

New Hampshire Bridge Association

Draft Minutes

June 3, 2012

Attendees: Lila Berry, Wayne Burt, Jim Felch, John Maxwell, Dan McGuire, Peter Mitchell, Lance Ribeiro, Rick Weinstein (late), Sarah Widhu

Called to order by Wayne at 11:35am.

Secretary's Report – Dan

Dan handed out the Feb 4 minutes and a list of 16 unit games. Dan will look to see if some unit charity games are available for Nashua. Rick moves to accept the minutes, Jim seconds, unanimous.

Treasurer's Report – Jim

Jim handed out the same report as the last board meeting. Discussion. We lost about \$300 at the Mother's Day Sectional. Geoff suggests an audit and spending some money on insurance. Usually two members take the books and verify receipts, etc. Maureen Weiman did it last time. Dan moves that Wayne appoint an audit committee of two with a budget of up to \$150 to conduct an audit to be finished by the end of the year. Peter seconds, unanimous. Jim has had no luck finding errors and omissions insurance. Peter will investigate another source. Should cost between \$100 and \$200. Lance moves we accept the treasurer's report, Lila seconds, unanimous.

Sectionals – Dan & Jim

Dan has told Carolyn our dates for the next two years. However to get sanctions we need locations. Those are not all set yet. Eastman (just north of New London on 89) would like one, early in the year. Has a new building with restaurant, and is slow in April. Could run it concurrently with New Castle as a one-day concurrent sectional. They are thinking about creating a club in Eastman. They want April 13. Our sectional is April 20. Seems problematic. We could do Eastman or Lebanon each year, but not both. But New Castle can't be in August. Consensus is to wait until they have a club and are up and running to talk about a sectional there. A split event doesn't seem possible given our small size. Will discuss further at the summer meeting. Suggestion to use the Epsom fire house, as a central location that could be better than New Castle. Dan will ask for the cost to rent that room. Try for Newington again for November? Some think Hudson is dirty. Jim will check on the dates with Hudson, and Dan with Tom Kurtz for the next two years. Complaints about the directions to New Castle on the fliers. Lila will write the directions.

Website – Dan

Still need to get the sectional results on the web site. Mass people want their results instantly. Larry will help Dan.

Newsletter

Bruce declined to accept a laptop. Larry volunteered to be the editor, and does not require a laptop. He would need input from throughout the unit. Hard to get volunteers. Will be published electronically only. Will be published only when enough material is available, not on a regular schedule.

Membership – Lila

Has talked to Seacoast non-members to encourage applicants. Lila will get a stack of applicants. Several have joined as a result of Sarah Widhu's game in Nashua. Plus Eastman.

District 25 Director on the ACBL Board

Richard DeMartino vs. Mark Aquino. Discussion. Mark assures us that he is on our side regarding the Nashua regional.

Election of Officers

Lance is on the nominating committee. Was unaware that John Maxwell stepped down. Chuck Palaces is interested in replacing John Cook. Lawrence Cheetham would like to be on the board. Slate:

Two-year terms: Secretary: Dan McGuire, Treasurer: Jim Felch, Directors-at-large: Chuck Palaces & Rick Weinstein

One-year term: Temp Vice President: Lance Ribeiro, Director-at-large: Lawrence Cheetham

Motion by Phyllis Benoit to accept the slate, seconded by Sarah Widhu, unanimous.

Other Business

Rick's Manchester bridge classes will resume Sep. 20. Thanks Lawrence & many others.

Next meeting: August 12 at Wayne's house. Adjourned at 12:50pm.