

**Richmond Bridge Association
Unit 109
Board of Directors Meeting
October 9, 2013**

Present: Paul Anderson, Becky Duty, Barry Fratkin, Deb Gardner, Harry Gellis, Randall Holden, Ed Kinlaw, George Lewis, Linda MacCleave, Pat McDermott, Paul McGowan, and David Prior.

Not present: Richard Deyerle

Ed called the meeting to order at 5:10.

Treasurer's report: Paul Anderson passed out the Balance Sheet dated August 31st, 2013. The balance of total assets is \$39,143.60. As of the end of September we have an additional \$800.

Debra prepared the contracts for the bridgemates. Harry will make the corrections and get the contracts to the people who have the machines. Paul Anderson has a list of the number and location of the bridgemates.

October Open Sectional: Will be held at the Magnuson. They have increased the rate from 700 to 800. Weather and change of date caused a drop in tables at the summer sectional, which led to a loss of \$670. Barry presented a spreadsheet showing the various expenses from past sectionals. He also presented the options for estimated profit comparing a \$9 and \$10 entry fee. If we charge 10 with \$1 going to charity, ACBL will award regional rated points.

George made a motion to charge \$9 a game through the end of the year and begin charging \$10 a session and \$90 for the swiss teams starting in January. People with free plays will have to pay \$5 their lunch. The increase will cover the increase in costs of the hotel and table set ups.

Motion was seconded and passed.

Christmas Mother Game: Moose Lodge would be able to host for \$400 and provide a meal at \$9 per person. There was a discussion of date for game. Harry suggested a Saturday day game as opposed to Wed night since many people don't like to drive at night. He noted that the attendance dropped drastically for the last Christmas Mother game. We could have hospitality instead of serving dinner. \$10 was the suggested fee. December 14 was the suggested date so that it would not interfere with the sectional in Charlottesville the prior weekend. The Sat game will be the unit game – so it will be moved from the 2nd Wednesday to the second Saturday.

Harry made a motion to move the Christmas mother from Wednesday Dec 11th to Saturday Dec. 14th and to charge \$10. The motion was seconded and passed. A motion to amend the game to include lunch was proposed, seconded and passed.

Dealing Machines: A year ago, the RBA offered District 109 clubs the chance to purchase dealing machines with the RBA subsidizing 60% of the cost, which was estimated to be about \$3600. Judy Haney of the Rappahannock club would like us to consider extending the offer. Before deciding to subsidize, David Prior suggested we deal with ownership issues and evaluate the benefits to the unit. He also suggested we set some criteria before we subsidize any purchases. Linda MacCleave explained that with the money we didn't spend at the time on dealing machines, we spent instead on the bridgemates. This could be one reason to turn down the offer if the RBA decides on that course. Barry presented a motion that Paul Anderson speak with the Rappahannock unit about the request for dealing machines. Paul agreed and the motion passed.

Sunday night game: Ed presented a request from some players to raise the number of masterpoints allowable in the Sunday night game from 50 to 100. A motion was passed to keep it at 50. Motion seconded and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40.

Respectfully submitted

Becky Duty, secretary