

## Unit 431 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Held at the home of Diane Moffatt on February 28, 2013 at 7 p.m.

### Board Members Present:

Ted Eisner	Ele Gibson (Chairperson)	Peggy Pepper
Tony Farr	Gayle Good	Gail Richardson
Pat Fullerton	Diane Moffatt	Jan Soutar
		Leslie Wood

1. **Call to order** Ele Gibson  
The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.
  
2. **Approval of Agenda** Ele Gibson  
**It was agreed that Agenda Item 5 be moved to Agenda Item 3.**
  
3. **Appointment of Officers** (formerly item #5)  
Board officers were appointed as follows:  
President-----Ele Gibson  
Vice President -----Diane Moffatt  
Secretary-----Peggy Pepper  
Treasurer -----Gail Richardson  
Tournament Coordinator-----Tony Farr  
Webmaster-----Leslie Wood  
Awards Coordinator -----Gayle Good  
Asset Inventory Coordinator ---Diane Moffatt  
Bridge Buzz-----Leslie Wood  
Membership Coordinator -----Ted Eisner  
  
**Motion: Leslie Wood/Ted Eisner that Ruth Cain be asked to continue as Unit Recorder and that Doug Fraser be asked to continue as Disciplinary Chair.** MSC
  
4. **Approval of minutes for January 17, 2013 Board Meeting** Ele Gibson  
**Motion: Leslie Wood/Ted Eisner that the minutes be accepted as corrected.** MSC
  
5. **Matters Arising from the Minutes** Ele Gibson  
Unit assets, other than Bridge Mates, are currently being stored in James Foster's truck and this arrangement will continue as long as James is willing. The Bridge Mates are currently being stored at Gail Richardson's home.
  
6. **President's Report** Ele Gibson
  - a. Welcome to new board members
  - b. Board members are encouraged to assist wherever needed at the Regional Tournament in April.
  - c. Board members are encouraged to wear their board name tags at all bridge events to enable unit members to ask questions of and direct comments to board members.
  
7. **Financial Report** Gail Richardson
  - a. Financial statements for the Ace of Hearts Tournament held on February 23 are not yet finalized but there were 34 tables in attendance
  - b. Current balance is \$10,502.98
  - c. Insurance for Bridge Mates cost is \$500
  - d. Gail suggested talking to clubs after the Regional about possibly renting Bridge Mates
  - e. Signing authority should be changed to include Ele, Gail, Diane, and Peggy. Gail will arrange for signees to meet at the Bank of Montreal on Cook/Quadra.

**8. Membership Report** Ted Eisner  
Current membership at 480 members: 166 Life Masters or higher; average age 68; average length of membership 18 years

**Motion: Tony Farr/Leslie Wood moved that the membership report be accepted as presented. MSC**

**9. Building Bridge** Ted Eisner

- a. Starting March 28 weekly bridge lessons will be held at Vic High led by Nicole Dupuis with assistance from Jim Brackenbury, Alison Campbell, Ted Eisner, and Roy Saad.
- b. A Bridge in a Day program is scheduled for April 22 at Vic High and organized by Nicole Dupuis. Ted will approach the ACBL for funding dollars.

**Motion: Ele Gibson/Gail Richardson moved that the unit advance funds to a limit of \$300 in support of Bridge in a Day. MSC**

**10. Tournament Coordinator Report** Tony Farr

- a. Attendance at 2013 Tournament of Hearts down from 2012 possibly due to being held on same weekend as the Unit AGM and that eligible players were not contacted by phone. It was suggested that the date for 2014 tournament be chosen carefully and that players are contacted by phone.
- b. Tournaments:
  - 2014 Spring Sectional dates to be decided after 2013 tournament. I
  - Fall Sectional: Diane Moffatt to chair and Jan Soutar to assist Scheduled for September 5-7
  - Ace of Spades: Ted Eisner to chair and Pat Fullerton to assist

**Motion: Gayle Good/Ele Gibson moved that we raise the catering fee from \$300 to \$350 based on 30 hours at \$12/hr. MSC**

**Motion: Tony Farr/Ele Gibson moved that the unit set aside \$75 to use for caterer's assistant if needed. MSC**

**11. Newcomers' Game** Leslie Wood

- a. Suggested Free Play vouchers be handed out at Newcomers' game.
- b. The fee for non-members be significantly higher than that for members to encourage joining ACBL such as \$8 for non-members and \$2 for members

**12. New Business**

- a. Letter from Lorne Leader to Alison Campbell was read and discussed.

**Motion: Gayle Good/Gail Richardson moved that Gail talk to Alison and indicate our appreciation for her concern and her dedication to the mentor game. MSC**

- b. Discussion regarding non ACBL members participating in the Ace of Hearts and Ace of Spades tournaments. A concern was raised that this may create a non-level playing field. As there are no ACBL rules preventing this, our best approach is encourage purchase of membership at these events.

- c. Dates for future board meetings were decided as follows:  
May 9, June 20, July 28, and August 15.  
July 28 tentatively set to be a barbecue at Gail Richardson's house

**10. Termination of meeting** Ele Gibson  
There being no further business, the meeting terminated at 9 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Peggy Pepper  
Approved by Ele Gibson

## Summary of Action Items

All members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Wear name tags at every bridge event</li><li>• Assist where needed at Regional</li></ul>
Ele	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Send flyer to Leslie</li><li>• Meet at Bank of Montreal to change signing authority</li><li>• Talk to Ruth Cain and Doug Fraser re reporter/disciplinary chair positions</li></ul>
Diane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Meet at Bank of Montreal to change signing authority</li><li>• Chair Fall Sectional</li></ul>
Gail	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Talk to Alison Campbell</li><li>• Arrange for changes to signing authority at bank</li><li>• Meet at Bank of Montreal to change signing authority</li><li>• Talk to clubs about using Bridge Mates (after Regional)</li></ul>
Tony	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Determine chair for Christmas Party (not urgent)</li></ul>
Gayle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Arrange for engraving of Ace of Hearts trophy</li></ul>
Ted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Talk to clubs about using Bridge Mates (after Regional)</li><li>• Chair Ace of Spades tournament (fall)</li><li>• Contact ACBL re funds for Bridge in a Day event</li></ul>
Pat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Assist Ted with Ace of Spades tournament</li></ul>
Jan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Assist Diane with Fall Sectional</li></ul>
Peggy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Meet at Bank of Montreal to change signing authority</li></ul>
Leslie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Compose Bridge Buzz</li></ul>