

Minutes Louisiana Bridge Association/ Board of Directors Meeting-June 9, 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Keenan Romig at 2:30 P.M. In attendance were Jim Thornton, Wayne Weisler, Fred Lay, Mike Lappa, Pat Burke, Sherrie Goodman, Keenan Romig, Ben McKown, Jackie Madden, and Vicki Willis. Absent: Sid LeBlanc.

The minutes were approved and the financial report was given. The Derby Day tournament net over \$3,000. The surcharge collection for the 2015 Nationals is on target and will be discontinued as of August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Sherrie reported that over \$10,000 has been raised so far for the Alzheimer's Association as a result of the raffle for one year of free bridge; the club will be reimbursed. There are a number of sponsorships for The Longest Day event and all food is being donated. Sherrie explained the schedule of games and plans for the day.

Mike reported that a Wednesday 499er game will be initiated on a trial basis based on feedback received. Discussion about a possible 11:00 starting time instead of 10:30 was considered to allow some of the private students to participate. Ben and Wayne will discuss and confirm with Mike. There are some issues with a director on Sunday as both the Swiss and Open are small games and could probably be handled by a single director. Mike Lappa is going to follow up. There was some discussion about moving the Tuesday night game to another night; no changes at present.

Wayne reported on maintenance issues: exterior painting and replacing rotten wood have been done. New gutters, re-striping of the parking lot, replacement of leaky faucets, possible urinal issues, and painting/countertop in the ladies room were also noted as in process or to be addressed. Pat mentioned some possible ideas for other club enhancements but no action will be taken at this time.

Jim was asked to report on the proposed website committee for which volunteers were solicited in the Kibitzer. Nothing to report at this time (and no volunteers have come forward).

Keenan will be in charge of food for the July 4th game. Tournament chairs for the July tournament have not yet been found. There was discussion about possible candidates. It was suggested that we determine who the co-chairs have been over the last several years and solicit additional volunteers for the job.

Jackie reported that the contents for the registration bags for Nationals have been delivered and her daughter's company needs to be paid as quickly as possible. Nationals were discussed briefly, including the possibility of having another auction in December.

There was a written complaint submitted about snacks and eating at the table. Oily chips are also resulting in problems for the duplicator. An announcement to wash hands/use napkins will be made by the directors about this; chips may be discontinued.

Sherrie also asked to revisit the issue of alternate directions for the North/South players. It will remain at the director's discretion if willing to try it.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

Vicki Willis  
Recording Secretary