

Minutes

Bridge Center of Greater Lansing, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting

16 January, 6:00PM

Present: E. Kales, A. Hill, P. Munshaw, P. Stephenson, J. Stimpfle

Absent: J. Patrick, D. Sheedy

1. Minutes of the 12 December meeting were accepted as corrected.
2. Treasurer's Report for December showed +\$391, with a year-to-date profit of +\$788, and a bank balance of \$5,224. There were some discrepancies noted between table counts and averages thereof. Game directors need to be made aware that when a deposit is made without using one of our preprinted deposit slips, the bank charges a special fee.
3. Communication: It was suggested that the starting times for our Sectional be changed to 11:00AM and 3:30PM for both days. We need Publicity and Hospitality Committees. Kales and Hill will work with Royal Scot on the between-sessions menu for Saturday and Sunday.
4. As mentioned, Dave Sheedy has retired as the Monday Director. Kales is at present directing, but we need to develop our director pool so that each regular game has its own regular director and there are other "spare" directors who may be called on to substitute in emergencies. Ken Korb, Rick Johns, Harry Oman have all expressed interest in the past at becoming directors. Alice Hill will schedule a session for all to attend who have interest in becoming Certified ACBL Directors. Kales is an official certification exam administrator.
5. Kales suggested that Friday evening (1) start at 7:00PM as do all our other evening games, and (2) play a 27-board movement as routine. The probable pool of Friday players need to be polled to find out who would stop attending if these changes were put into effect.
6. Nothing from Recorder Joedy Patrick.
7. Reminders:
 - (a) Monday February 27th 12:30PM Senior Game, \$6⁰⁰ entry.
 - (b) Grand National Teams District March 4th and 5th.
 - (c) New date for Sectional: May 6-7 at Royal Scot.
8. Annual meeting set for Sunday April 30th 1:00PM.
9. Board of Director terms are up for Eugene Kales, David Sheedy, and Patricia Stephenson. Pat and Dave are retiring; Gene is running for reelection. The nominating committee of Hill, Patrick, Munshaw, and Stimpfle is responsible for encouraging five other candidates to run— six candidates for three seats is our goal.
10. Next meeting Monday February 13th at 6:00PM.

There being no other business, meeting was adjourned at 6:50PM.

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13 February, 6:00PM

Present: E. Kales, A. Hill, P. Munshaw, J. Patrick, P. Stephenson, J. Stimpfle

Absent: D. Sheedy

1. Minutes of the 16 January meeting were accepted as submitted.
2. Treasurer's Report for January showed -\$342, and a bank balance of \$4,883.
3. Communication: It was suggested that we have a Pro/Am. There is a fifth Thursday in March and so the consensus of the Board it to schedule a Pro/Am for Thursday March 31st; players may have their names put "in the pot" to be randomly paired with Pros or may choose to play with their regular partners.

Kales moved that the Friday game starting time be changed from 7:30PM to 7:00PM which is the same as the Monday evening, Tuesday evening, Wednesday evening, and Thursday evening game starting times; and that the standard movement be 27 boards, an increase from the 24 board movements used on MTWT. The motion passed, effective with the first Friday in March.

4. Nothing from Recorder Joedy Patrick.
5. Reminders:
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7. The Unit and District did not approve our requested or alternate weekends for a sectional at Royal Scot. Our choices conflicted with a local Detroit Pro/Am or were too close to the Grand Rapids Sectional.
8. Board of Director terms are up for Eugene Kales, David Sheedy, and Patricia Stephenson. Pat and Dave are retiring; Gene is running for reelection. The nominating committee of Hill, Patrick, Munshaw, and Stimpfle is responsible for encouraging five other candidates to run- six candidates for three seats is our goal. Name suggested for nomination were Jerry Barnes and Suzanne Baker.
9. Since the Newsletter with ballot and announcements for our XXVII Annual Meeting will be published near the end of March, any suggestions for agenda items and nominations for the Board need to be in *soon*.
10. The annual Spring Cleanup has been placed on the agenda for the Annual Meeting. Whether it should be before or after spot treatment and/or steam cleaning will be discussed.
11. Next meeting Monday March 13th at 6:00PM.

There being no other business, meeting was adjourned at 6:50PM.

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13 March, 6:00PM

Present: E. Kales, A. Hill, P. Munshaw, P. Stephenson, J. Stimpfle

Absent: J. Patrick, D. Sheedy

1. Minutes of the 13 February meeting were accepted as submitted.
2. Treasurer's Report for February showed +\$189, and a bank balance of \$5,071.
3. Communication: Jackie Oman has retired as game director for Friday. Dave Sheedy will take over after the St Paddy Party. Alice Hill has scheduled a 'Director Seminar' for Sat May 6th.
4. Nothing from Recorder Joedy Patrick.
5. Reminders:
 - (a) Friday March 27th 7:00PM St Patrick Day *Bring-a-Dish* Party food 6:00PM game 7:00PM.
 - (b) Pro/Am Thursday March 31st. Pairings from the Pool!
 - (c) XXVII Annual Meeting Sunday April 30th 1:00PM.
6. Newsletter is going out at the end of the month. All final nominations and major agenda items must be submitted by next week.
7. Annual Spring Cleaning will be scheduled at the Annual Meeting when we call for volunteers.
8. The local sectional has been approved for Sat/Sun at the Royal Scot July 1st/2nd. Game times will be 11AM both days and there will be an on-site meal included between both sessions both days.
9. Board consensus is to schedule a Pro/Am whenever a month has a fifth Thursday. March 31st is first upcoming and June 29 is the next one.
10. We shall hold Birthday Party Games on Friday evenings; any active shareholder whose birthday occurs in the timeperiod will play for free; all players are invited to a *Bring-a-Dish* Party and special game following.
11. How do we get into the MSU Adult Education Program? Stimpfle will find out how to get included and what this entails.
12. Next meeting Monday April 10th at 6:00PM.

There being no other business, meeting was adjourned at 6:50PM.

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10 April, 6:00PM

Present: E. Kales, A. Hill, P. Munshaw, P. Stephenson, J. Stimpfle

Absent: J. Patrick, D. Sheedy

1. Minutes of the 13 March meeting were accepted as submitted.
2. Treasurer's Report for March showed +\$688; y-t-d profit of +\$535; bank balance of \$5,071.
3. There were no communications from the membership.
4. Nothing from Recorder Joedy Patrick.
5. Reminders:
 - (a) Monday April 24th 6:00PM farewell *Bring-a-Dish* Party for Betty Bollinger.
 - (b) NonLM Sectional Saturday 29 April 1:00PM [4:45 dinner] 6:00PM.
 - (c) XXVII Annual Meeting Sunday April 30th 1:00PM.
6. Candidates for Board of Directors; nominations include Suzanne Baker, Jerry Barnes, Eugene Kales, Darryl Haynes, Ken Kosloski, Ernie Messenger.
7. Last minute addition to the Agenda of the Annual Meeting is a mention of the local sectional for Sat/Sun at the Royal Scot July 1st/2nd. Game times will be 11AM both days and there will be an on-site meal included between both sessions both days.

Also, mention should be made of the policy on a life master bringing a new player as a partner to the Thursday evening NonLM game.
8. Our local Precinct 3 will drop from 3 representatives on the Unit 195 board to 2 unless a membership drive can boost paid members from the current 140 to 150 or more.
9. The local sectional will be held Sat/Sun at the Royal Scot July 1-2. Fliers are needed for distribution; Kales to prepare them. District web site needs to be updated; Kales to notify webmaster and provide information.
10. Discussion occurred about whether to have the carpet cleaned before the meeting. The consensus of the Board is that we would get estimates for commercial grade cleaning and schedule it to be done after "Spring Cleanup" was done.
11. Next meeting to be after Annual meeting; new board will schedule the regular May meeting.

There being no other business, meeting was adjourned at 6:50PM.

30 April, 5:40PM

Present: E. Kales, A. Hill, K. Kosloski, E. Messenger, P. Munshaw, J. Stimpfle

Absent: J. Patrick

1. First meeting of the new board is set for Monday May 15th at 6:00PM.
2. Upon recommendation from the Membership, a motion was made and passed to change the starting time for Thursday afternoon to 12:30PM, effective in May.
3. There being no other business, meeting was adjourned at 5:45PM.

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15 May, 6:00PM

Present: E. Kales, A. Hill, K. Kosloski, E. Messenger, P. Munshaw, J. Stimpfle

Absent: J. Patrick

0. Motion made to certify Election results from election at XXVII Annual Meeting.

Results of the 30 April XXVII Annual Meeting Election in alphabetical order with votes received bracketed: Suzanne Baker[17], Jerry Barnes[11], Darryl Haynes[16], Eugene Kales[40], Ken Kosloski[31], Ernamarie Messenger[35]. There were 49 ballots cast; elected are Ken Kosloski, Ernamarie Messenger, and incumbent Eugene Kales. Motion made and unanimously passed to certify these results.

1. Minutes of the 10 April meeting were accepted as submitted.
2. Treasurer's Report for April showed -\$211; y-t-d profit of +\$323.
3. An incident which among other things involved player(s) leaving the Friday evening game was reported. The Board will meet as a Conduct Committee next Monday at 6:00PM to discuss this incident.
4. Nothing from Recorder Ken Kosloski.
5. Reminders:
 - (a) Friday May 26th 6:00PM "Spring Birthdays" *Bring-a-Dish* Party. Active members whose birthdays fall in the months of April, May, June are "Free."
 - (b) June/July/August are NAOP Club Qual games... check the calendar for dates... *no extra charge!*
 - (c) Local Sectional at Royal Scot July 1&2, 11:00AM both days.
6. Alice Hill reported on the Seminar which she arranged "Ruling the Game" with lunch graciously provided by her, and with guest speaker Kales. Seven attended the event on Saturday 6 May and everybody thought the seminar was fantastic and that they learned lots. With so favorable a response, we will definitely do another as a repeat or as a followup, with a nominal fee to cover lunch.
7. Spring Cleanup '06 is scheduled for Saturday June 3rd at 10AM. Carpet cleaning will be scheduled for the Tuesday following Cleanup.
(adjourned until Monday 22 May)
4. CONTINUED... The Board has had a chance to collect facts from various parties and met in closed session to discuss the matter. The player who left the game (1) shall receive zero masterpoints for the game, (2) is reprimanded by the Board for his behavior in leaving the game, and (3) is encouraged to apologize to the other innocent players who were inconvenienced.
8. Kales reported that Joedy Patrick has tendered his resignation from the Board as his business schedules prevent him attending meetings of the Board. The Board shall appoint (as by previous custom) one of the next highest candidates who was not elected in the most recent election to fill the remainder of the term. Kales to check with the appropriate person(s) on whether appointment is accepted.
9. Garage sale recently held at Ann's cleared \$170⁰⁰ for the Bridge Center.
10. Next meeting Monday June 19th at 5:30PM.
There being no other business, meeting was adjourned at 6:50PM.

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19 June, 5:30PM

Present: E. Kales, K.Kosloski, A. Hill, E.Messenger, P. Munshaw, J. Stimpfle

Absent: NONE

1. Minutes of the 15 and 22 May meetings were accepted as corrected.
2. Treasurer's Report for May showed +\$751; y-t-d profit of +\$1,074.
3. There were no communications from the membership.
4. Nothing from Recorder Ken Kosloski.
5. Reminders:
 - (a) June/July/August are NAOP Club Qualifying Months... check the calendar for specific dates... *no extra charge!*
 - (b) Local Sectional at Royal Scot July 1&2, 11:00AM both days.
 - oNeed Tables and Tablecloth rentals
 - oPrint more fliers for distribution; Stimpfle took some to Detroit, Avery took some to Kalamazoo.
 - (c) Friday July 14th Continent Wide Game; \$6⁰⁰ entry; hand records.
6. Alice Hill nominated for alternate; need her biopic sent to Joe Manhart for inclusion on the ballot.
7. Kales reported that the carpet has been cleaned, for \$200⁰⁰, and that the people who helped at the Spring Cleanup (Pat Munshaw, Terri Colthorp, Sally Angelacos) washed the tables and walls, replaced lightbulbs, and did general straightening up.
8. Stimpfle reported on his information gathering about MSU Evening College courses - they will provide everything except the instructor. Kales will investigate whether classes can be held at the Bridge Center with him as instructor.
7. The board discussed each suggestion on the long list submitted by a member in the suggestion box. Charity Games need to be scheduled. Directors need to remind and encourage players to keep the playing area neat and clean, especially with regard to food and drink detritus.
9. Ann Leonard and Pat Stephenson need to be removed from the Library account.
10. Next meeting Monday July 10th at 5:30PM. [later rescheduled to August 7th]
There being no other business, meeting was adjourned at 6:50PM.

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10 July, 5:30PM

1. The meeting was cancelled.
2. Next meeting Monday August 7th at 5:30PM.

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7 August, 5:30PM

Present: E. Kales, K.Kosloski, D. Haynes, A. Hill, E.Messenger, P. Munshaw, J. Stimpfle

Absent: NONE

1. Minutes of the 19 June meeting were accepted as submitted.
2. Treasurer's Report for June showed -\$1,750 and for July showed +\$1,120; y-t-d profit of +\$747.
3. Comments were received concerning:
 - oThat the Game Director should not play-and-direct.
 - oLetter of complaint about a player's behavior was received.
 - oMore copies of the Telephone List are needed.
 - oFloor baseboard edging needs to be fixed/reinstalled.
4. The two complaints/comments received were remanded to Recorder Ken Kosloski.
5. Reminders:
 - (a) August if the Final NAOP Club Qualifying Month... check the calendar for specific dates...
no extra charge!
 - (b) Life Master *Bring-a-Dish* Party for George and Helen VanAmburg Monday Aug 14th. ...or Dorothy Dunn and Betty Bollinger.
 - (c) Saturday Special with Dinner by Gene Aug 19th 1:00PM(4:45) 6:00PM \$20 all day. Detroit NABC Fundraiser sectionally rated black points.
6. Kales reported on the Sectional at its new location the Royal Scot. Tournament showed a loss of \$118 for the Unit; the Bridge Center made \$62 for providing supplies. Alice Hill assisted mightily in assuring smooth operations; Mary Lou Schaffer managed a selection of registration prizes for all who attended.
7. Kales reported that at the recent Unit 195 Board meeting, Paul Christ formally submitted his resignation since he is moving to Traverse City. The unexpired portion of his seat was filled by the Board without waiting for election results or votes of the local players. Sally Spalsbury was appointed upon recommendation by Dennis Carman.
8. Bylaw discussion is deferred. Copies of bylaws and of articles of incorporation are needed for all members of the Board.
9. Plans for lessons at the Bridge Center through the MSU Evening College are proceeding smoothly. Lessons would be Tuesday evenings at 7:00PM. Registration is through the Evening College.
10. Next meeting Monday September 11th at 5:45PM. [later rescheduled to September 18th]
There being no other business, meeting was adjourned at 6:50PM.

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18 September, 5:45PM

Present: E. Kales, K.Kosloski, D. Haynes, A. Hill, E.Messenger, P. Munshaw, J. Stimpfle

Absent: NONE

1. Minutes of the 7 August meeting were accepted as submitted.
2. Treasurer's Report for August showed +\$307; y-t-d profit of +\$1,049; bank balance of \$6,274. Alice Hill noted a possible discrepancy of \$1,000 and will check with our bookkeeper.

Secretary Kales will send to members of the Board copies of our Articles of Incorporation and Club Bylaws.
3. Comments were received concerning: oLloyd Oman died last week and we should hold a memorial charity game. oThe hot water tank under the kitchen sink should be fixed.
4. Nothing from Recorder Ken Kosloski.
5. Reminders:
 - (a) Life Master *Bring-a-Dish* Party for Leon Schmelzer Mon Sept 25th.
 - (b) Evening College Lessons start Tuesday Sept 26th 7:00PM.
 - (c) Next NonLM Sectional with Dinner by Gene is Saturday Oct 21st.
6. Kales reported on the results of the recent election for our Unit 195 Board Representatives. Kales was reelected by a substantial margin (Unit Secretary Joe Manhart is supposed to file the election materials with Unit Archivist Kales, but no exact numbers were available.) and Alice Hill narrowly defeated Darryl Haynes. The unexpired portion of the Paul Christ seat was filled by the Board without waiting for election results or votes of the local players. Sally Spalsbury was appointed upon recommendation by Dennis Carman.
7. All tenants at Point North received a letter from Corr Commercial informing us of the good possibility that the entire complex may be demolished and reconstructed in 2008. We must therefore look for a new location.
8. Bylaw discussion is deferred. Copies of bylaws and of articles of incorporation are needed for all members of the Board and a special meeting may need to be scheduled.
9. There were no noteworthy showings by local players in the NAP District Final at the MSU Union Sunday September 17th.
10. Next meeting Monday October 9th at 5:45PM. [later rescheduled to October 16th]

There being no other business, meeting was adjourned at 6:50PM.

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16 October, 5:45PM

Present: E. Kales, K.Kosloski, D. Haynes, A. Hill, E.Messenger, J. Stimpfle

Absent: P. Munshaw

1. Minutes of the 18 September meeting were accepted as submitted.
2. Treasurer's Report for September showed -\$212; y-t-d profit of +\$837; bank balance of \$6,061.
3. There were no communications from the membership. On the water heater replacement, Alice Hill reported that a new one would cost about \$170 plus installation.
4. Nothing from Recorder Ken Kosloski.
5. Kales reported that the Lesson Series through the MSU Evening College being taught by him at the Bridge Center is proceeding nicely; there are 4-5 tables. He will begin a regular game after the completion of the lessons open to all entry-level lesson and former lesson students.
6. Reminders:
 - (a) Life Master *Bring-a-Dish* Party for Kay Kevern and Gus McKearney Mon Oct 23rd.
 - (b) Next NonLM Sectional with Dinner by Gene is Saturday Oct 21st.
7. Articles of Incorporation and Bridge Center Bylaws were distributed to members of the Board. Kales to investigate when the Board/Members established that payment of annual dues included purchase of one share for a non-member to become a stockholder.
8. Pursuant to the 2008 demolition of our current location, Ernie Messenger arranged for board members to view a possible property Monday 23rd at 4:30PM next to Dunhams.
9. Next meeting Thursday November 16th at 5:45PM followed by a 'Meet Your Board' game. There being no other business, meeting was adjourned at 6:50PM.

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16 November, 5:45PM

Present: E. Kales, D. Haynes, A. Hill, E.Messenger, P. Munshaw, J. Stimpfle

Absent: K.Kosloski

1. Minutes of the 16 October meeting were accepted as submitted.
2. Treasurer's Report for October showed -\$165; y-t-d profit of +\$1,002; bank balance of \$6,226.
3. There were two pages of suggestions retrieved from the 'Suggestion Box' which were reviewed by the board.
4. Nothing from Recorder Ken Kosloski in his absence.
5. Reminders:
 - (a) Next NonLM Sectional with Dinner by Gene is Saturday Oct 21st.
 - (b) ACBL-wide Charity Game Monday 20 November, \$6⁰⁰ entry.
 - (c) Games cancelled for Thanksgiving both November 23rd and 24th.
 - (d) Thursday November 30th Pro/Am Game.
 - (e) S.T.A.C. Games December 4th through 8th: Monday 7:00, Wednesday 7:00, Thursday 12:30, Thursday 7:00, Friday 7:00.
6. Reference to annual dues and shares of stock was found in the minutes of the 13 May 1997 Board of Directors meeting:

SHAREHOLDERS WHO PURCHASED STOCK IN MAY AND APRIL SHALL HAVE THE \$10⁰⁰ APPLIED TOWARD THEIR ANNUAL DUES WHEN SAID DUES ARE PAID IN MAY.

Reference was also found in the bylaws:
V. [Shareholder Rights] (f) [definition of "active" member] (i) A MEMBER WITHIN THE FIRST THREE YEARS OF PURCHASING A CLASS A SHARE OF STOCK IN THE CORPORATION [OR] (ii) A MEMBER WHO HAS PAID ANNUAL DUES.

Based on these references, it has always been the practice of Secretary Kales to assign one share of stock to each new member who joins the club by paying annual dues.
7. Haynes requested copies of the agenda and minutes.
8. Holiday parties are scheduled for Monday December 18th, Thursday December 21st, and Friday December 15th [later changed to 22nd]. The Friday party will have drawings for gifts/prizes which the Secretary will purchase, a selection of wines and boxes of chocolates.
9. Next meeting Monday January 8th at 5:45PM [later rescheduled to 15th]
There being no other business, meeting was adjourned at 6:50PM.

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11 December, 5:45PM

1. No meeting was scheduled for December 2006.
2. Next meeting Monday January 15th at 5:45PM.