

**ROCHESTER AREA BRIDGE ASSOCIATION (RABA)  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES  
TEMPLE B'RITH KODESH, ROCHESTER, NY  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2013**

**Present:** Phil Clark, Kathy Landon, Mary Lou Lawson, Warren Marsland, Susan McCartney, Sue Powell, Lois Sanders, Sandy Stockton, Kathy Toole, Coby Valensa, John Volpel.

The meeting was called to order by John at 3:30 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes:** Kathy Landon made a motion to accept the minutes as amended; Kathy Toole seconded it. Minutes Approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer's report was approved; however, a suggestion was made that the next report should have a line for accounts payable. Also, sectional reports should include any advance payments that were made. Lois made a motion we accept the report; Kathy Toole seconded it. Motion approved.

**Summer Sectional:** Mary Lou submitted a report on the sectional. The net proceeds were \$881.97.

**Charity Game:** The net proceeds amounted to \$755.80 plus \$469.20 in donations for a total of \$1,225.00 given to the Wounded Warriors. (Several people made out checks directly to the Wounded Warriors.) Sue Powell said maybe someone would be willing to caddy for free at the next charity tournament. Coby said she has two grandchildren who would caddy. It was suggested that John should announce at the Annual Meeting how generous people were.

**Annual Meeting:** At the Annual Meeting (before the sectional starts) John will announce that we are having a cake for Bernie since he is retiring. There will also be a Treasurer's Report and John will read the names of the new members of the Board who were elected and thank those who are leaving for their service. We need to check into getting a microphone for Saturday.

**Fall Sectional:** Mary Lou and Coby are Co-Chairmen. Mary Lou said on Sunday we are having sandwiches from Hegedorn's plus macaroni and potato salad. We already have chips left from the last tournament. We will need about 8 bottles of soda. Ricky will contact Charlie about doing the tables; Phil and John said they will help too.

**Goodwill Award:** Sandy will check who the previous winners were.

**Audit Committee Report:** Phil indicated the committee has requested additional data before the audit can be completed. We need to put into place guidelines for future treasurer's to follow. Therefore, the audit report is deferred for a while.

**Report of Susan McCartney on the Duplimate Machine:** Kathy Landon summarized one year's cost. Any monies coming in pay for the cost of doing the boards – hand records are extra as are the bar-coded cards. Hand records are cheap – 2 ½ cents each. Another suggestion was for the directors to supply the cards. Question: We charge directors \$4.00 now – how much do we want to charge the directors beyond the \$4.00.

Phil made a motion that we table this for the moment until the next meeting when the new Board is in place so we can come up with an amount we are going to charge directors. Warren seconded it.

Discussion was held on a new duplimate machine. Kathy said if we are making \$3,000 each year and put aside \$1,000 each year we would have enough in three or four years to pay for a new one. Phil made a motion that in 2014 we set aside \$250.00 a sectional (limited by net proceeds) toward the purchase of a new machine. Kathy Landon seconded it. Motion was approved (Mary Lou voted no). Kathy made a motion that we allocate \$1,000 from the 2013 profits toward a new duplimate machine. Coby seconded it. Motion was approved (Mary Lou voted no).

Mary Miller has asked how much RABA would charge her to do boards for her games. The Board agreed we would charge \$6.50 for her tournament boards and \$5.00 to do the boards for the Wednesday games.

**Potential Disciplinary Action:** After discussion, Phil said that RABA doesn't have any jurisdiction in this matter (except at sectionals) and that RABA should officially send this to the Unit.

**Communication of Board with Directors:** It was agreed that there needs to be better communication between the Board and Directors as well as club members.

**Defacing Cards Problem:** John will mention this problem at the Annual Meeting and inform the group that individuals should not be defacing the cards.

**Pro-Am Game:** Will be held on Tuesday, October 8. RABA will get \$1.00 per person.

**Online Directory of Members:** Presently there is no process in place for updating the directory. Warren said any on-line address changes would still have to be done by Ed Reppert. It was suggested we have a committee appointed to address this problem.

**Progress on Regional:** Phil said there are no negative problems at this point – still organizing. Cindy Reid has been great in coming up with helpful ideas.

**New Business:** Directors can request that players sort their hand before returning it to the board, but Directors cannot penalize you for not doing it.

John thanked everyone for their support this year.

**The next Board meeting is Monday, November 11 at 3:30 p.m.**

Coby made a motion we adjourn the meeting; Phil seconded it.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Stockton, Secretary RABA