

White Rose Bridge Club September 18, 2023

Members Present: Judy Parsons, Sue Cathcart, Carl Fahnestock, Henry Behr, Cathy Brown, Gail Burke, Ike Hileman, and Edward Scanlon.

1. President Judy Parsons called the September Board Meeting to order.
2. Minutes of the August meeting were approved as emailed.
3. Treasurer's Report – Ed (via Judy)
 - A. August income - \$7,788.54 and August expenses - \$8,312.42
 - B. Cash balance - \$17,750.90 at the end of August plus a CD of \$10,216.00
 - C. Year End Statement – Income - \$95,993.14; Expenses - \$94,321.38 for a year end profit of \$1,671.76
 - D. Janey Account - Total \$122,536.37
 - E. The Treasurer's report was approved.
4. Club Manager's report
 - A. Edward will be gone intermittently through September and October, but everything is sent up for coverage
 - B. Jack Shorb is continuing to struggle with health issues and is in the hospital now with kidney stones. We will continue to support Kitty moving forward. All expressed what a valuable board member she is as she continues to communicate caring and concern to our bridge family.
 - C. The club continues to struggle financially without more new players. The following suggestions were offered:
 1. We should not get rid of the teaching portion of the club as that fosters growth.
 2. Tuesday and Friday afternoons - begin offering two sections at the same time, open and limited. Perhaps this could begin as early as October. Judy will ask Ed Magee about running these games.
 3. Everyone agreed that evening lessons were profitable, and perhaps they could be offered at another place.
 - D. Thursday and Friday morning classes are going very well, and people are excited to play bridge. Hopefully these groups will play Fridays in the limited game. Emails should be sent or calls made to the group who are presently attending the Thursday lessons to encourage them to continue playing in the games. Ike, Judy, Henry, Gail, and Sue volunteered to call newer players and encourage them. Ed will get the contact information for the volunteers to make the calls.
5. Old Business
 - A. Judy will email the logo for the membership booklet to the printer today. It will be a 2 day turn around. Since there are 3 new logos, a motion was made to use the logo without the address and put the address on the inside of the first page with other contact information. Motion carried.

- B. Slate of officers for elections in October are: Judy Parsons - President, Linda Davidson - Vice President, Gail Burke - Secretary, and Ed Magee - Treasurer. Lloyd Schubert and Michelle Hovis will be new board members.
- C. New classes – Cathy says they are going very well.
- D. Thanks to Brigitte for formatting the membership booklet.
- E. The credit card was maxed out this month. Judy will follow up with Ed about it.

6. New Business

- A. Annual Meeting – Subs will be ordered from the Memory Lane location. The Board will pick up the rest of responsibilities of setting up and cleaning up. Carl will bring cold sodas. Chips are still needed.
- B. A member suggested that we rent Harrisburg Club for Saturday night. Brian said we might have one Saturday here each month for a Saturday Night Special. It would be possible to buy food or cook in house, and board members could bring appetizers. Perhaps this could be reviewed at the start of the new year in January. The possibility should be announced at the Annual Meeting in order to get a committee together to run this game.
- C. Chairs – several members volunteered to buy chairs. It should be announced at the Annual Meeting and have people donate a specific amount.
- D. Ike will look into Bel Paese to see if it work for a new building.
- E. Cathy asked about updating or getting rid of the plaques. She will take them down and store them.
- F. Carl suggested we have a mixer for new people and have random partners. It could be social bridge with food and drinks. Cathy will get the nights that Brian will be able to give us.

Next board meeting: We will meet briefly after the Annual Meeting to decide on a date, so we can hear about the new board members' availability.

Judy adjourned the meeting.

Sue Cathcart, Secretary