

**FARTHEST NORTH BRIDGE CLUB UNIT 426 CLUB # 146600**  
**APRIL 25, 2014 BOARD Meeting**

**Call to order** Time: \_\_\_\_\_ 6:00 \_\_\_\_\_ pm call to order

**Board Members Present:** Marcia Boyette, David Williams, Betty Chavez, & Penny Wakefield.

**Members present:** Gail Ballou Director, Shirley Liss Director, Shirley Daniel, Bonnie Williams and Patty Meritt

**Approval of previous board minutes.** .No minutes were read.

**Treasurer's Report: Checking** \$ 2660.99 **Savings:** \$ 1508.13 **CD accounts:** \$ 5049.26 **Total:** \$ \_\_9218.38\_\_

**Outstanding bills?** No outstanding bills

**REPORTS:**

**Club Manager Report:** Betty reported that all the special games had been signed up for the year. She also stated that she had assumed the Treasurer's position.

**Director's Report:** All games are covered. Shirley Liss suggested Free plays be dated as to when they were used.

**Tuesday & Wednesday & Friday directors of games:** Tuesday evenings: Gail Ballou; Wednesday afternoons: Julie Werda or Penny Wakefield; Friday evenings: Shirley Liss.

**Education report:** Winter's EASYBRIDGE class went on vacation and are now getting back. Spring class players have started playing and indicate that they will continue.

**New Business:**

**1. Treasurer Position:** A letter of resignation from William Allen was read and so far no one has volunteered for this position. Betty Chavez has taken over the position and Marcia Boyette volunteered to continue to work together. Discussion followed regarding the collection of the bridge fees: Decision was to have Directors collect the money and deposit directly into the account. Marcia will get deposit slips and account number for each director. Deposit slips and player list with free play tickets will be emailed or handed to Betty Chavez.

**2. \$1000 donation received in memory of Ivan Grondin from the family.** Suggestions for the use of the donation are as follows: **a. Purchase a new Computer:** Discussion followed and the decision was to not purchase a new computer at this time. New computers do not have the DOS program that Gail likes and the newer computers have the newer Windows program. The computer is slow but still works.

**b. Name the tournament after Ivan Grondin:** Discussion followed and motion made by Betty Chavez, seconded by Penny Wakefield, to dedicate the Sunday Swiss team event in memorial for Ivan, suggested by Shirley Liss. A suggestion of a permanent dedication would have to be discussed at the annual meeting in September. A Thank you to the family for the donation would be signed by everyone and sent to Mike Grondin. Other suggestions were to buy tablecloths for the Senior Center.

**3. Charity Month:** April is charity month with ½ of the games dedicated to ACBL and ½ to a local charity or to multiple charities. The amount is approximately \$80. Several Charity organizations were suggested with the final decision to send money to the Food Bank. Betty made the motion and Penny seconded. **Marcia read a comment regarding???**

**4. Increase in ACBL fees & STaC fees:** STaC fees are \$4.46 per table. Gail Ballou explained that the fees are Tournament registration fees for playing in the STaC games (pre-determined Hands played in District 19). ACBL Sectional table fees have increased to \$1.93 per table (up .04/table). Question about Increasing the Sectional Fees: The Decision was to make no change with the fees remaining the same as last year, \$10/session except on Sunday which includes lunch.

**5. CD maturing** – Suggestions for a better interest rate on a \$5000 CD that matures in May or another investment for the CD? Discussion and the decision was to roll it over for another year due to additional fees at Wells Fargo if CD was removed.

**6. Bridge plaque** – Decision was to find the plaque and to ask the Senior Center to hang on the wall. Senior Center had no problem with the plaque being hung there.

**7. Coffee/Tea fund.** The Senior Center said our club can use their coffee/tea and make contributions to pay them back. Should the board make monthly or quarterly contributions thus eliminating the need for individual players to contribute for coffee and tea? Motion made and voted on to buy our own coffee instead of using the Senior Center coffee because the small packs were too weak.

**SECTIONAL Business: Dates: Thursday July 31 to Sunday, August 3**

**SECTIONAL COMMITTEE:** Betty Chavez, Tournament Coordinator, compiled a list of sectional duties and asked for volunteers for the following areas:

**SUPPLIES FOR SECTIONAL:** Betty will check and have Gail order what is needed. Penny believes she has the box and will get to Betty.

**PARTNERSHIPS:** Shirley Liss volunteered. Sectional flyer to be updated with Shirley's email address and cell phone.

Shirley wanted a poster/flyers for the Anchorage Regional in May. Penny would provide undated poster and flyers.

**NAME TAGS & DAILY GREETER:** Penny volunteered to print NAME TAGS and find a greeter for each session.

**SNACKS & FOOD:** David Williams will assist with this with a sign-up sheet at local games for snacks just prior to the Sectional dates.

**SUNDAY LUNCH FOR SWISS TEAM PLAY:** Penny volunteered to check with Elks and see what was possible. The Elks have been paid \$100 for clean-up if we decide on outside food. Seems fair. Suggestion to keep the food fee to around \$500, charging \$5.00/person with the club subsidizing the rest. Mardee Roth will also help with Sunday Luncheon.

Volunteers needed for the following areas:

**HOUSING:**

**DOOR PRIZE DONATIONS:** needs a coordinator. Anyone with a donation should contact a board member.

**50/50 TICKETS:**

COMMENTS: No time for comments.

**Special Games have been signed up via email and calendar is listed below:**

**May-** STaC Games: May 6, 7 and 9

**ACBL-wide International Fund:** May 14

**Quarterly Club Championships:** May 20, 21, & 23

**STaC games:** Tuesday June 3 and Wednesday June 4

**June- Worldwide Bridge Contest:** Friday, June 6 and Saturday, June 7

**North American Pairs:** June 10, 11, 13, 17, 18, & 20

**July-** North American Pairs: July 8, 9, 11, 15, 16, & 18

**Farthest North Bridge Club Sectional dates: July 31 – August 3**

**August-** Sectional continues: August 1, 2, 3

**STaC Games:** August 19, 20, and 22

**North American Pairs:** August 12, 13, 15, 26, 27, & 29

**September-** Quarterly Club Championship: Sept. 16, 17, & 19

**October-** Jane Johnson Club Appreciation: October 7, 8, & 10

**Quarterly Club Championship Games:** October 28, 29, & 31

**November-** ACBL-wide Charity Game: November 5

**December -** No special games

**Suggestion Box:**

Adjourned at \_\_\_\_ 6:59 \_\_\_\_\_ PM

Submitted by: Dannetta Wakefield