

**Attendance:** Orr, Campbell, Mess, Temples, Moese, Barker, Luken, Williams

**Guests:** Altman, Lail

**Absent:** Mehalko

Meeting called to order at 8:00 PM

Welcome Bert Luken to the Board of Directors and John Altman and Robert Lail Board Members elect.

Minutes from November 16, 2021 were approved without objection.

**Agenda**

**Treasurer's Report** – Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Statement shared. The CBA lost \$32K in 2020 and has lost \$32K through November 2021. 2020 Support your club income mitigated some loss. End November financials to be posted to website.

Discussed problem with the heating at the Cincinnati Bridge Center. Howard Adams company consulted. Furnace needs an igniter. Spent about \$1,000 on heat related costs.

Donations to the CBC: as of Nov 30 \$500, Dec 1-15 \$5210, totaling \$5710.

**CBC Membership Proposal & 2022 Sublease**

AJ Stephani proposal to ask people who play to pay a \$30 membership fee, and whether we should increase rent for 2022.

The Board discussed membership fees, rent increase, continued donations. Concern that all games will be valuable enough for people to continue running them.

How can we get more people playing face to face instead of online bridge. Calling everyone at the non-sanctioned games helped tremendously.

**Motion (Steve Moese):** Move to offer a \$30 Membership fee for one year to defray operating expenses of the Cincinnati Bridge Center. Seconded by John Williams. Passed Unanimously.

**Motion (Steve Moese):** Move to raise the rent \$4/table for 2022 – failed for lack of a second.

Tom Mess advocated a messaging campaign to the stakeholders to inform them of the financial situation and the solutions that the Board of Directors is considering to mitigate or eliminate the losses. Tom Mess and Steve Moese will work on the appeal to membership.

0-1250 Games seem very popular – perhaps we should encourage sanction holders to hold more.

**2022 Monthly STaC** – monthly STaC offered to all D11 clubs. Pam Campbell is the organizer for the STaC. Dayton organizes the April STaC, and Indianapolis organizes the Winter/December StaC. No STaC is planned for October since that month is full of tournaments.

There being no further business for the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:18 PM

**First Meeting of the 2022 Unit 124 Board of Directors**

**Attendance:** Campbell, Mess, Temples, Moese, Barker, Luken. Williams, Altman, Lail

**Guests:** Orr

**Absent:** Mehalko

Called to Order by Michelle Barker at 9:19 PM. The following officers were elected for 2022.

**President:** Steve Moese

**Vice President:** Michelle Barker

**Treasurer:** Pam Campbell

**Secretary:** Tom Mess

What will we do about free plays for 2022? The board agreed to suspend free plays until the Bridge Center is running closer to breakeven.

We agreed to renew our Zoom account. We will keep only one Zoom account for the Unit. The second will be cancelled.

A member of our organization gave a sizable contribution to our Unit. Can we become a 501(c)(3)? The CBA cannot be a 501(c)(3) under IRS law. 501(c)(3) status might apply to a bridge education organization. We will discuss this on the 4<sup>th</sup> of January.

There being no further business for the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:38 PM.

**Next MEETING WEDNESDAY January 4, 2022 6 PM - by Zoom Video Conference.**

Submitted Respectfully,  
Steve Moese, Secretary  
Unit 124