



**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY BRIDGE CENTER
OCTOBER 17, 2022**

President Richard Picheny called the meeting to order at 3:55 P.M. Board members present were John Jonas, Gale Senter, Frank Grossman, Susan Bristol and Maggie Briskie. Club Manager Gail Schneider and Joyce Potter were also present.

John Jonas made the motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes from September 22, 2022. Frank Grossman seconded. The motion was approved.

Club Manager

Gail Schneider reported that the NLM Sectional will be held on Saturday, October 22 and Sunday, October 23. The Saturday Open Game will be held as well. Swiss Teams will be moved to Sunday, October 30th due to the NLM Sectional.

Gail Schneider led a discussion on having a substitute director for classes. ACBL rules state that all games where players earn points need a qualified ACBL Director.

STAC Week will be the week of October 31 and upgraded club championship will continue for the next 3 weeks.

Facilities

John Jonas reported that he is working on finalizing our facility set-up and will be replacing the faucet in our kitchen.

Education

Gale Senter reported that Bob Levine will be starting Play of the Hand on October 31st. The Education Committee is still searching for a qualified person who would teach beginners.

Membership

Susan Bristol reported that we now have 470 members. A discussion was held on how we can encourage our members to actually play at the club instead of BBO.

Old Business

Sectional

Joyce Potter discussed that plans for the NLM Sectional are progressing. Volunteers have signed up to help make and serve the food. John Colombe will direct both days.

Holiday Party

Maggie Briskie announced that plans for the Holiday Party are moving ahead. The party will be held on Saturday, December 10 at SOCBC. Reservations will be taken beginning in November.

Election for New Board Members

Richard Picheny reported that Sunny Foster and Gary Fong will serve on the Nominating Committee. There are three Board positions open. The election will be held in November and the results will be announced at the Holiday Party.

Jim Senter and Sally Palmear Awards

Gale Senter and Joyce Potter will be taking nominations for qualified candidates for each award. The Award recipients will be announced at the Holiday Party on December 10.

New Business

Pro Am Program

John Jonas reported that he would like to see the ProAm game return. The ProAm Program partners a NLM player with an Open Player. John Jonas and Gale Senter will organize the Pro Am Program to begin after the new year.

Vacations for the Directors

Susan Bristol announced that she will need a substitute for Friday Mornings and Monday Nights while she is on vacation. Trudy Hanscom will be filling in on Friday mornings. Gale Senter, Subba Ravipudi, Richard Picheny and Gail Schneider offered to fill in as needed on Monday nights on BBO.

Barometer Games

A discussion was held on bringing back barometer games. Susan Bristol announced that Friday morning would not be holding barometer games for a while because attendance was down. Suggestions were held to bring back the barometer game for NLM and Open players on the 5th Sunday of the month. This item was tabled until next month.

Next Meeting: Monday, November 14, 2022

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 P.M.