to present to the players. Suggested capable people to give presentations to good effect - Phil, David McRae, Val Tetley, Nellie Arts, Fay.

Since the meeting I have received the NZBridge September newsletter which advises that the next set of 10 modules will be released by the end of November. These are Improver modules which will include Stayman and Blackwood, and will have an emphasis on play and defence- maybe we could use some of these modules when they arrive - Fay

Banners

The purchase of banners to display our Club details was discussed. Although the concept was approved it was decided to defer purchase of these until we know whether our Club will be re-located or otherwise.

Meeting Closed <<8.45pm >>