MINUTES of meeting of Unit 166 Board of Directors held on Sunday April 10, 2025 at 7pm via Video Conference

Present: Andy Risman Michael Kammermayer

Denise Donovan Darlene Scott
David McCrady Elizabeth Williams

Danny Miles Mel Norton

Debra Kestenberg (Secretary)

Regrets: Douglas Jordan, Sheila Xu

Andy Risman assumed the Chair and welcomed Elizabeth Williams, Douglas Jordan, and Mel Norton to the Board as voting members.

## Minutes – January 26, 2025

**Motion** by David McCrady, seconded by Elizabeth Williams *that the Minutes of the January 26, 2025 meeting of Unit 166 Board of Directors be approved.* **Carried** 

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Report to March 31, 2025, circulated by Andy Risman, was presented and discussed.

**Motion** by Danny Miles, seconded by Elizabeth Williams that the Treasurer's Report to March 31, 2025 be accepted as presented, subject to honorariums being itemized, clarifying receipts and disbursements, and adding detail on the cash position. **Carried.** 

## **Unit 166 Board Elections**

An election was not required.

## **Officers & Committees**

Debra Kestenberg assumed the Chair. Mel Norton nominated Andy Risman for the position of President, seconded by David McCrady. *There being no further nominations, Andy Risman agreed to resume the role and was declared President and re-assumed the Chair.* 

Elizabeth Williams nominated Darlene Scott for the position of **Vice-President**, seconded by Mel Norton. There being no further nominations, Darlene Scott agreed to resume the role and was declared Vice-President.

Mel Norton nominated Andy Risman for the position of **Treasurer**, seconded by Denise Donovan. *There being no further nominations, Andy Risman agreed to resume the role and was declared Treasurer*.

Appointments were declared as follows:

Awards Chair	Denise Donovan	Nominations	David McCrady
Membership Chair	Martin Hunter	Publicity Chair	David McCrady
<b>Education Liaison</b>	Douglas Jordan	Tournament Chair	Darlene Scott
Elections	David McCrady	<b>Tournament Coordinator</b>	Martin Hunter
IN Coordinator	Steve Overholt	Webmaster	Martin Hunter

Inventory Control	Elizabeth Williams*	Youth Bridge	Douglas Jordan
Kibitzer Liaison	David McCrady	Grow Revenue Committee Chair	Douglas Jordan
Increase Locally-Based Tournament Directors Committee Chair	Sheila Xu		Denise Donovan Elizabeth Williams

<sup>\*</sup>subject to re-location of the storage facility

### **Strategy for Returning to Profitability**

There were one-one discussions with Board members in advance of the Board meeting to solicit feedback and buy-in to a proposed Strategic Plan.

**Motion** by Andy Risman, seconded by Douglas Jordan and Denise Donovan, that the Unit approve the Strategic Plan, as presented. Committee Chairs will be responsible for setting priorities and implementing plans to achieve their defined goals, along with timely communications with the Board. Carried.

#### **Unit Accountant**

Andy Risman indicated that the previously approved engagement letter for the fiscal year end compilation report has been executed.

# **Delivery of Bridge Supplies to Tournaments & Inventory Control Management**

Andy Risman provided an update on contracting for delivery of bridge supplies to tournaments.

After much discussion, it was agreed that Elizabeth Williams will investigate a storage locker facility further west, possibly Etobicoke, and potentially assume the role of Inventory Control manager.

**Motion** by Darlene Scott, seconded by Elizabeth Williams that the Darlene Scott be authorized to purchase an additional 6 sets of boards, and from a local supplier if possible. **Carried.** 

### **Red Book**

**Motion** by Mel Norton, seconded by Darlene Scott *that the Policy 8.11.4 Accounting Record be changed from audit to Compilation Engagement*. **Carried.** 

**Motion** by Mel Norton, seconded by Darlene Scott *that BYL-7 Annual & Other Meetings of Management be changed from auditor to accountant.* **Carried.** 

**Motion** by Mel Norton, seconded by Darlene Scott *that Policy 12.1 Prior to Tournament be changed to generic terms from specific people*. **Carried.** 

#### **Website Design**

The Board has already approved the conversion to https to improve accessibility for members. Danny Miles presented the case for migrating off frame technology but that there is no urgency.

#### **Association Reports**

Michael Kammermayer, upon request and to resolve outstanding issues, will be scheduling a COBA meeting.

For CVBA, Denise Donovan. provided an update on activities and planned activities, and provided a copy of the Association's revised constitution.

## **Tournament Contract Updates**

Darlene Scott provided a summary of secured venues.

#### 2025/5 Tournament Schedule

Darlene Scott indicated nothing has changed.

#### **Unit Local Sectional**

A proposal for a Mississauga Local Sectional to be run by MoBridge was discussed.

**Motion** by Mel Norton, seconded by Denise Donovan that Unit166 authorize the Mississauga-Oakville Bridge Club ("MoBridge") to organize and run the Mississauga Local Sectional under the terms as presented. MoBridge will cover 100% of all costs, provide all necessary personnel, services and equipment, and remit to the Unit a fee of \$3.00 (Canadian) per Table. Within 20 days of receiving the ACBL sanction, MoBridge will submit for Unit approval, a Tournament Budget in the form specified. Within 2 weeks of the tournament, MoBridge will submit, for Unit approval, the Tournament Financial Report in the form specified. **Carried.** 

## **Tournament Budgets**

The budgets for the Oakville Labour Day and Brampton sectionals were presented and discussed

**Motion** by Danny Miles, seconded by Mike Kammermayer *that the Budget for the 2025 Oakville Labour Day sectional be accepted, as presented.* **Carried** 

**Motion** by Darlene Scott, seconded by David McCrady that the Budget for the 2025 Brampton sectional be accepted, as presented. **Carried** 

#### **School & Youth Bridge**

This was deferred to the next meeting.

## **Kibitzer Committee Update**

David McCrady emphasized the value of Andy Stark and The Kibitzer as a communications vehicle in support of Committee initiatives.

## **Kate Buckman and Audrey Grant Awards**

Andy Risman reported on the winner of the Kate Buckman Award and trophy updates. There was no Audrey Grant winner this year.

## **Next Meeting**

Thursday September 4, 2025 at 7pm. via video conference.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:40 pm