

CHICAGO CONTRACT BRIDGE ASSOCIATION
MINUTES
JUNE 26, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm by President Mark Stein via Zoom. Present and constituting a quorum were:

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| Phyllis Bartlett | Jim Diebel | Georgann Humphrey | Steve McConnell |
| Jan Churchwell | Tom Dressing | Loring Knoblauch | Jamie Rubenstein |
| Joe Connelly | Guy Franklin | Bob Maxson | Joe Stokes |

Absent: Bill Anspach, Suzi Subeck.

Also present: Matthew Dyer, Ben Fiske, Jacob Reinke

MINUTES (Jan Churchwell)

Phyllis Bartlett moved to accept the Minutes of the meeting of April 24. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATION: Jacob Reinke (Northwestern Univ.) informed the Board about the Northwestern bridge group, including that 8 players are going to the Providence NABC. Matthew Dyer had previously discussed CCBA support with Joe Stokes and the Education Committee. The group received some funding from the ACBL so no funding from the CCBA is sought at the moment. The Board agreed that funding and supplies (e.g., use of tables) would always be an option.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Tom Dressing)

Report sent out in advance of the meeting. President Stein and Dressing will discuss a complete budget for the CCBA.

OLD BUSINESS

By-laws Revision (Mark Stein)

President Stein and Bill Anspach to review the By-laws.

Handbook (Jan Churchwell)

The Handbook was sent to all Board members in separate sections for easier management. Jan suggested that much of the data in the Appendices (past Presidents, Award winners, etc.) should be kept in an online archive rather than in the "hard copy." Bill Anspach had suggested that the Handbook be renamed "CCBA Policy Manual" since its contents include more than procedures.

Windy City Regional (Loring Knoblauch)

Parking fee will be \$5. CCBA Policy is never to put financial information in a flyer, but the parking fee and other financial details can/should be included in all other publicity.

Flyers will be delivered to Jeremiah.

COMMITTEES

I/N (Guy Franklin)

Guy would like to hold an I/N Tournament in 2023 and will look for a site. He is assuming an available committee budget of \$500 based on the last published budget.

Matthew Dyer is working with UC and NU bridge groups.

There will be speakers at the Windy City Tournament, and Suzi Subeck will send a blast email and handle signage for the tournament.

Guy said he welcomes ideas for promoting bridge education; Board members should feel free to contact him.

Website (Jan Churchwell)

The committee met via Zoom on April 21 and agreed to go forward with hiring someone to update the website. Various basic points were agreed on. The committee would like to get three quotes; Tom Dressing is one of the three. Steve McConnell moved to approve up to \$1500 for updating expenses. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

CCBA Wednesday Night Game (Mark Stein): The game has not been profitable. After discussion Tom Dressing moved to close it. The motion was not seconded, and the Board agreed to keep the game running, but allow it to be cancelled without further Board action if it continues to run at a loss.

Labor Day Tournament (Bob Maxson): Jim Diebel is shadowing. Past Chair Todd Fisher will review arrangements with Bob. Guy Franklin will not be available to handle Partnerships.

The meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.

Next regularly scheduled meeting: August 28. Time and place TBA.

Jan Churchwell
Secretary

MOTIONS

The Minutes of the April 24 Board Meeting were approved. Phyllis Bartlett moved. \$1500 was approved for website design costs. Steve McConnell moved.