

**ROCHESTER AREA BRIDGE ASSOCIATION (RABA)  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES  
TEMPLE B'RITH KODESH, ROCHESTER, NY  
MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2012**

Present: Marshall Atwell, Paul Cherin, Mary Lou Lawson, Susan McCartney, Sue Powell, Lois Sanders, Sandy Stockton, Kathy Toole, John Volpel and Unit Rep. Margie Spence. Absent: Charles Adrion, Gail Gucker and Warren Marsland.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by John Volpel, President. The following items were discussed.

John welcomed Susan McCartney to the Board.

Mary Lou moved we accept the minutes from the April meeting. John seconded it. Minutes approved.

**Treasurer's Report:**

John will inquire with unit re: expense for Federal Express (Boards) for the Ithaca Sectional RABA Directory – Sales are continuing – so far \$220.00 has been collected.

Sandy made a motion we accept the Treasurer's Report; Lois seconded it.

**RABA Events:**

Marshall reported that the Pro-Am event will be scheduled in August. Cheryl feels that August 21<sup>st</sup> might be the best date.

Charity Event\_ will be held Sunday, September 23 at the American Legion in Webster. The rental fee is \$100.00. The hall can hold 40 tables. Ricky will prepare the lunch. Suggested we have a two-session team game and a 299 pairs game. Event will benefit Honor Flight. Mary Lou wants to post flyers and suggested we allow all veterans to play for free. Bruce is interested in directing and we would provide lunch for him.

In regards to the Pro-Am game, Mary Lou suggested we have a team game with 2 Pros and 2 Novices. Teams would be chosen randomly. Sue suggested we ask Cheryl about a team game and if she isn't interested, we can ask Bruce since he is comfortable running team games. Marshall will contact Cheryl.

**Spring Sectional:** Reviewed expenses for sectional. Net profit was \$468.79.

**Summer Sectional:**

John volunteered to bring some tables in his car.

Sue wants to go in ahead of time and set-up coffee.

Contact Cindy Reid re: publicity.

Refreshments: Sue will call people re: bringing vegetables.

We will have donuts on Sunday.

Bidding Boxes – Margie said that the unit is responsible for getting them from one point to another.

Bridge Pads – Paul said he was quoted \$10.00 a day. If bridge pads are used there would be no need for caddies for Saturday. Cost of repairs (such as replacing batteries) – the bridge players who invested in them should get a nominal fee to cover their expenses. Lois will put together a report on expenses of bridge pads.

Duplimate operation: There was a discussion regarding fees paid out at sectionals. It was agreed that District 4 guidelines pertain only to regionals and that RABA can establish any fees within their control. The Board agreed, effective with the Summer Sectional, to pay caddies \$30 per session including lunch, if one is provided, and to pay \$4.00 per set of boards for duplimate operation.

Winner's Awards: The winners of the open pairs would get Bill Gray coupons.

Free Plays : The Board will have to decide who (if any) individuals get free plays at the October sectional.

### **Fall Sectional:**

The sectional will be held at the VFW in Perinton. Paul Cherin and Susan McCartney will co-chair the event.

**Directories:** Mary Lou said that we have sold \$220.00 worth of directories so far. Lois has a supply of them if anyone needs one.

### **Regional:**

After much discussion, it was decided that no decisions would be made until after the regional when the district people will be coming to discuss this issue. Mary Lou said we need to see a list of people who would be willing to chair committees.

**Save-the-date flyers:** Need to check with Cindy Reid re: doing advance e-mails.

**Ann Hoylman trophy:** This trophy was given to the winners of the Spring Sectional Open Pairs; however, Ross Caan is no longer interested in providing a trophy. Mary Lou suggested maybe we could have a 299 Trophy named for Ann Hoylman.

### **Nominating Committee:**

Charlie and Mary Lou will be in charge of this committee. They will have Ed put something on the website asking if there is anyone who wants to run. Ballots have to go to each club three times which means they should be ready by the latter part of August. New members will be announced at the October 13 sectional.

**Audit Committee:**

Lois and Sandy volunteered to be responsible for the audit.

**Old Business:**

Discussion was held regarding the expenses of the duplimate machine. Card replacement costs are around \$544.00 a year.

**New Business:** Mark McDermott suggested a site be set up for people looking for rides to bridge games.

Lois raised the question of RABA sponsoring this because of the legal issues that could result. A suggestion was made that facebook might be the proper place to put this and perhaps Mark could be responsible for it.

**Sectionals:** There are 10 sectionals scheduled for next year. Mary Lou made a motion that we suspend the 2013 Summer Sectional; Sue seconded it, and the motion was passed.

Sue moved we adjourn the meeting; Paul seconded it.

The next meeting is scheduled for **August 27 @ 4:00 p.m.**