

**South Orange County Bridge Center  
Unit 538 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
April 24, 2019**

President Richard Picheny called the meeting to order at 4:10 PM. Board members present were Jay Nuccio, Larry Hedge, Odile Gendreau, Bob Levine, and Maggie Briskie. Club Manager Gail Schneider was also present.

Bob Levine made the motion to approve the March 21, 2019 minutes. Larry Hedge seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Reports:**

**Treasurer:** Larry Hedge reported on the financial condition of SOCBC.

Maggie Briskie made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Bob Levine seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Larry Hedge led a discussion on the table counts for Saturday mornings and Wednesday nights. Attendance remains low on both days. The decision was made to continue holding games on Saturday mornings, and Wednesday nights and track the attendance until the end of May.

Richard Picheny reported that the IRS sent SOCBC a letter with questions on the interest income earned over the past two years. SOCBC is a non-profit organization.

Richard Picheny wrote a response to the IRS that the interest income we accrue on the CD's is not included in unrelated business taxable income.

**Club Manager:**

Gail reported that some of the bridge mates are sticking and not working well. The decision was made to have all of our bridge mates restored in good working order on a rotating basis.

A discussion was held on SOCBC holding STaC games sponsored by the Western Conference as well as those sponsored by District 23.

Maggie Briskie made the motion that SOCBC participate in the Western Conference STaC games scheduled for the week of May 6. Jay Nuccio seconded. The motion was modified to add that the Board would review the results and players comments and then decide if our club will participate in the Western Conference STaC games in the future. The motion was unanimously approved.

Gail Schneider announced that the GNT's national qualifier would be held on May 25 and 26 and June 1 and 2 at SOCBC. Scott Campbell will be the Director. We will need a separate Director for the regular Saturday afternoon game. The decision was made to hold the Saturday afternoon regular game at 12:30 pm. Games on Saturday mornings May 25 and June 1 are cancelled.

Gail Schneider reported that she is still working on developing new game directors for our club.

**Membership:** Bob Levine reported that we currently have 576 members.

**Facilities:** Richard Picheny reported on the proposed partition replacement.

Richard Picheny led a discussion on replacing our carpet with something similar to the new carpet that the landlord installed in the hallway. The decision was made to see how the new carpet wears and make a decision on replacing our carpet in the future.

**Education:** Maggie Briskie reported that classes are ongoing and a new beginning class began on April 4 with 20 new students.

**Health:** Odile Gendreau reported that we are on-line with the defibulator and will be emailed when the battery and pads need to be replaced.

**Old Business:**

**Appointment of a Volunteer Coordinator:** The decision was made to not pursue this program at this time.

**Letter to Players:** Maggie reported that Anna Kreucher made revisions to a letter to players and Directors reminding them to be pleasant and courteous to one another. It was decided that the letter information would be included in the newsletter or sent in an email blast.

**STaC Movements:** Richard Picheny led a discussion on the various STaC movements that can be used at our club. The decision was made to keep the STaC games as a one-section movement.

**Charity Games** - Richard led a discussion on holding Charity games at the club.

Bob Levine made the motion to continue holding charity games 2 times a week. Odile Gendreau seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Coffee Service Upgrade:** This item was tabled until next month.

## **New Business:**

**New Dealing Machine:** Richard Picheny led a discussion on replacing our dealing machine, which seems not to be working well.

Bob Levine made the motion to purchase a new dealing machine from Dealer Pro, and keep the old machine in good working condition as a back up. Maggie Briskie seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Food Purchasing:** The decision was made to continue giving free plays to Bob and Marilyn Cavanaugh 5 days a week.

**Twilight Games:** This item was tabled until next meeting

**Promotion and Goals:** Jay Nuccio led a discussion on developing goals for our club. Our primary goal is to increase the number of participants in our games. Richard Picheny will serve on a committee along with Jay Nuccio, Larry Hedge and Bob Levine. The committee will meet separately and present their findings back to the Board.

**GNT:** A request was made by John Kissinger to add an additional GNT team game in May. The decision was made to authorize Richard Picheny and Gail Schneider to determine the date and feasibility of adding an additional GNT game.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting of the board was set for Thursday May 23, 2019.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:37 PM.