2018 CBA Board Meeting Minutes – March 15, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 P.M. In attendance were Barry Wauligman, Tom Mess, Elaine Jarchow, Steve Messinger, and John Meinking. Also in attendance were Mike Lipp, Larry Newman, and Kay Mulford

Minutes Approval

The minutes for the February 15th meeting, as amended, were approved unanimously.

CBC Update

Mike Lipp provided a brief update on the CBC. He requested that the club managers, if they lower or raise the temperature at the CBC beyond the standard 71°, then they should return the thermostat to the 71°. Mike also reported that a new door stop for the main entrance from the parking lot has been ordered and should be installed soon. He mentioned that the rechargeable vacuum appears to be working fine.

Education Committee

Larry Newman reported on the Education Committee activities. OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute) has three quarters each year, providing a stream of new bridge players (120-180+). The OLLI 1 (Bridge 101) and OLLI 2 (Bridge 102) classes are going well with good continuing attendance. The ACBL provides \$350 to the CBA for sponsoring these classes and provides the ACBL Series Books (Bidding – Volume One & Play of the Hand – Volume Two) for free.

Larry also reported that classes will commence shortly at the Jewish Community Center (JCC). The fee will be \$125/student. It will be a 10-week course commencing June 12. The JCC is sending out information on this class, which is the same as the OLLI Bridge 101, to over 50,000 homes in the greater Cincinnati area. At the end of the course, the students will be advised that for further instruction they can take the OLLI 2 (Bridge 102) course at the CBC.

There was discussion on how the OLLI courses are going. The Education Committee is meeting on March 16th and will update the CBA Board later.

All the Trustees at the meeting thanked the Education Committee for the impressive work and energy shown. The interest in bridge by new students is encouraging.

The Trustees also unanimously authorized the Education Committee to distribute 50 free plays to those CBA members helping with the OLLI programs. This is essentially how the \$350 from the ACBL is being used.

Robert Todd Seminar

An update was provided. More information is being distributed to CBA members about the Annual Flying Pig Seminar. The Seminar will be on Sunday, June 10th and continued on Monday morning, June 11th.

CBC Renovations

Barry reported that new carpeting is scheduled to be installed at the CBC during the Flying Pig Regional. The Board unanimously approved for the installation and carpet to be provided by JP Flooring. Barry reported that the cost, while not final, should be around \$14,000.

Barry also mentioned that the Renovation Committee is looking at redesigning the Directors' desk area. He has not received estimates or a design yet.

Rubber Bridge at the CBC

The Board discussed the possibility of holding rubber bridge games at the CBC. John Meinking decided to form a Committee to investigate how to have rubber games. He will ask Steve Moese to chair this Committee.

Awards Party

The Awards Party is scheduled for May 1 (Tuesday) this year. Reeta Brendamour is the Chair for the Party. The Board unanimously adopted a motion to allocate up to \$400 for Reeta to use for the Party.

There will be 19 new Life Masters honored. The new Life Masters will be able to play at the Tuesday Evening game on May 1 for free.

Next Board Meeting – April 26, 2018 at 5:00 P.M. – Tom Mess noted that he will be unable to attend and requested that someone else draft the minutes for this upcoming meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 P.M.

Tom Mess, Secretary Unit 124