

PITTSBURGH BRIDGE ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING
April 13, 2012

ATTENDANCE:

Present: A. Ulke, B. Bergman, K. Bergman, M. P. Carns, W. Holt, L. Joseph, J. Marshall, R. Neafach, W. Seran, C. Shanahan

Absent: R. Franck, M. McNeirney, M. Painter, P. Silver

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by President Asim Ulke.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Asim welcomed new member Ruthie Neafach.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes from the previous meeting of February 17 were previously e-mailed to the members. The minutes were approved.

CORRESPONDENCE

John Bernhard applied for a sanction for an invitational game to be held Sunday evenings. This game will automatically be sanctioned in early May if the board has no objection. He also asked to have his game advertised on the PBA webpage. There was a discussion as to whether the board should provide services (advertising; posting of game results & game information on the PBA webpage) for invitational games. The conclusion is that no private games, invitational or not, will be advertised, but all sanctioned games may have webpage services.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jane distributed and reviewed the treasurer's report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Friendship/Condolence—NR

Post Mortem—Lou reported that all is going well.

Education—Lou reported that classes start on Monday. There will be approximately 3 tables for the intermediate classes.

Business Manager—Alex Bealles was paid a \$30 bonus for the Newcomer Swiss because of the large turnout.

Building Manager—Asim reported that players are still putting liquids in the trash, and leaving trash around the room after games. Lou will publish a request in the Post Mortem for players to stop these behaviors.

Membership—NR

Webmaster—NR

District 5 and National News—Mary reported that Chase Bonnette (St. Clairsville, OH) and Jeffrey Tsang (representing Pittsburgh, currently living in Toronto) won the National Finals of the Flight C NAOP. The Board offered congratulations to these players.

Club Liaison—Bill had no report. Barb reported that there were no fliers for the sectional at Rodef. Bill will send email to all club representatives when events come up.

OLD BUSINESS

Pupil Games—Lou reported that Lorraine Hanna has been holding 2 games per month. Most recently there were 5 tables. The program will be reevaluated at the next meeting.

Bridge in 1 Day—Bill reported that he and Lorraine contacted Patty Tucker who has run this program at many places.

- She sells an annual license for \$150 to use all of her materials, including a Power Point presentation and books. Printing costs per pupil are \$10. She charges \$35 to \$120 per day, and makes money charging \$35.
- She ran the program for schoolteachers in the Memphis area for free. Twelve of twenty-five participants started after-school programs. Of 306 students participating in these programs, 64 attended the Spring NABC.
- Issues to be discussed are how to recruit students; how to advertise; where to advertise (Senior centers, Teacher associations, Senior living places).
- Bill thinks we should pursue this, and the board agreed. A teacher or teachers will need to be recruited and a date and site chosen. One possibility would be Saturday during the Regional, when space is already available.

299er Swiss Teams (March 10)—Bill reported that there were 22 teams; players had a good time; Darlene Mannheimer and the Bergmans volunteered their services.

Spring Sectional (April 27 – 29)—Barb reported that all is ready.

Awards Night (May 18)—Lou is in charge but will be out of town for the event. Lou will prepare the awards lists and certificates. Mary has the medallions and Ace of Clubs certificates. Bill will MC and Barb Bergman will help. Ron and Shirley Franck will provide refreshments.

Fossick-Goodman Game (June 3)—Will be held at Edgewood Country Club.

Summer Sectional (July 6 – 8)—Bill and Ron will be ready. Fliers will be out in time to take to Cleveland for the Regional.

Date and Site for Pro-Am game—Asim reported that our preferred dates aren't available at Rodef. Wed Oct. 10 is being explored (we'd need permission from Moon Area Duplicate, who has a game on Wednesday evenings).

NEW BUSINESS

STaC Week June 11 - 17—Mary reported that registration is going well. PBA Unit game Friday evening is participating.

Thursday STaC Game June 14—Barb Bergman is in charge. Game is at Glenshaw Moose; Gus is directing.

Representatives to District 5 Meeting—The meeting is May 27 in Independence, OH at the Holiday Inn, between sessions. Mary and Lou attend *ex officio*. Our other representatives will be Asim Ulke, Barb Bergman, Jane Marshall, and Ken Bergman.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is will be held on June 8, 2012 at 6:00 PM at Wilkins.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM.