South Orange County Bridge Center Unit 538 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes June 18, 2018

President Richard Picheny called the meeting to order at 4:10 PM. Board members present were Susan Kissinger, Bob Levine, Dianna Hoffman, Bonnie Myers and Maggie Briskie. Donna Abersman was also present.

Bob Levine made a motion to approve the May 14, 2018 minutes. Bonnie Myers seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Reports

Treasurer: Dianna Hoffman reported on the financial condition of SOCBC.

Bonnie Myers made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Bob Levine seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Facilities:

Richard Picheny led a discussion on replacing the current partition. Bonnie Myers had done an extensive research on options to replace the current partition and presented a spreadsheet listing different options for installing a new partition which included the dimensions, acoustics, appearance, and ease of set-up, but did not include estimated installation cost.

A decision was made to appoint a sub committee to review the options presented and solicit bids for installation and make a recommendation to the Board. Bonnie Myers and Richard Picheny will serve on the sub committee and recruit others from our general membership.

Richard Picheny led a discussion on replacing the kitchen floor. Al Silverberg would donate much of the cost of the floor. It was decided to replace the floor in the kitchen and area surrounding the kitchen to include the area by the small refrigerator and soda machine.

Richard Picheny made the motion to allocate \$1000 for a new floor in the kitchen and area surrounding the kitchen. Bob Levine approved. The motion was unanimously approved.

Richard Picheny reported that Marshall Pearlman had installed a projection screen above the white board to the right of the director's desk. The screen will be used with power point to project on the wall. A suggestion was made that the education committee encourage teachers to use power point for their classes.

Membership

Bob Levine reported that we have 580 members.

Health:

Odile Gendreau was unable to attend the meeting but she presented the Board with her report.

Jim Senter Sportsmanship Award - The Jim Senter Sportsmanship Award was presented to Janie Matlaf on Thursday, May 24, 2018.

Alzheimer's Association Longest Week. SOCBC will be holding charity games on Friday, June 22 to benefit the Alzheimer's Association. Liam Barnes, the Development Coordinator for the Alzheimer's Association of Orange County will give a short presentation before the games on Tuesday and Friday. Players may make additional contributions to the Alzheimer's Association on those dates if they wish.

CPR/AED Training - This item was tabled until next month.

Old Business:

Social Bridge:

Richard Picheny reported that currently SOCBC is holding social bridge two Thursday mornings a month with Jane Dober giving a mini lesson and using prepared boards. Frances Kraus would like to continue with the program and hold social bridge on the other two Thursdays a month, She would be joined by Marti Moss. This would become a regular event if successful. There will be a mini lesson given from 9:00 - 9:30 and prepared boards for the players. Games will begin in August.

Richard Picheny made the motion to hold a social game on the 2nd and 4th Thursday mornings of the month beginning in August. Bob Levine seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Richard Picheny would like to further discuss social bridge on Saturday mornings and this item was tabled until next month.

New Business:

Nomination for National District Goodwill Candidate - Richard Picheny led a discussion on the selection of a goodwill candidate. District 22 is requesting that each unit board nominate one person who exhibits kindly demeanor and meritorious service.

Susan Kissinger made the motion to nominate Sunny Foster for SOCBC's Goodwill Candidate. Bonnie Myers seconded. The motion was unanimously approved. Richard Picheny will contact John Kissinger, SOCBC's unit representative to ACBL District 22, to inform John as to our suggested candidate.

Playing Board Errors - Richard Picheny reported that during the last several months the club has experienced several problems with the board set-ups. It was decided to ask Trudi Hanscom to have the directors document when experiencing a problem so that a solution can be found.

Charity Games

Donna Abersman requested that our club hold a special charity game to benefit the local chapter of ARK. ARK is a volunteer organization based in San Juan Capistrano that rescues needy animals. ARK finds foster homes for abandoned animals, pays for medical care and searches for permanent homes for the cats and dogs.

Richard Picheny made the motion that SOCBC hold a charity game and give the proceeds to ARK. Players may also make additional donations to ARK that day. Maggie Briskie seconded. The motion was unanimously approved. It was decided that on the day we hold the charity game Donna Abersman will give a short presentation so that our members understand why the work that ARK does is important for our community.

Richard Picheny requested that SOCBC hold a charity game to benefit the Gayle Andrews Bridge Scholarship Fund. Gayle was a player in the Orange County area. When Ms. Andrews passed away a fund was set up for scholarships for college students who are interested in the game of bridge.

Richard Picheny made the motion that we have a charity game to benefit the Gayle Andrews Scholarship fund. The motion did not pass for lack of a second.

Birthday Celebrations - Bob Levine discussed the possibility of having a Birthday Celebration with a list of names each month for our members. It was decided to ask Bob and Marilyn Cavanaugh to purchase a cake for the last Friday of each month in order to celebrate the month's birthdays.

Next Board Meeting: July 16, 2018

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 PM.