

SBU Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting held: May 3, 2021, at 5:00 p.m., via Zoom teleconference

Board members in attendance: JC, Susan, Tom B, Cliff, Bill, Scott, David, Aidan, Jeff, Gene (joining late: Tom L. and leaving early Gene, Jeff) Board members absent: Karen Also present: Ann Romeo

1. Summary of Motions

Ref	Motion	Moved By	Seconded By	Vote Result
	Approve the April meeting minutes.	JC	David	Carried unanimously
	To hold another Mentor/Mentee game in July and allow people so sign up as pairs meeting certain criterion.	Jeff	Scott	Carried unanimously
	To allow payments for the Round Robin to be accepted via Venmmo.	David	JC	Carried

2. Actions on Hold

Action	Assigned To
Consider possible increase in Sectional entry fee in light of rising costs.	Deferred until after the next live Sectional is held.
Trailer expired tags to be renewed after 5/21.	David/Tom B Deferred until 2 months before next time trailer is used

3. Actions Continuing

Action	Assigned To
How to run a Sectional, planning checklist and other resources to be documented for full Board.	JC, Ann

Informally contact Clubs re 2021 plans and inputs for Unit. See report below. To contact all for updates to Club pages on Unit website.	Cliff
Bylaw review committee had it's 1st meeting 2/27 and identified areas of interest. Second meeting still to be held.	JC still to be done
Finalize Welcome Packet for Board approval. Develop recommendations for ways to welcome newcomers to the Unit and to recognize achievements such as rank advancement.	Karen & Committee
Establish Mentoring sign up list for inclusion in Welcome Packet. So far 15 signups of varying levels. Need to determine how to distribute. Suggest a partnership matching page on Unit website.	Ann
Automate distribution of Welcome Packet upon completion. Subject to completion of above.	JC
Develop content of email survey for Board approval.	David w/assist from Cliff and Karen
Curate membership list to use as basis for email survey. Subject to completion of above. Report on Membership monthly	David
The remaining action items from April have been completed.	

4. New Actions

Action	Assigned To
Target last year's Round Robin and Home Style Swiss players for participation in upcoming Round Robin.	Scott/Ann
Advertise Club Trophy Point events in May.	JC
Book sites for 2022 tournaments beginning with Feb Sweetheart Sectional.	Ann
Review potential 2022 tourney dates submitted by Ann.	Board
Supply Kids Summer Camp blurb for email blast.	Ann

5. Summary of Agenda Discussion

5.1 Feedback from Clubs

Cliff spoke with Nick and Barbara. While Alki is closed permanently due to parking and traffic issues, Nick anticipates reopening SBC in July or August. He has no plans for hybrid games

and expects to implement Covid precautions after a survey of club members. Barbara will not reopen until other clubs have done so with success. She has no plans for Covid precautions. Expects online games to continue, but sees not future in hybrid games,. Eastside is just beginning reopening talks and is considering a tablet system and hybrid games.. Eastside will require vaccinations to play. Mercercrest is not yet discussing reopening and Husky cannot until its site becomes available.

5.2 Treasurer's Report

Tom B. sent separate report to Board by email. Balance on hand is \$56,786 as of April 30, 2021.

5.3 Publicity Update

JC reported that two email blasts were sent out in the past month with normal open rates.

5.4 May Event Status

Scott reported that the Mentor/Mentee game was a resounding success with 13 full tables. A motion passed to hold another game in July. It was discussed to allow people to sign up as pairs (meeting certain criterion.) Ann volunteered to assist for the July game.

Scott noted that the Club Trophy Point events in May need to be further advertised. The Kids tourney on May 16th to be included as well for youth trophy.

5.5 Round Robin

Scott was concerned that only 4 teams (3 open, 1B) had signed up to play. After some discussion the website was updated to allow for individuals or pairs to sign up and be teamed by the organizers. At least 8 teams are required to hold the event. Last year's Round Robin participants and players in the recurring Home Style Swiss will be targeted for participation. Jeff has applied for the sanction. See action items.

5.6 Tournaments in 2022

Ann distributed potential tourney dates to be reviewed by the Board before the June meeting. Venues have been contacted and potential dates have been shared with those responding. Typically, 6 events are held per year, but this will have to be reviewed in light of how the renewal of F-t-F bridge progresses.

5.7 How to Run a Sectional...ask us anything

This was deferred to a future meeting.

5.8 New Business

Upcoming D19 meeting on Tuesday, May 4th.

Membership declined an additional 1% month over month according to David. Membership report to be added to monthly agenda going forward.

Kids summer camp blurb to be provided by Ann for blast email. Ann noted that developing programs to promote and support bridge at colleges and universities is on the B4Y agenda.

The next meeting is scheduled for **5:00 p.m. on June 7, 2021 via Zoom.**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted, Cliff Feldman, Secretary