



**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY BRIDGE CENTER
JULY 15, 2024**

President Richard Picheny called the meeting to order at 4:10 P.M. Board members present were John Jonas, Trisha Silverberg, Tricia Jennings, Susan Bristol, Mary Dee Kienstra and Maggie Briskie. Club Manager Gail Schneider and Janie Matlaf were also present.

John Jonas made the motion to approve the Board Meeting Minutes from June 17, 2024. Tricia Jennings seconded. The motion was approved.

President's Update

Richard Picheny reported that the table counts for SOCBC are improving.

Richard Picheny reported we are reinstating Friday Night Bridge on the second Friday of the month. Scott Huddleston, Sylvia Srigley, Betsy Hartley and Lisa Buchner have agreed to organize Friday Night Bridge which will include potluck appetizers/desserts and a Social and an Open game. The monthly event will begin Friday, August 9.

Financial Report

Trisha Silverberg reported on the financial condition of SOCBC.

Club Manager

Gail Schneider reported that the Saddleback Unit is sponsoring a Sectional on Saturday and Sunday, August 10 and 11 and by agreement SOCBC will not have a game on Saturday, August 10.

Membership

Susan Bristol reported that she and Tricia Jennings have been working on the **Return to the Fold Report** (555 Report). This report gives clubs the chance to be compensated for recruiting members who have lapsed their membership and also to encourage new players to sign-up for ACBL. On the report there are about 15 lapsed and 5 at-risk people on the report. Richard Picheny and Tricia Jennings offered to call those people and find out if they plan to return to SOCBC.

Facilities

Last month, the SOCBC Board decided to get an estimate to replace the carpet in our facility. Richard Picheny announced that Al Silverberg offered to donate the cost of replacing the carpet. Since we are replacing the carpet, it would be a good time to repaint the facility. Trisha Silverberg volunteered to get a quote to repaint the club.

Education

Janie Matlaf reported that classes are ongoing. Another Beginning Bridge class will start September 9.

Old Business

Roster

Janie Matlaf led a discussion on publishing a new roster with a hard copy or publishing the roster on the SOCBC website. Janie suggested that the roster would be more up-to-date if the roster were on-line with a protected password. On-line would include last name, first name, email address and telephone numbers. If a member would prefer a hard-copy the club would print a copy for them.

Richard Picheny made the motion to publish an on-line roster with password protection. The password would be generated by Jeremy Chao and changed periodically or perhaps the password could be a member's ACBL number. Jeremy Chao will see which option works best. A hard copy would be available to those who request it. Mary Dee Kienstra seconded. The motion was approved. Janie Matlaf will chair the project.

New Business

Weekend or Evening 8-Is-Enough Team Games

Mary Dee Kienstra reported that several NLM members have requested that we hold 8-Is-Enough Team Games or Pro-Am games on the weekend for those members who work. Currently attendance is low on our weekend games and we have one team game on the 4th Sunday of the month. The decision was made to not add any additional games on the weekend.

Next Meeting: Monday, August 19, 2024

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 P.M.