

New Hampshire Bridge Association
June 2, 2013
Draft Minutes

Secretary's Report – Dan McGuire

Dan handed out the minutes of the January 20, 2013 board meeting. Minor correction. Geoff moves we accept the secretary's report, Rick seconds, unanimous.

Treasurer's Report – Jim Felch

Handed out a treasurer's report. Balance at the end of 2012 was \$11,222.74. Made about \$450 last year, most of the losses were due to Hudson, so that hopefully will go away this year. Made a small profit on the April 2013 sectional, so the current balance is a little higher. Question is the variance in the director's fee from sectional to sectional. Can be based on the level of the director himself, distance traveled, lodging, etc. Tom moves we accept the treasurer's report, Lila seconded, unanimous.

Membership Report – Lila Berry

Continue to look for new members at club games, hand out applications and bridge magazines. We had a few members pass away, notably George Reed, six-time state champion. Wayne reports that eight from NH passed away, noted by ACBL in the bulletin. Discussion of new players.

Sectionals – Dan McGuire

We are set with 2014 sanction numbers, except Vermont would like us to move Nov 1 to Nov 8. No problem with that. September may also need to be worked out. Newington is a great site, but maybe we should look for something in Nashua? Jim thinks not. Grantham has a conflict with another unit for the date they want next year. Wayne thinks we lost a bit more than \$100 due to that game. Dan suggests giving them our April day, and having an August sectional instead. Generally accepted idea. Dan will look into the details.

Website

Wayne wanted to add a list of his Manchester club special games to the NH website. Dan objected to do something special for the Manchester club that we don't do for everyone. Dan will try to add a calendar feature to the website that club managers can edit. Maybe use a different color for special games and regular games. David Marshall talked about his use of a UK-based website, bridgewebs.com, that costs them \$200 a year, that provides tons of features. We will look into doing this. Check with Central Mass and David Marshall about the pros and cons.

2014 State Finals

Had to accept a \$3,000 minimum at the Chateau. Need better attendance. Don't need caddies. Must encourage people at all skill levels to take part. Talk it up throughout the year. Maybe more work on arranging partnerships (highlight on flier). Discussion on promoting the championship. More discussion at the summer meeting.

Newsletter

Postponed.

Election of Officers

Discussion. Tom moves to re-appoint the board. Dan would like Sarah Widhu to be on the board, perhaps in place of Lawrence Cheetham. Also Barry Rogoff to replace Lila. Tom accepts that change. Dan seconds. The slate:

President: Wayne Burt

Temp. Vice President: Lance Ribeiro

Director at Large: Peter Mitchell, Sarah Widhu, Barry Rogoff

Unanimous.

Next meeting Sunday, August 25, 2013 noon at Wayne's house.
Adjourned at 12:32pm.