



Annual General Meeting

Minutes

2021-10-20

1. The meeting was called to order by Judy Stirling at 4:08 pm.

2. Welcoming comments by President Judy Stirling.

3. Confirmation of Notice and Quorum

* 39 members and 1 guest in attendance

4. Motion to approve the minutes of the AGM 2020-12-01

* Motion made by Sue Edwards, seconded by Rick Jordan, votes cast with 100% approval carried.

5. President's Report: Judy

- * Despite covid-19 the club has not only remained viable but has prospered due to the generosity of our landlord, the aid from the government, the generosity of the game directors who volunteered their time, unpaid, for 18 months and the continued support of the membership who played online.
- * The club ranks as one of the top 100 ACBL clubs and ranks 12th in Canada for size. As well, we had the largest table count (4,600+) in the past year since opening.
- * The education program has been busy attracting and preparing beginner players with great success.
- * A return to face-to-face bridge will include all necessary measures to insure a safe environment including double vaccine requirement, new Hepa filter equipment, masks and hand sanitizer to name a few.

6. Financial Report: Tom

- * Note: the Financial Report will be included in Dropbox.
- * Question. What are the liabilities in the report?
Answer. They are ACBL fees and utilities.

- * Question. What portion of the BBO fee comes back to the club?
Answer. We get approximately \$3.75 US for each \$5.00 US fee.

7. Motion to accept the Financial Report as presented by Tom.

- * Motion made by Gayle George, seconded by Rick Jordan, votes cast with 100% approval carried.

8. Motion to Appoint Gary Westfall as Auditor to Conduct a Review Engagement for 2021-2022

- * Motion made by Janine Higgins, seconded by Al Edwards, votes cast with 100% approval carried.

9. President's Thank You to Retiring Board Members: Judy

- * A heartfelt thank you was given to three retiring and long serving members of the board; Al Edwards, Tom Jolliffe and Bruce Moor. As well a thank you was given to Sue Edwards for her continued work with the club's day-to-day finances.

10. Nominations for the Vacant Positions on the Board Was Open to the Floor: Judy

- * As no new names were put forward the selection of the Nomination Committee was acclaimed. The four positions will be filled by Kate Brooks, Deb Ellison and Fiona Woytowicz who are new to the board; as well as Judy Stirling, who is elected for a second term as past-president.
- * The four Officer positions will be Janine Higgins - President, Judy Stirling - Past President, Kate Brooks - Treasurer, Betty Grant - Secretary.

11. The Floor was Opened to Questions: Judy

- * Question: Are we concerned that the growth of the club will be adversely affected by the lack of lower point games.
Answer: Lower point games will be added once we start getting back to our normal schedule.
- * Will we be discussing the results of the "opening" survey?
Answer: Not at this meeting as the committee is still reviewing and making recommendations.
- * Question: How will we handle vaccination proof?
Answer: We will require proof of vaccination and at this time we are hoping to keep a list so proof does not have to be shown each time.
- * Question: Have we contacted any open clubs in our area to see their response?

Answer: No but that is a good idea and will be followed up on.

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A Motion was Made to Terminate the Meeting

- * Motion made by Tom Jolliffe, seconded by Deb Ellison, votes cast with 100% approval...carried

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