

**Richmond Bridge Association  
Unit 109  
Board of Directors Meeting  
October 20, 2012**

Present: Steve Chaplin, Richard Deyerle, Becky Duty, Barry Fratkin, Harry Gellis, Ed Kinlaw, Randall Holden, George Lewis, Paul McGowan, David Prior

Absent: Paul Anderson, Linda MacCleave and Pat McDermott

Ed Kinlaw called the meeting to order at 2:10

**Treasurer' Report:** \$16,000 CD, bank balance of \$13,095.17 This figure is down from the last report because we bought bidding boxes, tables, and fans which will benefit us and be expensed over the next five years. These are the only capital expenditures since the dealing machines. We make money at friendly bridge; lose money at Christmas Mother game. The RBA is on solid financial ground.

**Non-life master sectional:** we made \$500. Everyone was happy. Will and Jack did great job. Ed and Paul Anderson directed. There were 96 tables. That event works well at Moose Lodge. We don't need bigger space. We like to support them since they are non-profit.

There are 35 tables in disrepair in West Home Healthcare's warehouse. We have 50 new tables. A suggestion was made to donating them to a senior citizen center. Harry made motion to sell the tables for \$5 as a donation to Christmas mother. Steve and Paul M will find senior centers to donate leftover tables. The motion was seconded and passed. It was suggested that we purchase 15 more new tables, so that we have all new tables for ease of transport. Motion by Steve was seconded and passed. George suggested Bridge Center should have the opportunity to purchase old tables before we sell them at the Christmas Mother. A motion was proposed to offer the serviceable tables to the clubs in the units for \$10. Whichever ones are left will go to the Christmas Mother. Motion carried.

**Christmas Mother Game:** Unit Championship Game will be the Christmas Mother Game. McLean's would cater the event for \$9 for two meats, two sides. Moose Lodge has less capacity. Room at Comfort inn room would be \$500. Harry suggested Sergio's for a better price. Food will be decided later. A motion was proposed, seconded and passed to have the game at the Comfort Inn. Motion passed. Last year we matched the donations to the Christmas Mother up to \$1000. Ed suggested we do the same this year and the motion was passed. Event will be similar to last year. Ed will have Christmas Mother attend to give her the donations. Richard suggested having a raffle. Motion to charge \$12 for Christmas Mother. Motion carried. A request was made to have the tables to be set up a day ahead.

Sunday evening games were expanded to 2 sections. One section is for 0 -20 and one for 0 – 50. Director pay was discussed and a motion to pay the Friendly bridge director \$65 from \$55 was passed.

Debra requested offering a memorial game for Geoff Mallette to raise money for diabetes. The Bridge center will offer the room if it is considered a RBA game. It was suggested that having a game for a specific person would set a bad precedent and might slight some people. Instead we would like to have a pro-Am game, donate money to charity and call it a memorial for all bridge players who have passed during that year. Possible dates are Sat Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> or some Saturday in January. The Pro-Am game would be set up as a unit game for 20 tables with proceeds going to Charity. RBA will pay for director, ACBL fees, and refreshments. Charities will be decided at a later date. Motion made and passed first annual Unit Memorial Game in January, with the entry fee to be \$10.

We owe about \$600 to charity from the extra \$1 that was added to entry fees for RBA games last year. The amount to charge at RBA games was discussed. A motion was seconded and passed to charge \$6.

Harry requested RBA unit support team games for STAC. Tom Dow suggested having a playoff for District 6 with the winner would being subsidized to go north to play. Ed suggested we subsidize only the B and C levels. It was estimated that the cost might be \$500 a team. Friendly Bridge won't run a team game, so this prevents C teams from qualifying. The issue of supporting teams will be decided at a future meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:20.

Respectfully submitted

Becky Duty, secretary