

Hartford Bridge Club
Board of Trustees' Meeting
October 16, 2024

Called to order at 1:30 pm. Present, Ben Bishop, David Brandwein, Eric Vogel, Ann Lohrand, Nancy Calderbank, Mike Wavada, Diane Tracy, Ann Hughes, Linda Starr, Donna Feir, Sally Kirtley, Richard Thibideau and John Dinius.

President: Ben thanked the outgoing members – Nancy, Mike and Eric and introduced Richard as incoming treasurer (presumed). There were no changes to the agenda.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the August and September meetings were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: The cash balance is \$120,455.71. For September, the net equity is \$100,894.98. Income vs. expenses for the month of September was \$1,875.20. The game total for September was 335.5 tables.

Financial Committee: presented the financial summary for 2023 - 24. Ben recommended a director's fee increase of \$20 beginning November 1, 2024. Motion was approved, with 2 abstentions (Starr, Hughes).

Manager's Report: Donna reported we have 243 members, with renewals still coming in. The new Deal Master, card dealer, is a major improvement. The club is ranked 23rd in table count in the country, quite an achievement!

Old Business:

- The annual meeting date is Sunday, November 3. There will be a luncheon followed by an open and 750 game.
- Partnership pairing – thanks again to Bill Larsen for running this.
- Spruce up facility – we will be looking into purchasing new cup holders.
- Ann Hughes will chair the Education Committee.

New Business:

- Planning Committee chaired by David Brandwein will be planning Swiss Events and looking to spread
- Face mask Policy reviewed – if asked to put on a mask please do so. If sick please do not come to the club.
- The nominating committee will be presenting a slate of new trustees and officers.

Executive Session- The board met in executive session to discuss and decide on honoraria that will be presented at the annual meeting.

Next Meeting: November 13 @1:30

Meeting adjourned 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Ann Lohrand