

Five Cities Duplicate Bridge Club - Board Meeting Minutes – 4/25/19

I. Meeting called to order by Eli Zinner at 10:00 AM at Donna Kimber's home

Attendance:

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| Eli Zinner, President – Present        | David Crampton, Member - Present |
| Mike Carroll, Vice President - Present | Jim Borland, Member - Present    |
| Art Herbon, Secretary – Absent         | Patricia Kowal, Member – Absent  |
| Donna Kimber, Treasurer - Present      |                                  |

A quorum was declared. Also in attendance: Jim Solomon

II. March Minutes – not available due to Secretary being out-of-country.

III. Treasurer's Report (Donna Kimber) – Balance is \$14,477. Report approved by acclamation.

IV. Old Business

a) Cancelled Christmas party. Lack of communication. The board deeply regrets the confusion and disappointment created in this situation.

b) Alternative plans when Vets' Hall unavailable. A lengthy discussion ensued due to the fact that we are being evicted from the Vets' Hall this summer. At the moment our options are:

- Guild Hall – low quality of the bathrooms and lack of parking are the major concerns. Also, it's in SLO, not 5-Cities.
- AG Women's Club – inability to store our equipment here is a concern.
- Trinity Hall – this location seems like the best option except the price may be too high. Jim Solomon is currently negotiating with them. There was concern expressed about heavy traffic on Hwy. 227 and the need to make left turns across traffic when leaving to drive north.

In regard to the AG Women's Club, we talked about the possibility of putting all our equipment inside a rented enclosed trailer, and parking it at the club or towing it to the club each week when needed.

c) Ongoing plans for Wednesdays - "Summer School" – Jim Solomon is looking at the common room in a nearby adult community as a possibility for holding classes and games on Wednesdays during our summer hiatus from the Vets' Hall.

d) Dates for Unit Championship games – Jim Solomon will select the dates for our remaining Unit Championship games this year (4 more) and notify Jan Zinner so she can obtain the sanctions.

## V. New Business

a) Accommodating late players – a lengthy discussion ensued regarding the best way to deal with people who arrive late for our games and cause the game to start late. A proposal was made to set a time after which anybody who arrived late would be denied the opportunity to play in that game.

There are two categories of late people. The first is those who notified Jim that they would be playing but got caught in traffic, or otherwise delayed, and telephoned to make their situation known. The board does not wish to set a time after which these people would be turned away from the game.

The second category is people who do not communicate in advance that they will play and just show up minutes before the game is to start. There was some sentiment for setting a time after which these people would not be admitted to the game, but the board could not come up with a solid proposal and will continue to discuss this matter.

b) Next meeting – Eli is unavailable on 5/23/19 due to his son getting married in Pennsylvania, so our next meeting will be on 6/13/19.

Minutes submitted by Jim Borland due to the absence of our Secretary.