

Five Cities Duplicate Bridge Club - Board Meeting Minutes – 9/12/19

I. Meeting called to order by Eli Zinner at 11:00 am in the patio at the AG Community Center/Woman's Club.

Attendance:

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

A quorum was declared. Also in attendance: Jim Solomon

II. August meeting minutes were approved by acclamation.

III. Treasurer's Report was approved by acclamation.

IV. Club Manager's Report

a) The AG Community Center/Woman's Club will not be available to us on Thursday, October 24th, because the facility has been rented over that weekend for the annual Jubilee-By-The-Sea Jazz Festival. Jim Solomon will attempt to rent the SLO Guild Hall that day so we can hold our game there. A discussion ensued regarding the logistics of moving our equipment out of and then back into the Community Center/Woman's Club.

b) Our arrangement with the Community Center/Woman's Club is that we must be completely finished and out of the building by 4:30 pm on Thursdays. This includes time spent to put away our equipment, clean the kitchen, empty the trash and sweep the floor. If we fail to be done by 4:30 pm there will be a financial penalty charge. Jim Solomon will communicate this information to the members and attempt to get lots of help from attendees in order to meet this deadline.

c) Looking at the calendar, we agreed that there will not be a game on Thursday, Thanksgiving Day. Christmas falls on a Wednesday this year and we do plan to hold a game the day after Christmas and also the day after New Year's Day.

V. Old Business

a) At last month's board meeting there was a proposal to raise table fees and use the money to purchase food in order to improve the quality of our refreshments. At the game following that meeting, Eli made an announcement and asked for a show of hands regarding this proposal. There was an overwhelming response showing that the members are NOT in favor of this idea.

VI. New Business

a) We decided to hold our annual meeting and elections at our regular game on October 24th. Of course, this assumes we are able to rent the SLO Guild Hall that day. The board discussed the disadvantages of having this meeting on a day we are away from our regular facility, but it was decided that we needed to go ahead with this important event.

b) The Unit 540 Sectional will be held on March 27-29, 2020. Location will be the AG Community Center/Woman's Club. However, the Sectional Committee is considering expanding the tournament to include Thursday, March 26th. Obviously, that would impact our regular Thursday game. Also, the Sectional will need to use our equipment which is stored at that location. The board discussed these matters and pledged our cooperation, agreeing to offer assistance in any way as needed.

c) Next Meeting – our next meeting will be on Thursday, October 24th, at the SLO Guild Hall (assuming we are able to hold a game there that day).

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 am. Minutes submitted by Jim Borland due to the absence of our Secretary.