

Minutes-Louisiana Bridge Association/Board of Directors Meeting  
March 14, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Federico at 2:30 P.M. In attendance were: Sherrie Goodman, Vicki Willis, Steven Plotkin, Larry Federico, Sid LeBlanc, Nelson Daigle, Jim Thornton, Wayne Weisler, Fred Lay, and Ben McKown. Absent: Sharon Henry.

The minutes were approved with corrections through today. The financial report was given by Sid. David Bybee did an audit and found a few minor errors. The recommendation from the insurance committee was that we don't get additional insurance.

Reports: Wayne reported on maintenance. The A/C and heating system #3 needs replacement. He gave the BOD two options. Option 1: Complete replacement of this unit at a cost of \$8712. Option 2: Mike could put a heating element for \$2000-2500 which would be a temporary solution. Our club would not have to close for either option. The BOD voted to go with option #1. Steve will report this to the novice/intermediate side that this will be done. Since table 5 is the coldest table on this side, a solution may be to not use this table. The outside handicap signs need to be replaced with sturdier signs since they keep breaking. JaniKing will clean the carpeting. Wayne will see to it that the tiles in the hall are cleaned. Finesse-West: Jim and Keenan Romig will be taking care of this event. New Orleans style food will be served. Seventy-eight players will be arriving on April 12 for this game. Our players will be required to pre-register for this game. The game will start at 10:30 A.M.

Old Business: We have 2 mentoring games coming up. (March 30 and April 23) Our players will be encouraged to wear name tags for these games. Our club needs to recruit new directors. A note to this effect will be put in the Kibitzer encouraging our players to take the directors course. If the player passes this test, the club will reimburse the cost of the director's test. Steve suggested that the directors be evaluated anonymously. The BOD felt that this was a good idea. Sherrie will get a form for this. The BOD will review these forms at the next meeting. Wayne will speak to Doug de Montlezun about the Monday 299er game. Wayne Merkel sent Larry a request for getting an electronic partnership

desk. Sherrie will check into this. Also, she will check into making changes to the web site. There were 2 suggestions in the suggestion box about snacks. There will be no change about the snacks. Fred gave an update on the co-chairs for the next 299er tournament. Annette Wille and Karen Lay will co-chair the next 299er tournament. Sherrie will pick up surgical masks for players who come to the club sick. The 299er tournament beginning on March 31, 2017 was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

Vicki Willis  
Recording Secretary