

Minutes of the Northern Kentucky Bridge Club Meeting
May 11, 2010

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by the President, Cindy Tretter.

Attendance

Cindy Tretter, Cordell Coy, Mary Ann Boyle, Ron Jarchow, Michi Natsume, Imogene Enzweiler.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were read by the secretary, and upon motion of Cordell Coy, second by Mary Ann Boyle, the minutes of the meeting of April 2, 2010 were approved.

Old Business

Treasurer's Report

Mary Ann Boyle reported that she had filed the appropriate tax form prior to the April 15 deadline. There were no taxes due, nevertheless, we have to file a not-for-profit tax return. Mary Ann gave the following report:

Gross income for April		1,489.50
Expenses:		
Church rent	100.00	
ACBL	133.83	
Coffee, etc.	76.69	
Flowers - Jackie Swango	26.49	
Club supplies	129.05	
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Cards	6.00	(497.06)
Net income:		992.44
Balance in checking account:		\$9,714.51

Upon motion of Ron Jarchow, second by Cordell Coy, the Treasurer's Report was approved.

Club Manager's Report

In the absence of Sheila Dippel, the Club Manager, Cindy reminded everyone that as Sheila announced at today's game, Thursday's game will be held at 12:30 p.m. rather than at 11:30 a.m. on May 13th. The day game on May 13 is a international game and the ACBL wants all games held anywhere to start as close to 1:00 p.m. as possible. Due to the Mentor/Mentee night game at CBA on Thursday, it was thought best to start at 12:30 p.m. rather than the 1:00 hour. Notice will be posted on our website.

Psyche Bid Policy

The committee has not been able to have meetings so it is still a work-in-progress.

New Business

Education

Betty Hurst said she was approached at last week's CBA tournament by Mike Purcell, Chairman of Education at CBA. Mike inquired if we were holding any classes. Currently there are none scheduled in our area except for the 10:30 a.m. class on Saturdays at Boone County Bridge Club. Mike wanted to know our thoughts on one or two of their

teachers holding a class over in our area. Mary Ann Boyle offered that several people asked about lessons. Betty said that people really didn't want to go over to Cincinnati for lessons. When lessons are given at CBA, space is rented to the teachers, CBA collects the fees. CBA Board has to approve the teachers before they are allowed to conduct the class. The only day of the week NKYB would have available is on a Wednesday, and then that would depend on whether or not we can get the space and time slot we want once we return to Elsmere Senior Center. If we had classes here, we again would have to get permission from the Church. Cindy will contact Mike Purcell to get more details on this matter.

NKYB Directory

Cordell Coy reported that a number of people expressed the idea that the addresses of the members should also included in the directory. After some discussion, motion was made by Mary Ann Boyle, second by Cordell Coy, that the next directory when published will include the addresses of the membership, motion carried.

New Life Masters

Mary Lou Zurborg and Tonya Glendening have reached the Life Master status. We will celebrate with a cake in their honor and check with them to make sure of the date when they both will be in attendance.

Open Forum

Courtney Thurman brought up the use of a clock that would be displayed so that all players can see when the time is up for a round of play. There is one on display via the computer, but not all directors use it, and it is a very good idea to use it all the time. Referring to previous minutes it was pointed out that a clock is on Sheila's list to purchase one for the club.

Courtney complimented Sheila's introduction of the variety of games that have been introduced for our enjoyment, such as the "individual" and "battle of the sexes" games. There were a lot of positive comments on the selection of this type of program.

Courtney brought up the zero tolerance matter that has been addressed a number of times at meetings, but still feels that a more positive form of action needs to be taken to remedy a continuing violation of the zero tolerance rule. A complaint was filed as late as April 10, 2010, again involving the same players. More than a few players have expressed their dismay at playing at our club where actions by the same offenders hinders their enjoyment of the game. Somewhere there ought to be a register of any and all complaints to track the time between occurrences to see if more severe penalties are necessary according to the guidelines set by the Zero Tolerance Committee and stated in the minutes of the meeting of the club on June ____, 2006. The penalties established by the Zero Tolerance Committee were read by the secretary and are as follows:

First time:	25% of 1 board penalty per person
Second time:	50% penalty of 1 board pre person
Third time:	one month suspension
Fourth time:	6 months suspension
Fifth time:	1 year suspension "

A review of the complaint form showed that it did not include penalties for infractions of the rule and it was agreed that the penalties should be stated on the form. Also, the President of the Club will include on the Agenda for all meetings "Zero Tolerance." A report will be given on any infractions and a timeline will effectively be established to see if more severe penalties need be assessed for continuing violations.

Motion for Adjournment

Upon motion of Michi Natsume, second by Mary Ann Boyle, the meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Imogene Enzweiler
Secretary

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