

Minutes: Ballarat Bridge Club Committee Meeting Monday 3rd April, 10.00 am, 2023

Attendance: Bruce Morley, Clare Beer, Ian Gunn, Annette Pearce, Mary Oswell, Leigh Dunne, Kaye McFarlane, Brian Hassett, Trish Farney

Apologies: Anne Beck, Colleen Ludbrook, Margaret Whitefield

Minutes of previous meeting: Secretary Kaye McFarlane

Acceptance of previous minutes: Moved Ian Gunn, 2nd Clare Beer. Carried

Reports:

President's Report Anne Beck

Spot Free Play Day for month of March was Saturday March 18

Acceptance of President's report: Moved Clare Beer, 2nd Kaye McFarlane. Carried

Treasurer's Report to 31st March 2023: Trish Farney

The Financial reports for March 2023 shows a profit of \$ 1751.45 for the month resulting in a profit of \$10636.36 profit ytd

Monthly Expenditure \$2244.07

No exceptional expenses

Monthly Income \$3995.52

Includes Membership Fees of \$302

EGV rent Jan-March 2023 - \$1993.33

Bank Balance acc: 143932572 as at 31/3/23 = \$ 28139.07

Balance Term deposit acc: 14452879 @ 28/2/23 = \$ 64876.64

Total at Bank \$ 93015.71

Fees paid in advance @ 31/3/2023 are \$1554 ytd

2023 Membership fees paid to date \$3041.00

Acceptance of Treasurer's report: Moved Trish Farney, 2nd Leigh Dunne. Carried

Correspondence: Kaye McFarlane

Incoming:

1. City of Ballarat Nicholas Venville: Example of Agreement to Sub- Licence a facility
2. Peter Busch: Adding a layer of security – for sub-domains of bridgeaustralia.org
3. Jim Naughtin BridgeWest Online: Response to VBA 'proposed new structure' he suggests that 'VBA follow the GBC proposal to ensure a split of functions, new organizations/constitutions '

4. 11/03/2023 Andrew Slutzkin: Supporting the creation of the Bridge Victoria Operating Committee
5. 13/03/2023 Andrew Slutzkin: Supporting the creation of the Bridge Victoria Operating Committee it is the *pragmatic response to engage with the VBA Council 'in good faith'*.
6. Australia-wide Novice Pairs 25-31 May 2023
7. Andrea House, Embroiderers Guild Victoria: Request to use of guild rooms 17th – 19th April
8. 17/03/2023 VBA council Panning Day/Nominations
9. 17/03/2023 Annual Cancellations reminder
10. Central Highlands Water: Quarterly invoice \$392.63 (\$3.27 daily cost)
11. Sapphire Coast Congress: 29th – 30th April
12. Online printer maintenance/usage contract invoice due 03/04/23 : \$133.87
13. WRBA AGM notice Zoom 17th April
14. Telstra invoice due 03 April: \$130 .00
15. Sale Bridge Club congress
16. 27/03/2023 Forwarded from Andrew Slutzkin: Meeting at Geelong Bridge Club re Western Region Bridge club representation on VBA – John Walsh president GBC
17. Antarctica & South America Bridge Cruise January 6 - February 1 2024
18. 27/03/2023 Geoffrey Warren to John Quayle re Meeting at GBC 4th April: Agrees that this VBA / VBAC / VBOC planning is taking too long!
19. 28/03/2023 Andrew Slutzkin: Issues re the proposed role of BVOC that need to be clarified
20. Australian Bridge Magazine April 2023
21. 28/03/2023 Further correspondence re proposed meeting at GBC 4th April. Thread Ref Andrzej Krolikowski (Metropolitan Councilor); John Quayle Pres. WBC; John Edward GBC; John Walsh Pres. GBC; Jan van Riel VBA Council
22. 29/03/2023 Bridge Victoria Operation Committee BVOC Scope and Composition outcome after 6th Strategy and Planning Day that 'we will continue to implement *the mature model* identified for stage 3. State and Club will be organizationally separated with a shared service function covering accounting, IT and Web services.
23. Bendigo Bridge Club Notice of Congress 27th -28th May
24. 03/04/2023 Andrew Slutzkin: further summary of changes at VBA prior to meeting at Geelong Bridge Club 4th April

Outgoing:

1. Condolence card to Diane Bulman
2. 08/03/2023 Nicholas Venville Property Officer City of Ballarat: Signing page of Lease emailed
3. Andrea House, Embroiderers Guild Victoria: OK to use of guild rooms 17th –19th April
4. Thankyou Michelle Christopher re: donation of hand sanitizers (100 x 250ml dispensers)

Acceptance of Correspondence: Moved Kaye McFarlane, 2nd Annette Pearce. Carried

Reports: Committee

- Kaye McFarlane – nil
- Bruce Morley - Reported with attendees pr from meeting with Christopher Leach, (President VBA) at Ballarat Bridge Club Tuesday 28th March re: proposed changes at VBA. Bruce Morley, Anne Beck, Leigh Dunne, Mary Oswell and Margaret Whitefield attended this meeting.
- Ian Gunn – has ordered name badges requested
- Trish Farney – discussion of rental fee and charging for utilities
- Colleen Ludbrook – nil
- Brian Hassett - nil
- Annette Pearce – nil
- Leigh Dunne – OH&S Supervisor - soon to have time available
- Clare Beer – nil
- Margaret Whitefield – nil
- Mary Oswell – nil

Acceptance of Reports: Moved Clare Beer, 2nd Mary Oswell. Carried

Business arising from previous meeting/general business:

1. Evaluation of face-to-face play with COVIDSafe Plan: Continue as previously directed. Because the bridge playing room becomes stuffy with no ventilation in the cooler seasons Mary Oswell moved that 'Thermostats in room to be set at 20°C.' 2nd Leigh Dunne. Carried.
Members are requested to wear layers of clothing to ensure their personal comfort at this temperature. Overhead fans will be on to ensure air circulation and promote temperature management
2. Recommencement of lessons Saturday 18th March 2023, 10.00 am – 12.00 noon.
\$25.00/ person. 10 sessions
12 participants Saturday April 1.
3. Ballarat Bendigo Ashes: 22nd April 2023
Work Plan to be prepared for set up of room, ongoing maintenance of playing amenity, service of final drinks and nibbles and closedown.

4. Establishment of committee to manage Club hosted events. Deferred to next meeting
5. Annual membership subscriptions: Australian Bridge Federation cancellation list
= 82 financial members
6. Lease for building: No contact from City of Ballarat
7. Lease for Embroiderers Guild Victoria Ballarat: to be prepared
8. :Needing a partner procedure? See whiteboard notice “Needing a Partner” Thursday and Saturday

New Business:

1. Suggestion Box -Trevor Tonkin: Why \$10.00 Table fee for visitors? Bruce Morley moved ‘That the status quo of a table fee of \$10.00 for each visitor be maintained’. 2nd Leigh Dunne. Carried
2. Noise during playing sessions
Annette Pearce moved, ‘That a bell be used by a nominated person to remind bridge players that the noise is rising’. 2nd Leigh Dunne .Carried
3. Ventilation of room during playing sessions
4. Suggestion Box - Chris Hynd: Implementation of a teams event
Moved Mary Oswell ‘That a notice be put up that would indicate which members are interested in forming a team of 4 players to participate in a team event that would be run on a Tuesday to be nominated. Noting that this event is viable only with sufficient participation’. 2nd Clare Beer. Carried
5. Australia-Wide Novice Pairs Thursday May 25. Cost per person = Table Fee & \$5.00
Fewer than 100mp’s / person

Business for next meeting:

1. Suggestion Box

Next meeting: Monday 8th May, 10.00 am

Meeting closed: 12.00 noon