Corvallis Bridge Board Meeting  
August 14, 2013, 6pm

In Attendance: Greg Smith  Becky McKenzie  Eva Bodyfelt  Bob Peery  Eileen Milligan
Absent: Eric Larson  Joyce Dickerson  Rick Garvin  Mary Alice Seville

Greg called the meeting to order at 6:05pm.

First order of business was to discuss the summer picnic

Becky and Eva:

Date is August 23rd. Time is 6pm. Place is Senior Center in the big room. Pizza will be from American Dream. They are giving us a 15% discount. Members have been asked to bring their own place setting in order to reduce our trash. Some will be provided for those who don’t bring their own settings. Also being provided is Salad and Ice Tea. There is a sign up sheet in both Corvallis and Albany in order to get an idea of how much pizza should be ordered. Bridge will follow the picnic at 7pm with a 199er game and an open game.

2. Special Game

The Corvallis Bridge Club has earned an extra club championship game from ACBL because of the number of new members that have joined ACBL. The Corvallis Board decided to have that game on Friday, November 22, 2013.

Next order of business was to discuss the dealing of hands for games

Eileen:

We currently have 5 dealers dealing the boards for 12 months. Would like to increase that to be at least 12. It was decided that Eileen will create email to send out to all the members asking for more volunteers. Bob and Jan will also put out a sign up sheet and make announcements on this issue. Eileen will train everyone.

Other Business

1. Bridgemate Displays

In general the thought about bridgemate displays that has been conveyed to different board members is that newer players don’t like it and don’t want it on and more experienced players do like it and want it on. One member wrote a letter to the Corvallis Board expressing a strong desire to have everything turned back on to the
bridgemates. The board, however, has voted to not turn the bridgemate displays back on at this time. This issue will be reviewed again at the next board meeting.

2. Scoring Changes
   The issue has been brought to the board’s attention that many scoring changes occur after the game is over and scored. The question was raised concerning why we allow any changes to occur after the game. ACBL law says you must allow changes for 30 minutes after the game. However, both Jan and Bob agreed that it is easy to make changes unless it occurs at the end of month after Jan has already sent in the points to ACBL. It was agreed to continue allowing changes with limited changes on the last game of the month.

3. Subsidizing Bridge Education
   Parks and Rec have raised price of bridge lessons to $60 plus their passport cost. When they created their bulletin for the fall, Greg added the following to the ad for bridge: Financial Aid is provided by the Albany and Corvallis bridge clubs up to 60% of all bridge costs.
   Greg will also run ads in the Gazette Times. It is possible that ACBL will pay 75% of that cost. Greg will look into that issue. Bob stated that District 20 may pay for some of that cost as well.
   Becky proposed to approve scholarships. Eileen seconded. All were in favor. 5-0.

4. Suction
   Most board members still do not want to allow suction however it was agreed to discuss it again at the next board meeting.

Calendar

The Elks have said that we can not have bridge on the same Sunday that they feed the homeless. It just didn’t work for them. Therefore we have moved the game on Sunday the 8th back to the 15th of Sept.

Friday, August 23rd - Corvallis summer picnic
Sunday, Sept 15th, Corvallis 3rd Sunday Bridge (moved from Sept 8th)
Sunday, Oct 20th, Corvallis 3rd Sunday Bridge
Sunday, Nov 17th, Corvallis 3rd Sunday Bridge
Friday, Nov 22nd, Corvallis Club Championship Game
Sunday, Dec 15th, Corvallis 3rd Sunday Bridge

No other business to report or discuss at this time.

Greg adjourned the meeting at 6:55pm.

Submitted by Eileen Milligan, 8/18/13. 4:00pm