

RBA Board Meeting  
December 3, 2002

Members present: Mike Fine, Jacki Shuman, Ellen Shuman, Bert Kimmel, Jim Poulson, Miriam Smolkin, Jan Mirmelstein, George Lewis, Bob Mandell. Members absent: Linda McCleave, Wes Thiss, Ed Kinlaw.

1. The meeting was called to order by Mike Fine. The minutes from the last meeting were read and Jan Mirmelstein made a motion that they be accepted.
2. Bert Kimmel gave the treasurer's report, everyone was given a copy. He also discussed additional liability insurance for the Christmas Mother and the May Dinner. The cost would be \$170.00 per year. Miriam made a motion that we get this insurance and Jan seconded it. The board tabled the motion until the next meeting so that we can look it over to see what benefits it would give us.
3. There were no conduct & ethics issues to be discussed.
4. George will begin working on the new directory and Jan will do the advertising for it.
5. Mike thanked Miriam for all the hospitality at the sectionals. We've received nothing but compliments.
6. We need to change the date of the winter sectional for 2004. Mike gave us a list of possible conflicts. We decided the date would be January 29- January 31, 2004.
7. The GNT Coordinator has not been in touch with Jim. Mike will contact her.
8. Christmas Mother – Henrico County Christmas Mother will attend the dinner. A suggestion was made that everything be done before the game started. George made a motion that we have a check prepared for \$1000. If we make more than that, the additional money will be sent to her. The motion was seconded by Ellen Shuman.
9. Stratification for tournaments – Jan will research to see what other units are doing. The topic of 0-99 came up again. Right now we have 0-300, 0-1000, and 0-unlimited.
10. The RBA bought 20 new bridge tables at \$15.00 per table.
11. Miriam brought up the idea of serving lunch at the January sectional between sessions on Sunday. It was decided that we would see how the Christmas Mother game goes and discuss food at the next meeting.

Bert moved that we adjourn the meeting. The next meeting will be January 15, 2003.

Respectfully Submitted, Jacki Shuman, Secretary