

Chicago Contract Bridge Association Board of Directors Meeting August 19, 2002

The CCBA Board of Directors meeting, held at First Congregational Church, was called to order by President Frank Chadwell at 6:58 p.m. Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

Frank Chadwell	Tom Dressing	Tom Sucher	Angie Clark	John Goldstein
Len Myers	Laverne Wiebe	Bob Ward	Ann Majchrowicz	Ginny Schuette
Jim Kolb	Harriette Buckman			

Also Attending: Gerry Szynski, Jim Chiszar, Patty Chiszar, Peggy Jackson, and Linda Hargnett.

Absent: Carl Sharp, Kay Hathaway, Jackie Addis

Re: Mentoring policy: Hathaway to e-mail the recording secretary regarding the mentoring policy to fill in the previous minutes.

Re: Sponsorship Committee: A dinner meeting will be held to decide on structure and general direction of this committee.

Re: Bonding: Jim Chiszar will contact the ACBL to determine the bonding procedure.

Re: Nominating Committee: It was pointed out that Tom Sucher could not be appointed chairman of the nominating committee since his term is also expiring. As such, Frank Chadwell appointed John Goldstein to lead the nominating committee for this year.

A motion was made by Buckman to accept the minutes of June 9, 2002 as amended. Seconded by Kolb. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

- SummerFest revenues were ~\$11,500 which was ~\$5000 over budget.

Old Business:

Labor Day Tournament:

- An issue regarding directions to drive to the site. Flyers were sent to La Barge's game. The website has a map currently posted.
- Food will not be provided, but think 'snacks' rather than 'meal'. We need to be publish this fact. It will not be able to handle the volume of people. Signs need to be posted to have people bring their own food (to be eaten in the provided area!!)
- Angie will call the village hall for licensed vendors for food trucks.

Purchasing Honorary Titles:

- Goldstein presented the events that were suggested to be offered for sponsorship.
- A number of amounts were bantered about, but no decision could be arrived at.
- A suggestion for a time limit was suggested by Buckman, as per the Women's' National event after Mz. Sternberg (sp?) for \$50,000 for 20 years.
- The living status, disciplinary status of the member was discussed.
- John urged the board to read his recommendations (via e-mail) and be ready to approve at the next meeting.

Nominating Committee:

- Bob Ward was chosen as the third member from the board for the committee.
- One member has chosen not to return to the board (Tom Dressing).
- The committee will be meeting at the home of Harriette Buckman.

Polish Seminar:

- Chiszar talked to Tad Hofkin who is getting an agenda together. Time frame for presentation will be in September/October.

New Business:

CCBA Handbook:

- Weibe passed out the current revision of the board.
- The board applauds the Lavern's efforts in this document. It is well put together. A number of board members (you know who you are) have not responded. We need to finish of the Committee Roles and the Awards sections.

CCBA Web Site:

- Dressing volunteered to continue updating the website.
- He noted that maybe a total of three people offered to maintain the website, none via the web itself.
- The web now has the facility to accept results from the club. See the link "At the Clubs" on the left. This function is currently in testing.
- Web site costs have been reduced to only \$15/month from \$25/month.

Chairs and Equipment:

- Chairs will be stored at Jackson Storage. We **still** don't have a count on the number of chairs.
- A sound system will be purchased shortly by the district, for \$880. A discussion as to the ability to cover the size of the room at our regional.

Tournament Dates:

- A number of dates were proposed out to May 2003 for the GNT.
- For 2003 an additional 299'er Sectional has been approved - Oct 11/12.

Data Verification of Publications:

- There are two issues here: Verification, and Proofing.
- The secretary cannot publish flyers until the Tournament Chair has approved all content. The tournament chair is responsible for **all** verification. He will pull in all resources necessary to complete this task.
- We will use the other respondents (Gardner, Buckman, and Burt) for Proofing of the Kibitzer.

Committee Reports

Finance Committee - Myers

- The finance committee met and presented its findings to the board. There was a 11 item list handed out at the meeting. Discussion followed to understand each point.
- Wiebe indicated that he was not in favor of providing free plays to board members and asked that the board be polled. The board was in favor of providing some compensation to its members by a vote of 9 to 3. The other two dissenting votes were Clark and Myers.
- Motion by Buckman to accept the points from the finance committee as amended, seconded by Sucher. The motion carried.

Communications - Dressing:

- Another request for publication dates and lead-time was made to Kibitzer.
- An issue of the software incompatibility was raised.
- A request for proofing was stressed.

Site - Kolb:

- For November 2003 the Lindner Center has offered to move their retreat to accommodate us for the second weekend November. We would like to make a two or three year recommendation.

Membership Committee: - P. Chiszar

- On 6:30, August 28th, there will be a meeting to discuss the forming of a membership owned club.
- Their goal is to have a club in the city still operating.
- They respectfully request the CCBA board, either by grant or by loan, to assist this club to start up.

NABC Report - Buckman:

- Harriette handed out the highlights from the July 2002 board meeting.
- She also showed the board a copy of the Bulletin that will be appearing in our mailbox in Jan 2003. A savings of \$50,000 will be realized from the combining of a number of publications (catalog, master point recaps et. al).

- The gaming fee for non-ACBL membership game play will be increased from \$1.00 to \$2.00 next year.
- The Bridge Pro Tour has requested us to be a sponsor starting next year at our summer tournament. There is a commitment by the sponsor, Larry King (not the TV one) of \$60,000. (\$20,000/year for 3 years). We need to be able to promote the event and provide a site. Angie Clark would like to volunteer her services to aid in its creation. John Goldstein to review contracts.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, October 7, 2002 at the First Congregational Church in Elmhurst at 7:00 pm. There being no further business for the board to discuss, a motion to adjourn at 10:27p.m was made by Wiebe. Seconded by Goldstein. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,



Tom Dressing
Secretary, CCBA
Unit 123

Summary of Action Items:

- Produce signs notifying about the food policy for Monday.
- All Board Members - Read the CCBA Handbook and comment on its contents!

Summary of Motions:

- Motion by Buckman to accept the points from the finance committee as amended, seconded by Sucher. The motion carried.

Finance Committee Report – Jackie Addis, Harriette Buckman, Len Myers met on May 19, 2002 – This summary documents their decisions (as amended by the board on Aug 19, 2002)

1. The DIC will not normally give out cash during the event. Exceptions: caddies; hotel; the master account; and other pre-arranged items. In case of an emergency, of course we won't be dogmatic. The DIC is encouraged to convert cash periodically into other asset forms at CCBA cost.
2. The various tournament chairs will fill out a simple expense report following the tournament for the most prompt reimbursement the CCBA can attain. These forms will be given to the tournament chair. Major items will be documented with a receipt. It's even better if they are billed. If minor receipts are missing, we will check for reasonability.

The tournament chair will examine the expenses and submit the forms to the unit administrative secretary.

A chair who expects expenses may ask for (and get) a check in advance.

3. Recommended total tipping allowance for a tournament will be based on this formula: \$100 for each weekend day and \$75 for each weekday. This is an aggregate limit, not a daily limit. An additional \$50 for sectional fruit delivery and an additional \$100 for regional fruit delivery also applies.
4. Board members will be given non-transferrable free plays to cover four sessions of bridge at each regional, provided they wear their CCBA board member pins.
5. For Regionals and Sectionals, hotel room nights shall be allocated as needed to these people: President; Tournament Chair; Tournament co-Chair (if applicable); Partnership Chair; Hospitality Chair; I/N chair; Annual Membership Dinner Chair (if applicable); "Daily Breeze" editor (if applicable).
6. The following may distribute free plays at their discretion: Tournament Chair; Hospitality Chair; Partnership Chair; I/N Chair.
7. Per Diems at IRS-approved levels will be allocated to the Tournament Chair; the Hospitality Chair; the Partnership Chair; and the I/N Chair.