

White Rose Bridge Club Annual Meeting
October 23, 2023

The Annual Meeting of the White Rose Bridge Club was called to order by President Judy Parsons on October 23, 2023.

1. A thank you was extended to the Burkes for organizing the annual meeting; Carl Fahnestock for providing the sodas and drinks; and Gayle Brass for setting up. A special thank you to Ed Scanlon for his outstanding efforts as manager.
2. Treasurer – Ed Magee
 - a. September financials included income of \$6,002.74, expenses of \$7,400.59, and a cash balance of \$14,840.83
 - b. Ed reported that the club ended the year with a surplus of \$1671.76 Revenue was \$95,993.14 and expenses were \$94,321.38. Cash balance, checking, and a CD is currently \$28,663.40 and the Investment Account with Janney is \$122,536.37.
 - c. Specific expenses for the year were Club Management - \$51,832.00; Rent - \$24,345.00; substitute directors \$6,488.50; and ACBL and special game fees - \$4,057.67.
 - d. Rent was raised this last year and incidentals continue to rise in cost - all contributing to a declining revenue.
 - e. Raising table fees would not be a preferred option to increase income, but we need the support of the club to make it profitable and minimize expenses.
 - f. Possible suggestions to minimize expenses would be to have a committee clean and repair chairs rather than purchase new ones. Also teaching proper ways to use the card table so that the corners remain undamaged will save the club from purchasing new tables.
 - g. It would be very advantageous for members to increase their play by one time each month as well.
 - h. Any ideas to help our financial situation should be relayed to Judy to pass on to the board.
3. The slate of officers and new board member for the coming year was presented.

President – Judy Parsons
Vice President – Linda Davidson
Secretary – Gail Burke
Treasurer – Ed Magee

Board Members:
Michelle Hovis
Lloyd Schubert

There were no nominations from the floor, so a motion was made to accept the slate by acclamation. The motion carried.
4. Suggestions from the floor
 - a. Janie McKnight presented Judy with a gift of a portable megaphone as a thank you for her hard work as the club president.

- b. The club is actively looking for a new building, and Ike reported that the optimal area would be in the Leaders Heights area or this area making it easy for commuters from Lancaster, Harrisburg, and Southern York.
 - c. Ed Scanlon reminded the membership that a new rent option may be \$60,000 to \$70,000 a month with all the overhead, rather than the present cost of \$24,000.
 - d. Cathy Brown reminded the membership about continuing to promote the Legacy Fund and to take the informational postcard along.
 - e. Grace Mullen, who works in non-profit fund-raising, suggested that we have a Holiday Drive and split the money with a charity. Cathy Brown indicated that there should be a committee to work on this.
 - f. A suggestion was also made to have Board members call to see why some people have not returned to the club. This plan is in the works with the board. Judy will follow up.
 - g. Buddy Hano suggested a hand showing of who is happy with the club location now. It was explained that presently the landlord will not allow evening or weekend games so that a new location may eliminate that obstacle and ultimately grow the club.
 - h. Any other pertinent suggestions should be forwarded to one of the board members.
 - i. All were reminded to take a membership renewal form as they leave.
5. There was a motion and a second to adjourn. Motion carried.

Sue Cathcart
Secretary