

Minutes of a meeting of the Members of the Ontario Unit 166, American Contract Bridge League held via video conference on Saturday January 14, 2023 at 11:15 am.

1. The Chair declared that as notice of the meeting had been mailed to all Members and a quorum being present, he declared the meeting to be regularly constituted.

The Chair stated that members in attendance are requested to sign the consent to hold the meeting and hereby directed such consent to be annexed to the minutes of this meeting.

2. Approve Minutes of Meeting held January 8, 2022

Motion by David McCrady, seconded by Darlene Scott *that the Minutes of the January 8, 2022 annual meeting be approved. Carried*

3. 2022 Financial Statements

Motion by Andy Risman, seconded by David McCrady *that the reading of the Review Engagement Report be dispensed with. Carried*

4. Motion by Andy Risman, seconded by Denise Donovan. ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Statement of Financial Position of the Corporation as at August 31, 2022 and the Statement of Income and Expenses and Net Assets and Cash Flows for the year ended on the said date, together with the auditor's Review Engagement Report thereon, be and the same are hereby approved and adopted. Carried***

5. Election/Appointment of Directors

Motion by Andy Risman, seconded by Denise Donovan *that the election of Douglas Jordan to the Board of Directors be and is hereby confirmed. Carried*

6. Appointment of Auditor

Motion by Andy Risman, seconded by Denise Donovan. ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT G. J. Westfall, C.P.A., be and he is hereby appointed Auditor of the Corporation to hold office until the close of the next annual meeting of Members at such remuneration as may be fixed by the Directors. Carried***

By-Law Changes

No changes were presented.

7. President's Report 2021/2022

We had another fairly quiet year. We had to cancel the Labour Day sectional and Easter Regional. We did run our bi-annual Summer Regional with results a little better than other ACBL tournaments have experienced. We were over 50% attendance compared to the last tournament but that still meant a loss of over \$16,000. Our future prospects for

the upcoming tournaments are also not promising but this depends almost exclusively on attendance.

Special shout out to Darlene Scott for her tireless work in running this tournament, negotiating contracts with hotels, trying to keep costs down as much as possible and getting us out of the Easter Regional contract with minimal cost.

Our clubs have started to open slowly and most have had minimal attendance with the exception of a couple. This will be a slow process and some clubs won't make it. The advertising/promotion of the clubs has increased to try to get more players but still there are challenges with F2F games, i.e. travel, cost compared to BBO games, and still worries about Covid.

To assist F2F clubs we have, in conjunction with the District, started advertising F2F clubs in the Kibitzer. We have also participated in running Royal STAC games for only F2F clubs. According to the figures, the week of Royal STAC was slightly higher than the previous week but it hasn't been sustained.

I look forward to improved attendance at both F2F and tournaments in the coming years so we can get back to normal.

8. Confirmation of Proceedings

Motion by Fran McCrady, seconded by Gary Westfall. ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT all the by-laws, resolutions, contracts, acts, and proceedings of the Board of Directors of Unit 166 enacted, passed, made, done or taken since the last meeting of Members be and the same are hereby approved, ratified, and confirmed. Carried***

9. Other Business

There was no further business.

10. Terminate Meeting

That the meeting be terminated at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Chairman

Secretary