



**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY BRIDGE CENTER
MARCH 9, 2021**

ATTENDING: Susan Bristol, Frank Grossman, Dianna Hoffman, Linda Jonas, Jay Nuccio, Marshall Pearlman, Richard Picheny, Gail Schneider, Gale Senter, Dan Thorkelson

Frank Grossman called the meeting to order at 3:37 PM.

Treasurer's Report

- Dianna is in the process of updating the signatories on the Schwab account.
- We have been re-investing CDs as they mature, keeping in mind our required minimum balance in our checking account to avoid fees. Dianna will check with Judy Brennan if we are restricted to investing in CDs as a non-profit, or if there are other instruments in which we can invest.

Facility Rental

- Gale had lease comps done and while current rental rates are lower, they have only decreased slightly. Gale will have the comps run again as we get closer to the termination of our lease and future space requirements are better defined.

Computers

- The virtual computer has been eliminated.
- Everything is working fine.
- Frank is working on how to turn on the wall monitors.
- Thanks to Frank and John Hennessey getting our computer up and running.
- John Hennessey has the backup computer and will serve as our tech support.

Re-opening Survey

- Thanks to Marshall for providing a draft of a member survey that will be used to find out how many members are planning on returning to the club.
- Susan offered to post the survey on Survey Monkey for our members. Janie can distribute the link via a member blast. In addition, the survey will be offered electronically and can be mailed back to Marshall or completed and returned to his email.
- The primary points we want included in the survey is whether members are planning on coming back, if they will return for morning and/or afternoon games, which days of the week and which section they will play in.
- BBO games will not be addressed in the survey.
- Once we get survey results, we will convene another meeting of the Board.

Club Re-opening

- When Orange County advances to the Orange Tier, our club will be able to open at 25% capacity. We think we are about 2 months away from that.
- When we open we will follow all CDC and state guidelines.
- Decisions about a waiver and vaccines will be made by the Board as we get closer to opening and we can better assess the environment in which we will be operating.
- At this point, we assume that we run a minimum number of games on BBO with the aim of eliminating those in the future.
- ACBL will reduce masterpoints offered on BBO once clubs are able to re-open.
- When we open reservations will be required and walk-ins will not be allowed. We will maintain a phone contact for reservations for people unable to reserve online.
- It is anticipated our initial game schedule will be to offer NLM games in the morning on some days, and Open games in the afternoon on some days. Or, if all games will be in the afternoon to alternate Open games on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and NLM games on Tuesday and Thursday. We will not have the capacity to run both sections at the same time when we first open.
- Susan presented an idea from Joop who was unable to join us regarding Plexiglas pods or dividers on each table. Cost is approximately \$170-\$200 each and would be used on each table to minimize aerosol transmission between players at the same table. The idea was tabled until we get closer to opening and we have a better idea of the operating environment.
- For right now, we need to be very fluid with everything until our status, guidelines upon opening and other things are known.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 PM.