

Hartford Bridge Club
Board of Trustees' Meeting
August 20, 2026 (via Zoom)

Called to order at 2:05 pm. Present, David Brandwein, Lori Leopold, Rick Thibodeau, Ann Lohrand, Ann Hughes, Linda Starr, Ausra Geaski, Ben Levine, John Lloyd, Donna Feir.

President: David welcomed us to the meeting, recognized that we had a quorum, and asked for any additions to the agenda. He updated us on the status of the Nominating Committee – they have met and have a slate to present at the annual meeting. Tom Joyce will lead the Bylaws committee. Ausra Geaski will be the temporary lead for Member Operations. The unfortunate incident that occurred recently will be discussed at a later time.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the July 23, 2026, meeting were accepted. We have received a \$5,000 donation this month.

Treasurer's Report: Rick reported that \$20,000 has been invested in Fidelity via our Investment Policy. The cash balance is \$121,252.77. For July, the net equity is \$180,644.92. Net operating income for the month is \$583.72. John Dinius presented a report from the Financial Committee.

Manager's Report:

- Membership dues are now at a reduced rate until the beginning of our next fiscal year. Membership is now 362.
- Monday afternoon game limit will be raised to 1750 beginning September 14.

Old Business:

- CBA/ Unit 126 & NEBA/ District 25 – Tournament scheduled August 7, 8, 9 was successful with 180 tables over the 3 days. Many HBC members attended. Mike Hess. President of the CBA will be playing with Ben at the mixer game on August 21.
- Transition update – David and Lori will be meeting with the leads to prepare for the administration change beginning November 1.
- Lease renewal is ongoing.

New Business

- Bylaws
 - The committee is seeking opinion of the Board as to may an Operations Lead serve on the Board.
- Financial info will be distributed at the annual meeting.
- Club sponsored lunches seem to be paying for themselves by increased table numbers so they will continue.
- Donna and Sue Seckinger will direct the annual meeting game.
- Gift cards for games are always available through the game directors.

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 17 @1:30

Meeting adjourned 3:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Ann Lohrand