

MINUTES of a meeting of Unit 166 Board of Directors held on Saturday January 3, 2015 at 11.30 a.m. at Holiday Inn Yorkdale, 3450 Dufferin Street, Toronto

Present:	Flo Belford	Carol Bongard
	Lane Byl	Lee Daugharty
	David Halasi	Wiebe Hoogland
	Chris Loat	David McCrady
	Chuck Renaud	Andy Risman
	Michael (Li Zhang) Yang	Dee Nevett (Secretary)
	Ina Demme (NABC Chair)	Gary Westfall (Auditor)

Regrets:	Sharon Berghaus	Paul Cronin
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Carol Bongard called the meeting to order at 11.35 a.m. and welcomed Chris Loat to the Board as the NDBA representative, and when he arrived Michael Yang as a member of the Board.

Minutes – September 13, 2014

Motion by David McCrady, seconded by Andy Risman

That the minutes of the September 13, 2014 meeting of Unit 166 Board of Directors, be approved.

Carried

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report circulated by Andy Risman was presented.

Motion by Chuck Renaud, seconded by Wiebe Hoogland

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

Carried

Association Financial Reports

The financial reports from the Associations for the year ending August 31, 2014 were presented.

Motion by Flo Belford, seconded by David Halasi

That the Association financial reports for the year ending August 31, 2014 be accepted, as presented.

Carried

Andy Risman suggested that the association financial reports be consolidated in the books and records of Unit 166. After discussion it was agreed to make no changes in this regard. However it was agreed to collapse the separate reporting of MTBA and consolidate these funds in the Unit 166 records.

Motion by Andy Risman, seconded by Wiebe Hoogland

That the separate reporting of MTBA funds be consolidated with the general Unit 166 funds.

Carried

Auditor's Report

Gary Westfall presented the financial statements for the year ended August 31, 2014.

Motion by Flo Belford, seconded by David McCrady

That the statement of financial position of the Corporation as at August 31, 2014 and the statement of income and expenses and net assets and cash flows for the year ended on the said date, together with the accountant's review engagement report thereon be and the same are hereby approved and adopted.

Carried

Remuneration for Auditor

Motion by Andy Risman, seconded by David Halasi

That the remuneration for Gary Westfall for the year ending August 31, 2014 be \$1,600.

Carried

NABC 2017 Report

Ina Demme presented her report and draft budget.

She advised that she was having difficulty reaching Graham Warren, the District 2 Tournament Co-Ordinator to arrange for fund-raising STaCs, but if necessary would meet with him during the District 2 meeting at the Easter Regional. Ina also advised that the NABC Committee would be meeting on Saturday January 17th.

The draft contracts for Ina and Robert Brown were reviewed and it was agreed in Ina's contract to delete 3.2.b and change 3.2.c to read "50% (\$2,500)", and to change 5.4 from 15 calendar days to 30 calendar days

Motion by Flo Belford, seconded by Wiebe Hoogland

That the draft contracts, for Ina Demme and Robert Brown, as presented and amended be approved.

Carried

Tournaments

Budgets:

St. Catharines

Motion by Chuck Renaud, seconded by David Halasi
That the budget for St. Catharines Sectional, as presented, be accepted.
Carried

Easter Regional

Motion by Flo Belford, seconded by Lee Daugharty
That the budget for the Easter Regional, as presented, be accepted.
Carried

Brampton

Lee Daugharty advised that he saw no significant changes over his budget for 2014.

Motion by Wiebe Hoogland, seconded by David McCrady
That the budget for the Brampton Sectional, as presented, be accepted.
Carried

Reports

Labour Day – Ann Shaw's report was presented and received. It was noted that Ann had volunteered to Chair the tournament in 2015 and in response to her query with regard to the loss, it was suggested that she needs to budget for free parking and consider raising the fees or reduce the hospitality.

Motion by David Halasi, seconded by Wiebe Hoogland
That the report for the Labour Day Sectional, as presented, be accepted.
Carried

Fall STaC

Motion by Lane Byl, seconded by Chris Loat
That the report for the Fall STaC, as presented, be accepted.
Carried

Tournament Schedule 2015

The schedule was presented.

Fees for 2015 Easter Regional and Niagara Regional

Motion by Andy Risman, seconded by David McCrady
That entry fees to the 2015 Easter Regional and Niagara Regional be reduced by \$2.00.
Defeated

Motion by David Halasi, seconded by Flo Belford

That the Regional Chairs create a reinvestment fund of \$1 or \$2 per entry and target these dollars for specific purposes to promote bridge.

Carried

Sectional and IN Tournaments within Association Boundaries

Motion by Wiebe Hoogland, seconded by Andy Risman

That Sectional and IN Tournaments taking place within Association boundaries be run by the applicable Association.

Carried

Scheduling conflicts for CVBA Tournaments

Lee Daugharty outlined the scheduling difficulties being experienced by the Brampton and Caledon East Tournaments.

David Halasi agreed to raise this problem at the District 2 Meeting.

Table Supply Fee

Motion by David Halasi, seconded by Lee Daugharty

That the supply fee be increased immediately from \$1.00 per table to \$1.25 per table.

Carried

Honorariums:

Motion by Flo Belford, seconded by David McCrady

That the honorariums awarded for Chairing Unit Sectionals and Regionals be increased to \$750, and \$2,000 respectively, effective immediately.

Carried (David Halasi abstaining)

Motion by David Halasi, seconded by Wiebe Hoogland

To award Ann Shaw an honorarium of \$500 Chairing the 2014 Labour Day Sectional.

Carried

Loaning Equipment for Charity Bridge Events

Carol Bongard queried whether the unit would be willing to loan out its equipment for charitable events. It was agreed that as long as the organizer was a registered Canadian charity and was willing to take responsibility and replace anything damaged, the boards, boxes and guide cards could be loaned out, but no electronic equipment would be considered.

Celebrating the Unit's 2 Awards

Carol Bongard outlined the suggestions put together by Flo Belford and herself.

Motion by David Halasi, seconded by Lee Daugharty

To award \$500 to each winner of the Kate Buckman and Audrey Grand awards towards celebrating their win, and that the Executive Committee should finalize the full details to be presented at the next Board Meeting

Duplicating Position

Carol Bongard outlined the applications received for the vacant duplicating position. Various queries were raised and it was agreed to carry this item forward to the next meeting. Lane Byl was thanked for covering the position on an interim basis.

Red Book

Motion by Wiebe Hoogland, seconded by Chris Loat

That the updated Red Book be accepted as presented and distributed, and any necessary changes be made as necessary going forward.

Carried

Learn Bridge in a Day

Flo Belford briefly described this program and will present further material at the next meeting.

School Bridge

Flo Belford advised that she needed 4 sets (60) bidding boxes to cover the 2015 program.

Motion by David McCrady, seconded by David Halasi

That the Unit cover the cost to purchase the necessary bidding boxes for the School Bridge Program.

Carried

Election

Andy Risman advised that at this time, no Board election appeared necessary at the Easter Regional

Awards

Andy Risman advised the Board of members nominated for the Kate Buckman Award and the Audrey Grant Award. The Board voted and the results were announced.

Association Reports

CVBA. Lee Daugharty advised that the Association had \$2,400 in the bank, and that he had nothing else to report.

COBA. Chuck Renaud advised that 13 tables had registered for E-Z Bridge. He also indicated that COBA would continue to pick up the cost of special games and STaC charges. He agreed to emphasize to the clubs that they need to report the STaC information in a timely manner.

NDBA. Chris Loat advised that the next meeting was the following day, and that the Association was again subsidizing the Erin Berry/Rookie Tournament by picking up the rent and cost of refreshments.

Kibitzer

Carol Bongard advised that she had been contacted by Barbara Seagram who expressed her hope that the Kibitzer would continue to be published in print format. Barbara had also advised that the ABTA format was being changed to match the larger version used by the Bulletin.

Hotel Contracts

Motion by Lee Daugharty, seconded by Chris Loat

That David Halasi be authorized to sign contracts for 2017 and 2018 Easter Regional at the International Plaza Hotel to include no change in parking costs and \$3 per year increase in room fees.

Carried

Motion by Lane Byl, seconded by Andy Risman

That David Halasi be authorized to sign the contract for the 2016 January Sectional at the Holiday Inn, Yorkdale, costs to be in line with those for 2015.

Carried

Motion by David Halasi, seconded by Chris Loat

That David Halasi be authorized to negotiate the contract for the 2015 Labour Day Tournament with Holiday Inn, Yorkdale.

Carried

District 2 Representatives

The Unit 166 representatives for the District meeting at the Easter Regional were approved as – David Halasi, Andy Risman, Wiebe Hoogland and Carol Bongard.

Next Meeting

Saturday February 28, 2015 at 1.15 p.m. at Mississauga-Oakville Bridge Centre.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2.50 p.m.