



Canberra Bridge Club

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Minutes –Wednesday 15 May 2019 at 1.30 pm

Attendance: Pam Crichton, John Hempenstall, Sue Pillans, Mary Tough, , Ian Robinson, Perelle Scales, John Brockwell, Lyn Turner, Patricia McDonald, Cathi Bywater, Claire Hughes

Apologies: Margaret Kyburz, Richard Hills

1. Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 6th March were accepted. Proposed Patricia McDonald seconded Mary Tough

2. Business arising from previous minutes

2.1.1 Barry Turner Fund subsidy for international players, this has gone ahead and 4 players were offered subsidy

2.1.3 **Filming at the table** the recorders did not agree with this and Pam has discussed the decision with Chris Stead.

3. President's Report:

Nothing to raise this meeting

4. Managers' Report:

See report

5. Treasurer's Report:

5.1 Financial Procedures Report

Moved John Brockwell, seconded Ian Robinson, that the meeting

- (i) Sincerely thanks Earl Dudley and Allen Scerri for their financial procedures report,
- (ii) fully endorses the content of the report, and
- (iii) Undertakes to implement its recommendations in those instances where appropriate implementation is not already in place. Carried.

5.2 Moved Lyn Turner, seconded Ian Robinson, that

The committee endorses the following Spending Authority Policy:

- i) CBC managers have the authority to pay all general expenditure of a recurring nature. Where an urgent issue arises, eg plumbing, approval is given to spend up to \$500
- ii) All other expenditure is subject to the approval of the CBC committee

In the case of need for urgent expenditure arising between committee meetings, two of the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary and Tournament Secretary may approve expenditure up to \$2000.

iii) Any monies approved in this fashion will be reported to the Committee at the next Committee meeting. Carried.

6. Directing report:

6.1 Evelyn Perry has recently been employed as a dealer

6.2 We need boxes to store boards. John Hempenstall will approach a company in Fyswick

7. Committee Reports:

7.1 Membership and promotions: Nothing to report

7.2 Tournament and Calendar:

See report

John Brockwell notified the committee that he has convened a Substitutions Adjustment sub-committee, consisting of himself, Peter Waight, David Hoffman and Niek van Vucht.

7.3 Employment and Contract:

7.3.1 A new Dealer has been employed

7.4 House:

7.4.1 Gate – the written quote has been received. John Hempenstall will talk to the contractor.

7.4.2 Four exit lights have been replaced, as advised by Pacific FM. More cheaply thanks to John's sourcing of the product.

John has put LED lights in the carpark lights at the front, again saving on electricity costs. Spitfires still need to be done.

7.4.3 Problems with the front door seem to have been fixed but the repairer said that the door may need to be replaced due to age.

Another issue is that the security company sends Ian (and others?) texts – unclear whether they are not receiving the signal from the club or the alarm is not on, or has been set off.

Someone needs to talk to the company.

Are we incurring any call out charges due to non-response to texts?

If we do not have a landline in future what would be the situation with the security company.

7.5 Social and Congress

7.5.1 The Quiz Night on 11 May raised \$944 to be split between CBC and Barnardos. The committee wholeheartedly thanked Richard Hills for his work on this event in recent years but decided that the club should try other fundraising events next year. The committee also thanked Chris Stead for his work for the event this year.

7.5.2 Southern Tablelands Teams – arrangements discussed

7.5.3 Ballarat visit – not yet known if this is happening this year

7.5.4 Teams of 3 will be held on Sunday afternoon 25 August, one session. Volunteers to be invited to the drinks.

7.5.5 Melbourne Cup: a variety of comments received

Committee decided to change from the previous format. More focus on high tea style of food. Bridge from 11am possibly.

7.6 Education

7.6.1 Will Jenner O'Shea weekend 22 – 23 June

Advertising on the tables may help.

7.6.2 Bridge 4 Kids went well, a couple of different helpers

7.6.3 Kantar lessons were very popular; but we don't want to overdo them

7.6.4 Mentoring in May is progressing; perhaps fewer participants this year.

7.6.5 Joan Butts sent a message to Barb Toohey telling her of praise from CBC members for the Teaching/Supervised program.

7.7 BFACT

ABF is changing their funding arrangements with the states; marketing grants are being reduced. This will have an impact on CBC. Clubs can apply to the ABF for funding in relation to social media advertising, of lessons for example.

7.8 Evening Players Sub-Committee - nothing to report

7.9 Website Sub-Committee – nothing to report

8 Correspondence - nil

9. Other Business

9.1 Cathi Bywater would like another small bookcase for the library – John Hempenstall will look into it.

9.2 The committee agreed to donate \$100 to Bridge 4 Brains, following the recent session played in the club.

9.3 Claire raised the question of electricity costs and sought permission for access to ACTEWAGL website to look at our usage in 15-minute blocks.

9.3 Saving tags off teabags untidy

9.4 do we need paper 'bags' over the tea bags

9.5 Too many jars being kept on kitchen benches

Next meeting: 26 June 1.30

The meeting closed at 3.40