

**New Hampshire Bridge Association**  
**January 20, 2013**  
Draft Minutes

**Attendees:** Wayne Burt, Jim Felch, Dan McGuire, Peter Mitchell, Peter Mitchell, Lance Ribiero, Rick Weinstein

Called to order by Wayne at 1:11pm.

**Secretary's Report – Dan McGuire**

Dan handed out the minutes of the August 12, 2012 meeting. We didn't hold the meeting in December as anticipated. Rick moves that the minutes be accepted, Jim seconds, unanimous.

**Treasurer's Report – Jim Felch**

Had net income of \$453.64 for the year. State finals only lost \$285.96. Newington Sectional made \$579.33. Discussion of insurance. We may have a hole during the state championship, which is not a sectional. Director fees include expenses like hotel and mileage. There seems to be a shortage of directors due to retirements. Lance moves we accept the treasurer's report, Peter seconds, unanimous. John Cook performed the audit in August and gave a clean bill of health.

**Membership Report**

All we know is that Lila signed up four players in the year. Wayne will contact the ACBL to get a more complete count. Rick suggests emailing the membership department. Wayne will get a list of deceased members.

**State Finals**

The state championship will be a unit game for the next two years due to conflicts with other sectionals. Discussion of the director. Generally prefer a professional director due to the complexity of the game. Wayne will offer the job to Kevin. Won't bother to use the world-wide pairs hands. Discussion of free plays for winners. Peter moves that A winners get six sessions of free plays at 2013 sectionals, and B and C winners get four sessions of free plays at 2012 sectionals, Dan seconds, Rick and Wayne opposed, others in favor, motion carries. Free plays are not transferable to other players. Lance moves that carryover from the first day to the finals will be two boards, no carryover into the consolation, Peter seconds, unanimous. Rick moves that the finals be held on June 1-2, 2013, Peter seconds, Lance abstains, otherwise unanimous, motion carries. Tentatively keep the prices the same, unless the venue is much more expensive. Dan will send out a "Save the Date" email, and follow with the mailing in early March.

**Sectionals**

All our sectionals for 2013 are sanctioned. Hudson sectionals are losing money, so we ought to look for another location, or dropping one of them. Rick moves that we cancel the August sectional, Lance seconds. Thought that the weekend is bad, and August is traditionally bad, and the price is twice what it is in Newington. Dan votes no, but otherwise unanimous, motion carries. We will try to find a cheaper venue to replace the Hudson location. Lisa Allison wants to run a student game in parallel with our Newington sectional. We have no problem allowing this.

**Unit 150 Calendar**

Wayne handed out a draft of 2013 unit games. There are six named games. There are ten clubs. Each

should have a named game (Manchester has two). Wayne will come up with four more names.

### **Middle School Teaching**

EMBA is teaching in schools, and is doing fairly well. Jim Rasmussen is doing it. They have a fund that pays expenses. They would be willing to support an effort in New Hampshire. We would need a volunteer. Lisa Allison is doing something similar. There is a charter school in Nashua that expressed interest. Lance says there is a weekly game at his local library. Rick's classes start Feb. 21 through April 4.

### **Newsletter**

Seems to be suspended until Larr gets enough material.

### **Nominating Committee**

Lance was the nominating committee last year. Needs help. Thoughts of Sarah Widhu, and/or Fred Graf. Board positions coming up are: Wayne, Lance, Peter, Lila and Larr. Lance will head the committee again this year.

Next meeting Sunday, June 2, 11:30am at the State Championship.  
Adjourned at 2:50pm.