

# **MINUTES**

## **M.A. Lightman Bridge Club Council**

### **September 27, 2013**

Location: M.A. Lightman Bridge Club  
Meeting called to order at 2:00 pm

Attendees:

- Council members Susan Boyle, Bill Frazee, Kathy Love, Ilene Markell, Marvin Skaggs, Al Stone, Jack Wynns

Al Stone moves that we approve the minutes of the last meeting. Passes

TREASURER'S REPORT: Al Stone

8/31/13 SunTrust statement:

- Beginning Balance: \$48, 215.22
- Deposits: \$6,050
- Checks: \$4,691.44
- Debit Card Transactions: \$2,097.67
- Ending Balance: \$47, 475.11

ANNUAL MEETING

- Notification was mailed Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup>
  
- At meeting, proposals will be made to amend the bylaws so that the Annual Membership Meeting for the M.A. Lightman Bridge Club will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in July and that current Council members' terms are extended from January 2014 to July 2014. Also we will recommend that the 4 Council members who received the most votes (Susan Boyle, Judy Dever, Al Stone, and Jack Wynns) would serve a 2-year term (from July 2013 to July 2015). The named Council members agreed to serve for two years. The other 4 Council members (Bill Frazee, Kathy Love, Ilene Markell, and Marvin Skaggs) will serve a 1-year term and may run for re-election in July 2014.
  
- Bill will look into hiring a parliamentarian to be present at this meeting. We will vote on this issue via e-mail after the cost is determined.
  
- Currently, we don't have any means of punishing players who behave badly (concerning bridge) outside of the club (at tournaments, for example). Could we institute a policy that would allow us to take behavior that occurs outside the club into account when making disciplinary decisions?

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Jack suggests that we adopt guidelines concerning playing directors. (see attached: "Suggested Conditions for Playing Directors at M.A. Lightman Bridge Club")

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Ilene Markell moves that we accept these suggested guidelines for playing directors.  
Passes

- Regarding defibrillators: no liability can be incurred by a person who is attempting to save another person's life with a defibrillator. Marvin recommends that we get an Ambu bag to help someone breathe. This is not expensive and would probably be needed more than a defibrillator.
- We will find out which Wednesday nights would be good for the directors to take the CPR class.
- It seems that most of the directors don't understand that they are allowed to deduct the cost of snacks from their net profit. Jack will explain this policy to the directors.
- Ilene will set up a notebook with a list of club members. There will be space for members to write in an emergency number if they would like to. That way, we would have it on hand should the need arise.
- Easybridge classes are starting. The first four classes are free.
- We have an insurance policy that provides \$1,000,000 liability coverage for Council members
- Ilene will set up a Partnership board in the little room.
- Dues will henceforth be pro-rated. They are \$50 for a year but drop to \$25 if you purchase after January 1.
- We need to get rubber mats for the front door.

Next meeting will November 1, 2013 at 2:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm.

Ilene Markell, Secretary  
M.A. Lightman Bridge Club Council

## **SUGGESTED CONDITIONS FOR PLAYING DIRECTORS AT M.A. LIGHTMAN BRIDGE CLUB**

In most situations, the director should not play unless it enhances the movement of the game and does not create negative feelings among the other players.

### **Conditions for a director to play in a bridge game**

- table with long sit-out without director playing (usually a Howell movement)
- Director is a substitute for a regular director who already had a game scheduled and does not feel comfortable canceling
- The game should not be over one section unless the other section is a novice game

### **Rules for playing directors**

- Should avoid playing when remote scoring is not available
- Should avoid playing when the field is substantially under their skill level, if possible
- Should always try to find a reasonable replacement player, unless they are a substitute director
- If a reasonable replacement player exists, the director should encourage them to fill in

*Adopted by the M.A. Lightman Bridge Club Council on September 27, 2013*