

**NORTH JERSEY BRIDGE ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
May 31, 2014  
CHRIST CHURCH, RIDGEWOOD, NJ**

President Dick Murray called the meeting to order at 10:10 am. Board members in attendance were:

Dick Murray	President
Gale Mirro	Vice President, Budget
Lee Ohliger	Treasurer, Conduct and Ethics, Budget
Carol McMackin	Administrative Secretary, Annual Dinner, Budget
Stasha Cohen	Website
Neale Van Delft	Newsletter
Blair Seidler	Website, Player of the Year
Pat Linnemeyer	Club Coordinator
Barbara LeVay	Sanctions, Annual Dinner
Debi Fabian	Caddies
Ron Nelken	Pro-Am, Newcomer/Intermediate Promotion
Linda Connolly	Newcomer/Intermediate Promotion, Membership
Michael Jeshion	Johnke, Reitman
John Hogan	Site, Tournaments
Tod Thorgersen	Prizes, Reitman, Johnke

Also in attendance: Glenda Calkins, District 3 Director, Deborah Wasik, District 3 President, Paul Nickerson.

Absent and excused: Marlene Case, Lila Burg, Doug Cestone, Bob Sorce

The minutes of the prior meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Gale, seconded by Blair, to accept the minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Dick recommended the following nominating committee: board members Gale Mirro, Chairperson, Linda Connolly and Doug Cestone and non-board members Cheryl Porter-Garafalo, Kathy Manzi, Barkley Calkins and Amy Nellissen. A motion to accept the committee as was made by Debi, seconded by Gale. The motion passed unanimously.

Dick would like to appoint Kathy Lathrop and Jack Forbes to fill the 2 existing vacancies on the board. A motion was made by Neale, seconded by Blair, to appoint Kathy and Jack. The motion passed unanimously.

A list of board members up for reelection this year was read: Stasha Cohen, Jack Forbes, John Hogan, Kathy Lathrop, Blair Seidler, Barbara LeVay, Carol McMackin, Neale Van Delft. Those interested in continuing to serve as a board member should contact Gale.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Lee reported that the Johnke lost more money than anticipated due to lower attendance, and the number of tables participating in the February STaC was also down significantly, possibly due to the weather.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **TOURNAMENTS**

Marlene sent a report that everything is going smoothly.

### **SITE**

No Report.

### **CADDIES**

Debi stated that we do not need as many caddies because of the adult kitchen help and BridgeMates.

### **PRO-AM**

Ron reported that the Bridge Table has moved to a temple in Washington Township, and does not have a Saturday game. Rockland will hold their pro-am on a Friday. Debi is considering participating in the pro-am at her club in Sparta. A date will be set shortly.

### **ANNUAL DINNER/BRUNCH**

Carol stated that the annual dinner will be held at The Crowne Plaza in Suffern on December 14, 2014.

### **JOHNKE/REITMAN**

Tod reported that the Johnke is currently in the final KO stage for all 3 flights. Flight C attendance was down significantly this year.

### **NEWSLETTER**

The deadline for the next newsletter is the end of June.

### **MAILING**

No report.

### **CLUB COORDINATOR**

Gale is working with Pat.

### **NEWCOMER/INTERMEDIATE PROMOTION**

Linda reported that the 0-99 game was held on May 3, 2014 and went well.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

No report.

## DISTRIBUTION

No report.

## WEBSITE

Jonathan Ohliger is working on updating the website.

## PLAYER OF THE YEAR

No report.

## CONDUCT AND ETHICS

No report.

## RECORDER

No report.

## PRIZES

No report.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

We again discussed having pre-duped boards in Allendale. Deborah and Glenda explained the process thoroughly from the district viewpoint. Rob Van Ekeren currently makes the boards for the district and for Unit 140. He delivers the boards to the Unit 140 site on Fridays and Saturdays. We have an advantage because we have a locked cabinet at the church where we can store the boards. Our director-in-charge, either Sol or Marilyn, arrives early enough on Friday morning to receive the boards from Rob. We would have to construct a form that the director would sign, taking responsibility for the security of the boards. Neither Rob nor his wife would be allowed to play in a pairs game. The unit would have to negotiate an agreement with Rob. The estimated cost per tournament is \$300. Deborah will provide Dick with Rob's contact information so we can determine the exact cost. A motion was made by Lee, seconded by Debi, to table the discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

The Saratoga Regional starts on Monday.

It was suggested that more education/advertisement for the Johnke and Reitman be done to increase attendance.

A motion was made at 11:17 am by Lee, seconded by Gale to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.