

**Annual Summer Meeting  
New Hampshire Bridge Association  
September 11, 2016**

**MINUTES**

The 2016 Summer Meeting of the New Hampshire Bridge Association Board of Directors (ACBL Unit 150) was held at 111 Atherton Ave., Nashua, NH and was called to order by president Sarah Widhu at 1:05 PM. In attendance were: Nora Miller, Barry Rogoff, Anne McCune, Claire Gardner, Ryan Hickey, Marshall Thomas, Jane Verdrager, and Wayne Burt.

**President Report – Sarah Widhu**

- The 2017 State Championship will be June 3-4. Sarah is responsible for reserving the room and will notify the Board when this is done.
- Sarah addressed the need for delegating responsibility for different aspects of the tournament.

                    In Memoriam                      Anne McCune who will maintain the list and send  
additions

	To Barry for posting on the website
Food orders	Nora Miller
Flyer revision	Nora Miller & Claire Gardner
Seeding	Anne McCune & Nora Miller
Entry sales	Claire Gardner & Jane Verdrager
Trophy set up	Marshall Thomas

- The 2017 State Championship flyer needs revision:
  - The flyer will have a tear-off entry slip that has no critical information on the back.
  - The entry slip will state that the requirements for Flight C are Non-LM pairs with 0-500 point average as of 5/6/2017.
  - The flyer will state “only Saturday qualifiers will be eligible for finals on Sunday”
  - The mailed-in entry slips will be addressed to Nora but walk-in entries will be accepted as space allows.
  - Barry will put the 2017 flyer into Google Slides so that those interested can edit it. Initially, the editors will be Claire and Nora.
- The NHBA Spring Sectional will be March 25-26, 2017. Barry will continue to be responsible for sectional flyers.
- The Sectionals broke even; Rivier is happy; there are no complaints
- The April 2017 date is not available at Rivier, so it will be rescheduled to March 25/26, 2017

**Vice-President Report – Larr Cheetham**

- Not present.

**Unit Secretary Report – Jane Verdrager**

- Add Wayne Burt to the minutes from the 2016 Annual Meeting.
- Ann McCune moved to accept the minutes with the revision, seconded by Claire Gardner and approved unanimously

### **Treasurer Report - Nora Miller**

- There was discussion about the cost of the trophies and the possibility of considering other alternatives.
- Janes moved to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Marshall Thomas and approved unanimously
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### **Membership Report - Anne McCune**

- There was discussion about the possibility of investigating bridge programs in public schools and also of organizing another bridge camp week of instruction in another part of the state. Jane will share the contact information.

### **Website/Pianola Report – Barry Rogoff**

- Google Drive, Google Docs, Google Slides, and Google Sheets will be used as a central repository for active Unit 150 documents.
  - A motion was made by Marshall Thomas that all documents be kept on file for five years and Leroy Lake awards list be kept forever, seconded by Claire Gardner and approved unanimously
  - No historical documents will be added except as necessary for templates.
  - Anyone who needs instruction in using Google Drive and related applications will contact Barry.
- Too many players are unaware of the NHBA website and Pianola. This problem must be addressed at the club level but there was no agreement on this topic.
- The **Chief Scorer** role assignment in Pianola allows deletion and re-uploading of club results. Anyone who needs it will contact Barry.
- The Unit 150 calendar on the NHBA website is stale.
  - Barry will continue to add District 25 events but will make changes in club schedules only as requested..
  - Any club manager or director can change their own schedule. Contact Barry for help.
- The NHBA will continue to use Pianola for the present. The question will be revisited at a future Board meeting.
- Group mailings to the Unit 150 membership through Pianola have resulted in AOL spam button reports, which can get Pianola blacklisted. The Board will not use these anymore.

### **District Report**

- News from the district executive committee meetings is positive. All tournament are profitable and all venues are satisfactory. No action is required on the part of the NHBA Board.

### **Tournament Committee Report**

- Available dates for future tournaments were discussed in detail and chosen.

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| ▪ April 21/22  | Nashua & Grantham NLM |
| ▪ August 24/26 | Nashua                |
| ▪ Sept. 29/30  | Grantham              |
| ▪ November 3/4 | Nashua                |

2019	April 6/7	Nashua & Eastman NLM
	August 17/18	Nashua
	September 28/29	Grantham
	November 2/3	Nashua
2020	April 25/26	Nashua and Eastman
	August 22/23	Nashua
	September 26/27	Grantham
	November 14/15	Nashua

- Sanction applications will be submitted as far in advance as possible, usually 2-3 years
- New tournament locations are still needed, particularly for the State Championship. No specific responsibility for finding new locations has been assigned.
- Tournament set up, clean up, snacks has been satisfactory but additional help is needed in transporting, setting up, and taking down tables.
- Leroy Lake award (Joan Cook, Claire Gardner, Bruce Downing)

#### **Old Business**

- Purchase of more tables for sectionals has been completed.
- No additional resources are needed to allow a single director to cover multiple rooms at sectionals.
- All future sectional flyers will advertise Grass Roots games.
- Donation of money to District 25 to support GNT (and NAP?)

#### **New Business**

- A motion made by Ryan Hickey that audio recording of Unit 150 meetings for accurate minutes is permitted. The recordings will be deleted when the minutes are finished. This was seconded by Ann McCune and passed unanimously
- The discussion clarified that Non-Board members are not allowed to make motions or vote at the Annual Meeting except for the election of board members and changes to the Bylaws only.
- Online teleconferencing for NHBA meetings can be arranged when needed at no cost to the Unit.
- Name badges for Board members were discussed. Jane will make name tags for everyone.
- It was suggested that we have a "suggestion box" at tournaments