

SBU Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting held: December 7, 2020, at 5:00 p.m., via Zoom teleconference

Board members in attendance: JC, Susan, Tom B, Monty, Ann, Ray, Bill, Scott, Karen, Tom L, David D, Mike

Board members absent: None

Also present: Incoming board members Cliff Feldman, Jeff Ford, Gene Gousie, Aidan Klein, and first alternate Carlyn Gauen.

1 SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

Ref	Motion	Moved By	Seconded By	Vote Result
20201207-1	Approve the minutes of the November meeting	Ann	David D	Carried, 12-0

2 SUMMARY OF ACTION ITEMS

2.1 ACTIONS ON HOLD

Action	Assigned To
Consider possible increase in entry fee for Unit tournaments.	Deferred until after it is known when sectional can resume
Review the Bylaws for possible changes.	Deferred until the new Board convenes
Consider changes to the Round Robin format to allow stratification to be maintained regardless of the number of sign-ups.	Deferred until 2021

2.2 ACTIONS CONTINUING (STILL OPEN)

Action	Assigned To
Inspect trailer and its contents for possible damage.	David D
Develop recommendations for ways to welcome newcomers to the Unit and to recognize achievements such as rank advancement.	Tom L and Karen

2.3 NEW ACTIONS

Action	Assigned To
Notify David D when the next bill for trailer storage is received.	Tom B

Action	Assigned To
Write those Unit members to be recognized for their service to the Unit and the game of bridge in the Seattle area.	JC
Submit names of masterpoint winners from the Round Robin to the ACBL	Ray and Jeff

3 SUMMARY OF AGENDA AND DISCUSSION

3.1 APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

On motion by Ann, seconded by David D, the minutes of the November meeting were approved unanimously.

3.2 REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS FROM NOVEMBER

Roger and Kyle have not responded to David D's request for access to the trailer. **Tom B will** let David D know when he receives the next bill for trailer storage, and a discussion will follow.

Tom L and Karen are still considering measures for welcoming new Unit members and recognizing accomplishments of existing members. They expect to report at the January meeting.

The remaining action items from November have been completed.

3.3 TREASURER'S REPORT

Tom B reported on the Unit's financial situation and responded to questions from Board members.

3.4 APPRECIATION NOMINATIONS

Before the meeting, several persons were proposed for recognition for service to the Unit and to the game of bridge in the area. At the meeting another person was identified by Board members. **JC will** write each of them expressing the Board's appreciation for their contributions. She requested that Board members send any additional names to her by December 14.

3.5 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held by Zoom teleconference, beginning at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, January 4, 2021.

3.6 NEW BUSINESS

Ray reported that play is complete in the Round Robin. **Ray and Jeff will** submit the names of masterpoint winners to the ACBL.

Jeff reported that the Mercercrest Bridge Club successfully ran a Swiss teams event using the RealBridge platform.

Ann reported that the boards of Next Gen Bridge and Bridge for Youth have each approved the merger of the two organizations. The merged organization will be known as "Bridge for Youth." She also

reported that about 60 young people are in bridge classes at various levels, and there will be an online youth tournament on December 18; table monitors are needed. Al Bender and David D are working up a curriculum that could be used by other teachers. Ann thanked the Board for its support for youth bridge, by providing publicity and otherwise.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Following the meeting, those in attendance informally discussed the roles and responsibilities of Unit officers, chairs, and committees, as a means of orientation for new members and preliminary identification of issues to be addressed in 2021. This informal discussion continued until 6:30 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for **5:00 p.m. on January 4, 2021.**

Respectfully submitted,

Monty Gray, Secretary