

MINUTES of a meeting of Unit 166 Board of Directors held on Saturday May 24, 2014 at 11 a.m. at Mississauga-Oakville Bridge Centre, Mississauga

Present:	Sharon Berghaus	Carol Bongard
	Lane Byl	Lena Byl
	Paul Cronin	Lee Daugharty
	David Halasi	Wiebe Hoogland
	David McCrady	Chuck Renaud
	Andy Risman	Dee Nevett (Secretary)

Minutes – September 8, 2013

Motion by Wiebe Hoogland, seconded by Andy Risman

That the minutes of the December 28, 2013 meeting of Unit 166 Board of Directors, be approved.

Carried

Election of Officers

Dee Nevett assumed the Chair

David Halasi nominated Carol Bongard for the position of President, seconded by David McCrady.

There being no further nominations, Carol Bongard was declared President and assumed the Chair.

Lane Byl nominated Paul Cronin for the Position of Vice-President, seconded by Wiebe Hoogland.

There being no further nominations, Paul Cronin was declared Vice-President.

Sharon Berghaus nominated Andy Risman for the Position of Treasurer, seconded by David Halasi.

There being no further nominations, Andy Risman was declared Treasurer.

The following members were declared members of the Executive Committee – Carol Bongard, Paul Cronin, Andy Risman, David Halasi and Sharon Berghaus.

Lee Daugharty was declared the Tournament Chair to be joined on the Tournament Committee by David Halasi and Wiebe Hoogland.

Other appointments were declared as follows:

Tournament Co-Ordinator
I/N Co-Ordinator
Education Liaison
Disciplinary Chair
Recorder
Webmaster & Membership Chair
Kibitzer Liaison
CBF Advisory
Awards
Publicity
Inventory Control
Nominations Chair
Elections Chair
School Bridge
NABC Committee

Martin Hunter
Flo Belford
Flo Belford
David Colbert
Paul Cronin
Martin Hunter
Sharon Berghaus
Wiebe Hoogland
Andy Risman
David McCrady
John McWhinnie
Andy Risman
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Flo Belford
Carol Bongard, Paul Cronin, Sharon
Berghaus, David Halasi, Andy
Risman and Ina Demme

Board Vacancies

It was noted that there are currently two vacancies on the Board, one for two years and one for one year. It was suggested that Flo Belford might be interested in returning to the Board and it was agreed that she be offered the two year position. Andy Risman agreed to place a notice in the Kibitzer looking for a volunteer to fill the one year position.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report circulated by Andy Risman was presented

Motion by Lane Byl, seconded by Sharon Berghaus

That the Treasurer's Report be accepted, as presented.

Carried

NABC 2017 Committee Report

Carol Bongard reported that the Committee met with Ina Demme followed by a meeting with Robert Brown

Motion by Sharon Berghaus, seconded by David Halasi

That the Board move into Executive Session

Carried

Motion by Sharon Berghaus, seconded by Lane Byl

That the Board move out of Executive Session

Carried

Motion by Carol Bongard, seconded by Sharon Berghaus

That the NABC committee meet and formalize the contract with Ina Demme as Chair of the 2017 NABC, and with input from Ina prepare the contract with Robert Brown as Fundraising Chair of the 2017 NABC.

Carried

Tournaments

Budgets:

Brampton, Hamilton, St. Catharines IN and Labour Day

Motion by Lee Daugharty, seconded by Andy Risman

That the budgets for Brampton, Hamilton, St. Catharines IN and Labour Day, as presented, be accepted.

Carried

Reports

Toronto Sectional, St. Catharines Sectional, Toronto Easter Regional and Brampton

Motion by Chuck Renaud, seconded by David McCrady

That the reports for the Toronto Sectional, St. Catharines Sectional, Toronto Easter Regional and Brampton, as presented, be accepted.

Carried

2016 Toronto Easter Regional

David Halasi advised that the International Plaza Hotel had presented a contract for the 2016 tournament, increasing the room rate by \$3 per night, but all other costs remain unchanged.

Motion by David Halasi, seconded by Wiebe Hoogland

That David Halasi be authorized to sign the contract for the 2016 East Regional with the International Plaza Hotel.

Carried

School Bridge Expenses

Flo Belford had presented her expenses associated with the School Bridge Tournament at the East Regional.

Motion by Sharon Berghaus, seconded by Paul Cronin
That Flo Belford be reimbursed for the School Bridge expenses.
Carried

Tournament Schedule

The schedule for 2014 was presented.

Honorariums:

Motion by Lee Daugharty, seconded by Paul Cronin
to award David Halasi an honorarium of \$500 for Chairing the Toronto Sectional.
Carried

Motion by Sharon Berghaus, seconded by Paul Cronin
to award David Halasi an honorarium of \$1,500 for Chairing the Toronto Easter Regional.
Carried

Awards

Carol Bongard advised the Board that she had purchased a trophy for the Audrey Grant Award, and was proposing that the 2014 winner of the Kate Buckman and Audrey Grant Awards be presented with \$1,200 each.

Motion by David Halasi, seconded by Andy Risman
That Lee Daugharty and John Rayner be presented with \$1,200 each in recognition of winning the awards for 2014.
Carried

It was agreed that at the next meeting further consideration should be given to how the Unit celebrates the award winners.

Kibitzer

The Board was advised that John Carruthers had resigned as Kibitzer Editor. The June 15th edition will be his last.

David McCrady presented a report from his April meeting with John Carruthers to discuss the Board's decision at the last meeting to eliminate the print version of the Kibitzer. David advised that no conclusion had been reached from his meeting. It was also felt that the new editor should be a part of further discussion in this regard.

It was agreed that at the next meeting, consideration should be given to the appropriate charge for charities to advertise in the Kibitzer.

Carol Bongard reported on an advertising error, which had been compensated by a free advertisement in the following edition.

Two applications had been received for the position as Editor of the Kibitzer.

Motion by Lee Daugharty, seconded by Chuck Renaud

That Andy Stark be approached to take over the position as Kibitzer Editor on the same terms as presently in place.

Carried

Carol Bongard agreed to contact both applicants. It was also suggested that Andy Stark and John Carruthers be asked to comment on David McCrady's report.

New Boards – 6 sets

Carol Bongard related a request from Danny Ioannidis that the Board consider purchasing 6 more sets of boards. This decision was deferred. Lee Daugharty agreed to discuss this matter further with Danny.

Recognition of Volunteers

It was agreed that this should be left to the Chairs of each tournament.

Special Fund Raising Games

Wiebe Hoogland will follow up on this initiative.

Learn Bridge in a Day

Carol Bongard advised that ACBL will send a teacher for one day. A club would need to be interested in following up the session and it was agreed to ask Flo Belford to consider this further and report to the next meeting.

Association Reports

CVBA. Lee Daugharty reported that CVBA's profit was down on the Brampton tournament because of the Toronto Regional and Gatlinburg. The association continues to underwrite STaCs and local tournaments.

NDBA. Lena Byl advised that the Association would be subsidizing the World Wide competition in June.

COBA. Chuck Renaud advised that planning for the August tournament was proceeding well. He reported that participation in the STaCs was down, and was still subsidized by the Association.

HST

Paul Cronin and Andy Risman expressed differing opinions as to whether the Unit's Sectional Tournaments, run by the Associations, should be subject to HST.

Red Book

Wiebe Hoogland's draft policies were reviewed. Changes were suggested to Sections 5 to 10. Andy Risman agreed to review Section 8 for the next meeting. Also at the next meeting Sections 11 – end will be reviewed.

Next Meetings

Saturday September 13 at 11 a.m. at MOBC.

Saturday January 3 at 11 a.m. at the Toronto Sectional to be followed at 2.30 p.m. by the AGM.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.