

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Northern Kentucky Bridge Club

July 13, 2010

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called order at 2:05 p.m. by the President, Cindy Tretter.

### **Attendance**

Cindy Tretter, Cordell Coy, Imogene Enzweiler, Mary Ann Boyle, and Sheila Dippel.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Upon motion of Sheila Dippel, second by Cordell Coy, the minutes of the meeting of June 8, 2010 as posted on the club's website were approved.

### **Old Business**

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Mary Ann Boyle reported a gross income for June in the amount of \$735.00. Expenses, including church rental \$100.00; cakes \$40.00; social cards \$13.92; ACBL fees \$211.68, and toner for printer \$85.85, came to a total of \$451.45, showing a net income of \$283.55. Balance on hand in the checking account as of July 1, 2010 I \$9,471.88. While we were at the Presbyterian Church for two weeks in July, it was determined that the club should pay the \$100.00 to the church for July. \$420.00 was collected from our club members and that amount was given in cash to the church for its generosity in allowing us to use their facility as a temporary site. We will need a receipt from the church for this amount and it needs to be reported to ACBL as our club having made a charitable contribution. Upon motion by Imogene Enzweiler, second by Cordell Coy, the Treasurer's Report was approved.

#### **Club Manager's Report**

Sheila reported that the Stac Games were successful for which we had to pay ACBL \$240.00, and our club earned \$80.00.

The club needed more convention cards and 1,000 have been ordered. Regular playing cards are also needed and there are two sources of supply: the first being that one of our club members, Evelyn Hance had come across some cards at a flea market and she purchased them thinking that the club could use them. At least nineteen of the cards purchased are usable by our club. The second source is the out of state contact that Sheila had earlier in the year. We were looking to buy boards as well as playing cards, but the man only has cards at this time, so we will wait until we can get the boards and the cards at the same time.

We are looking into a second computer on which to program our timing device for play of the hands, at a cost of not more than \$100.00.

The starting time for our Thursday game would need to remain at 11:30 a.m. as there are still activities in the lower area prior to our game schedule. When we remove the tables and chairs after our games, we can line chairs up around the window areas (as many as we can) and the card tables and remaining chairs go into the closet space.

Our club has scheduled a charity game for the first week in August for the benefit of the Elsmere Senior Center; however, after having made a charitable gift to the church, the proceeds of our next immediate charity event will have to go to ACBL. Thus, we need to set another date for a charity game for the Senior Center. It was agreed that August 13, 2010 be designated as a charity game for the benefit of the Senior Center. Discussion evolved around our designating the charity donation to be used for specific projects much like we did for the church water heater.

Motion was made by Sheila Dippel, second by Mary Ann Boyle, that the club specify the use of the club's donation of our charity game proceeds to the Senior Center, such as as shelving and coat racks in the closets. Motion carried.

### **Report from Psych Committee**

Rick O'Connor presented the Board with copy of a partial summary of a recent meeting of the Psych Committee regarding psychs and illegal bids. All club directors and members of the Board were invited to the recent meeting, but some were not able to attend. The summary was not presented to the Board for approval at this time, but only as a gesture to show that some progress is being made in resolving certain issues. *(After the meeting, Rick contacted the ACBL and found out that the club could not ban psych bids)*. The Psych Committee and Sheila will meet on July 23, 2010 after our club game in an attempt to iron out some unresolved issues.

### **Education**

Motion was made by Cordell Coy, second by Sheila Dippel, that we form an Education Committee for our club. Motion carried. Cindy asked the members if any would volunteer to serve on the committee. Cindy Tretter volunteered to chair the committee.

### **Garden Area**

Cindy Tretter as well as all the officers applauded Jean Sturtevant on the design and planting of the garden, and thanked Jean and everyone who helped in planting the garden. Upon motion of Imogene Enzweiler, second by Cordell Coy, to reimburse Jean for the additional expense necessary to complete the garden, the Treasurer was authorized to pay her upon tendering the receipts.

Further discussion arose regarding a significant plaque for the "shade garden" recognizing the contribution our club has made to the garden. Jean Sturtevant will research this idea and bring suggestions to the club for approval.

### **BCBC**

Cindy wanted to know if we knew anything more about the booklet Gary Fan offered to publish for one of our games. Discussion brought out that Gary offered to write the book at a cost of \$1.00 and our club approved the purchase 40 books at a cost to the club of \$40.00; however, it was later learned that Gary wanted to write the booklet at a cost of \$1.00 to us, but the cost of printing and distribution would be the club's responsibility. Until we get an agreement on the specifics, no further action will be taken.

Imogene Enzweiler brought up the idea that if BCBC would provide a significant amount of bathroom supplies (toilet paper, hand towels, hand soap), it should not be necessary for NKYB and BCBC to keep a separate supply and displace NKYB's supplies with BCBC supplies for the one day a week that BCBC uses the Senior Center. While there was no motion made, there was a general agreement that this would be acceptable.

### **Move back to Elsmere**

Cindy thanked everybody for their hard work and effort in making the move back to Elsmere. The move was accomplished within about a two and a half hour period. Many people volunteered their vehicles and stayed and helped on Friday, July 9, to get the job done. She said that on Saturday, July 10, Sheila and Ken Dippel, along with Jean Sturtevant worked very hard in emptying the rest of the boxes and stocked the kitchen cabinets.

### **Ashtray**

Cindy said that now that we have such a nice garden area, we should look into the area of an outside ashtray. A few years back an ashtray was by the door, but had been removed. The Center was going to install an ashtray, but that has yet to be done. Cindy will talk to Carol, the Manager, about the ashtray.

### **Refrigerator**

The white refrigerator that was taken to the Presbyterian Church was left there since the Senior Center installed a beautiful new refrigerator. After some discussion it was determined that our refrigerator should really be brought back here since the Center sometimes likes to store pizzas, etc., and we should have our own refrigerator.

**Chairs**

The lounge-type and folding chairs have been removed, and we now have less chairs than before, so we should think about purchasing some more stackable chairs. Cordell Coy volunteered to check out resources for stackable chairs.

**New Business**

Mary Ann Boyle said that six different persons complained to her that there is no consistency among directors regarding late plays. Sometimes the games are ended fifteen to twenty minutes later than usual (mostly on Wednesday evenings). It was noted that if players have picked up their cards out of the boards and started bidding, you cannot forbid them to complete the hand. Directors just have to watch that if within three minutes of the time, that the last board has not been touched, then the players will have to go on to the next round and at the end have a late play.

Mary Ann presented to the board a paper regarding clubs sponsoring a game at the Nationals in 2011. This could cost as little as \$100.00. You could name the game "Northern Kentucky Day" or whatever you want. This subject will be brought up at another meeting.

Mary Ann suggested that we have a few more garbage cans around the room, rather than just at the kitchen area.

**Adjournment**

Cordell Coy motioned for adjournment, second by Mary Ann Boyle. Meeting adjourned at 3:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Imogene Enzweiler  
Secretary