

**Richmond Bridge Association
Board Meeting
February 7, 2022 5pm**

The Board of the Richmond Bridge Association met February 7, 2022 via a Zoom conference call. President Anne Atwood reviewed our mission statement that the purpose of the RBA is to preserve, promote, and stimulate interest in duplicate bridge.

Members Present: Anne Atwood, Ruth Miles, Tom Kasvin, Barry Fratkin, Linda MacCleave, Debra Gardner, Peter Martin, Francis Terminella, Ed Kinlaw, Randall Holden, Karen Hamlett

The minutes from the October 25, 2021 board meeting, held by Zoom conference call, were approved.

It was noted that Martha Mullen resigned from the board and as chair of the Mentoring program. Jane Riddle has been appointed chair of the Mentoring program.

Treasurer Tom Kasvin provided the RBA Balance Sheet and Income statement through December 2021 prior to the meeting. Linda MacCleave provided the Friendly Bridge report for December 2021 prior to the meeting.

Lease with The Bridge Center: The purpose of the meeting was to review and approve the lease agreement with The Bridge Center for January through June 2022. President Anne Atwood provided a copy of the agreement used for July through December 2021. The charge is \$5,000 for the six-month period, with the RBA also providing \$350 for supplies. The lease agreement gives the RBA use of the building for Tuesday evening games, Sunday afternoon and Sunday evening games, and one RBA game each month on the second Wednesday evening. Occasional Saturday morning lessons are also approved in the lease. The RBA is not currently holding games at the Bridge Center on Tuesday evenings. Following discussion, Linda MacCleave moved that the RBA Board approve the lease for January through June 2022 for \$5,000. It will be noted that the lease will be renegotiated at the conclusion of this six-month period. The motion was seconded. There were ten affirmative votes and one abstention, and the motion passed.

Fredericksburg Sectional: The March sectional usually held in Fredericksburg has not been held the past two years. The facility carried forward the \$600 deposit as a credit. This year they will not carry it forward again. If we do not use the building for the March Sectional, we lose the \$600 deposit. Peter Martin reported that the Fredericksburg club does not feel that they can successfully hold a Sectional this year. Therefore, the deposit will be forfeited. Peter Martin will inquire how far in advance they would need to reserve the building for a Sectional March 17-19, 2023.

June Sectional in Richmond: A Sectional tournament is scheduled in Richmond at the Faison Center on June 3-5.

Longest Day Game: The RBA plans to hold Longest Day games to benefit the Alzheimer's Association on Saturday, June 25. Barry Fratkin will verify the availability of the Faison Center. He will also request that they forfeit the rent charge as a donation to the Alzheimer's Association.

President Anne Atwood thanked Tom Kasvin for his exemplary service as Treasurer. Tom announced in September 2021 that he plans to step down from the Treasurer position May 31, 2022.

There was discussion about our current sharing of proceeds from the Sunday Open game with the Bridge Center. It was agreed that we will include in the lease agreement that we will share the proceeds from that game through the end of the lease period, June 30, 2022.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Hamlett
RBA Secretary