

Five Cities Duplicate Bridge Club - Board Meeting Minutes – 8/8/19

1. Call to Order: 100% attendance
2. Minutes from 6/13/19 - Presented by Mike Carroll. Approved
3. Treasurer's Report
 1. Over \$5,000 in checks not deposited by Jim Solomon. Jim reports that they were just deposited.
 2. Current bank balance is \$19,561.95 (minus the \$5000 checks not yet deposited) - \$14,500+/- available. Prior month balance was \$12,917.
 3. Motion to approve report - approved unanimously
4. Club Manager Report
 1. 19.4 average tables at Thursday games. The largest game between LA and Bay Area
 2. 10.4 average tables at Wednesday novice games
 3. Discussion regarding slow play.
 4. Problem during last month of player that reversed direction of boards to suit partner that was bothered by glare from window. Caused trouble with many EW that played the wrong direction that day.
5. Gail Lapins requested that club routinely purchase food instead of relying on players bringing snacks
 1. Estimated weekly cost is \$2 to \$3 per player based on Costco sandwiches and salad
 2. Annual impact about \$6,000 to \$9,000 (in addition to pizza once a month)
 3. Decision to take "straw vote" to determine member interest (post meeting note ... membership voted later that day ... about 80% in favor of not raising weekly fee to get lunch)
6. Annual Meeting - Terms that expire in October are Herbon, Crampton, Borland, Kowal.
 1. Kowal will not be running for another term. Other members indicated they will
 2. The board requested Eli to make an announcement to recruit another board member, and to form a nominating committee.
7. 2020 Sectional Report - Art informed the board that March 26-29 is tentatively scheduled for the Unit's next sectional. Primary location choice is AG Woman's Club. Alternative is Trinity Hall if facility costs are less.
 1. Board asked Art to provide statistics for number of sectional players that come from out of town.
(post meeting data) - Number of players in 2019 sectional
Non-ACBL 9
Unit 192 4
Unit 473 2
Unit 476 4

Unit 502 4
Unit 503 13
Unit 514 30
Unit 522 17
Unit 524 6
Unit 528 8
Unit 539 4
Unit 540 438 (68%)
Unit 542 36
Unit 543 59
Unit 547 6
Unit 548 4

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Total 644 (32% from outside)
20% increase from 2018

8. Next board meeting is 9/12/19. Art Herbon will be out of town that week.