

**Board of Directors Minutes  
M.A. Lightman Bridge Club  
January 22, 2011  
BOARD MEMBERS Present**

**President –Tom Dixon  
Secretary -Judy Knox  
Treasurer- Jody Couch  
Cecile Skaggs**

**Melody Patterson  
Jan Dacus  
Kathy Love  
Henry Francis**

**Board Member Absent  
Vice President – Larry Alexander**

The meeting was called to order by Tom Dixon at 11:30 am at the M.A. Lightman Bridge Club. This is a special meeting called by Tom to review the proposed by laws of the M.A. Lightman Bridge Club and determine a date to hold a club membership meeting to vote on them. He would also like to take care of some of the unfinished business that was tabled at the last Board Meeting on Jan. 22, 2011.

**Resignation of Mike Staunton**

Based on Unit 144 by laws we are not required to have 10 Board of directors. Do we want to appoint another Board member to replace Mike or should we just have 8 Board members and a President? This question was asked by Tom. Jan Dacus made a motion that we should have 10 board members and should appoint someone to replace Mike. It was seconded by Cecile Skaggs. The motion was passed.

Melody Paterson suggested that we appoint Al Stone to fill Mike Staunton's position. The Board agreed that Al Stone would be the best replacement for Mike. Al Stone was appointed to take Mike Staunton's place by the majority of the Board Members.

**Special Game**

Terry and Janice Van Dyke want to have a special game and donate all proceeds to the NABC 2012 fund. Terry and Janice will grill hamburgers and hot dogs and provide chips, baked beans, potato salad and dessert. We will charge \$7 for the meal. Mick McGuire will direct the game for free. The game fee will be \$5.00. A motion was made to accept Terry's offer for the Saturday night dinner and game. It was approved unanimously. The game will be held on March 26, 2011. The dinner will start at 6:30 pm.

**Mick McGuire – Club Manager**

Mick discussed the following issues:

1. Old tables at the bridge club- Ernie Seger leaned on a table and it collapsed with him at one of the games. Kathy Goldate was hurt but went on to play. Mick is going to replace all the legs on the old tables and make them sturdier. Jan suggested that Mick should write the incident up and get the people involved to sign it. This should be done for all incidents like this in the future for insurance purpose.
2. Mick discussed the table count at the club. We are down during December and January due to the Holidays, Nate Silverstein Tournament and bad weather. We usually get a big boost during June and July due to Membership dues. Our biggest games are the Wednesday night Swiss, Saturday afternoons and Jack's Friday morning game.
3. Melody asked where we stand with the re-zoning of the parking lot. Mick did not know. Tom appointed Judy Knox to try to follow up on this issue and get information regarding the re-zoning.
4. Friday night Knock out games – the Friday night knock out games should be documented as to number of tables and money brought in and money that went out. Mick gave the treasurer, Jody Couch, a written document as to the number of games played and dates they were played. Jody will try to decipher this document and will ask Mick questions about the numbers if she has them. People have complained that they were not given correct information about the knock out games. A discussion on this problem was tabled to the next board meeting.
5. Dealing Machine – Mick said the dealing machine cost us \$4,395. This does not include the new boards that had to be purchased for it to be used. Mick stated that we need to educate the players about the fact that computer generated hands are random deals. Ellen will put a blurb in the news letter about the web sites for the hand records. Henry volunteered to print out the results of the hand records and post it on the bulletin board at the club. We need to decide if we want to rent the use of the dealing machine out to other clubs. This discussion is tabled to the next board meeting.

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Proposed Bylaws

Tom has revised the proposed by laws that were prepared by Henry Francis. He sent a copy to all Board Members to review. Tom wants to set a date for M.A.L. members to meet. We need to set a specific date and vote on the By Laws for Lightman Bridge Club. The line between Unit 144 and M.A. Lightman needs to be well defined. The revised by laws were reviewed by all Board members present. Corrections were suggested and Tom will make these corrections and email the 2<sup>nd</sup> revision to the Board Members to review again. We will schedule a time to meet for all M.A. Lightman Club members to vote on these revised by laws. We need to have a simple majority of club members to vote. We should have at least 48 members present to vote on them. There must be 25% of total membership to vote. A quorum must be present. 50 people must show up at this meeting. We will send the revised by laws out by mass email and we will send them by regular mail to members who don't have email. We will schedule March 30, 2011 at 6:30 pm to have a meeting to vote on the by laws.

A motion was made to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned by Tom Dixon at 1pm. The next Board Meeting will be February 19, 2011 at 10:30 am.

Respectfully submitted

Judy Knox, Secretary  
M. A. Lightman Bridge Club