



**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY BRIDGE CENTER
JANUARY 16, 2023**

President Richard Picheny called the meeting to order at 4 P.M. Board members present were Frank Grossman, Susan Bristol, Mary Dee Kienstra, John Jonas, Trish Silverberg, and Maggie Briskie. Club Manager Gail Schneider was also present.

Trisha Silverberg made the motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes from December 27, 2022. Frank Grossman seconded. The motion was approved.

President's Update

Richard Picheny reported that we reached an agreement with Duncan and will be pooling with them when our players play on BBO. Susan Bristol will continue directing the Monday night game on BBO. The decision was made to place a reminder in the newsletter to encourage our players who are playing on BBO to play in Duncan's games.

Richard Picheny announced that the IRS will be auditing SOCBC for the year 2020. The club was closed due to COVID from March 2020 - March 2021. The IRS is questioning unrelated business income but documentation is in place for the audit.

Financial Report

Trish Silverberg reported on the financial condition of SOCBC.

Club Manager

Gail Schneider reported on the death of one of our directors, Mike Murray.

Swiss Teams were held on Wednesday, January 11 and attendance was good. The decision was made to hold Swiss Teams again in February and if we have enough teams continue every month on the second Wednesday throughout the year. Swiss Teams are also being held on the 4th Sunday of each month.

Gail Schneider announced that on Saturday, February 18, SOCBC will be holding a lunch and upgraded club championship honoring Ron Lien.

Facilities

John Jonas reported that the lock in the handicapped stall of the Women's restroom is broken and he has contacted the landlord for repair.

Education

Richard Picheny reported that a beginning class will begin on Mondays in February with Steve Jackson as the teacher. Enrollment is on-going.

Membership

Susan Bristol reported that we have 460 members.

Old Business

Vaccination Requirement for Students and Players - Richard Picheny led a discussion on requiring proof of vaccinations for our students and players. The decision was made to not require our players and students to show proof of vaccinations or boosters.

Pro-Am

John Jonas reported that he is organizing the Pro-Am Program which pairs a life master player with a NLM player. The decision was made to hold this game on Wednesday, March 22. The regular game for that day will be cancelled.

New Business

Open Sectional

Richard Picheny reported that the annual Open Sectional will be held February 25 - 26, 2023. Volunteers will be fixing breakfast and lunch on both days. Gail Schneider reported that there will not be a Unit Game in February.

NLM Class on Drury

Mary Dee Kienstra reported that several NLM players would like a class on Drury. This item was referred to the Education Committee.

Directors Class

Mary Dee Kienstrta reported that ACBL is holding an on-line course on January 23 - 26 for people who would like to be certified as directors. Laguna Woods is also holding a 7-week course for potential directors beginning Tuesday, January 31 with Charlyn Johnson as the teacher. Gail Schneider reported that she would offer a course for our players if there is an interest.

Next Meeting: Monday, February 13, 2023

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 P.M.