



**BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY BRIDGE CENTER  
JANUARY 8, 2021**

ATTENDING: Susan Bristol, Suzie Demer, Joop Doorn, Frank Grossman, Linda Jonas, Jay Nuccio, Marshall Pearlman, Gale Senter, Dan Thorkelson

Frank Grossman called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

**Appointment to the Board**

- Frank has appointed Linda Jonas as a Special Representative to the Board. She will be in charge of Goodwill & Welfare.

**Club Goals for 2021**

- Open the club for face to face bridge in 2021.
- Keep our club operational and viable until we open the physical club.

**Costa Mesa Bridge Club Proposal**

- The Board received a proposal by Ellis Feigenbaum, owner of the Costa Mesa Bridge Club (CMBC), to pool our games. The proposal would allow members of CMBC to play in South Orange County Bridge Center (SOCBC) games and vice versa. It would *not* combine our games as we have done with Laguna Woods Bridge Club.
- Ellis wants to add morning games in which our members would be allowed to play. He would share revenue based on the number of SOCBC members playing in his games.
- ACTION: The Board voted not to accept the proposal to allow reciprocity to play in the CMBC and SOCBC games.

**Friday Morning Game**

- Frank would like to bring back the Friday morning bridge game, potentially raising the MP limit to 150.
- Frank will contact Trudi to see if she is willing to take on the game.
- There was discussion on offering a 15-minute Zoom lesson prior to the game. Frank demonstrated the Zoom white board, how to show documents and pictures, and how to use PowerPoint. We can also make handouts available.
- Publicizing the game was also discussed.

**Real Estate**

- For January, the decision was made to pay half of our rent in exchange for a one month extension on our lease. The lease currently ends November, 2021.
- There was a discussion on the economics of the various options:
  - Close our current location.
  - Look for another space potentially in the Capistrano Business Park which is owned by our current landlords.
  - Re-negotiate our current lease.
  - Get into a smaller space now in our current location with the option to expand when we open.
  - Continue to pay half the rent and add a month to our current lease.
  - Buy our own space when a distressed business property presents itself.
  - Request a face to face meeting with the owner.
  - ACTION: A face to face meeting will be requested. Attending that meeting will be Gale, Frank and Jay.

**Miscellaneous**

- Banking arrangements with the new Board need to be completed.
  - Frank Grossman is already on the account, and will be changed to President. Others to be added include: Gale Senter and Susan Bristol.
  - John Nuccio, Anna Kruecher and Carol Pangburn will be removed.
- Change the slate of officers with District 22
- Frank will work on a revised Director schedule. Marshall, Richard and Susan have all offered to take on another day. Susan expressed a preference for Mondays.

The meeting adjourned at 10.55 AM.