

**South Orange County Bridge Center
Unit 538 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
October 15, 2018**

President Richard Picheny called the meeting to order at 4:10 PM. Board members present were Susan Kissinger, Dianna Hoffman, Maggie Briskie, Odile Gendreau, Bonnie Myers and Bob Levine. Club Manager Gail Schneider and Frances Krause were also present..

Dianna Hoffman made the motion to approve the September 17, 2018 minutes. Bonnie Myers seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Reports:

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

Maggie Briskie made the motion to approve the Treasure's Report. Bob Levine seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Facilities:

Bonnie Myers reported that the committee is working on updating the room partition and will be making a presentation to the Board soon. This item was tabled until next month.

Membership:

Bob Levine reported that membership has remained stable this month.

Education:

Maggie Briskie reported that the calendar for Educational Classes and Social Bridge is full through December. Members who are teaching include Marti Moss, Jane Dober, Sharon Rippy, Hal Binder, Gary Waldron, Robert Irani and Jacob Weisberg. Mentoring has returned for October and November with Richard Picheny and Bob Levine volunteering to lead those classes.

Health:

Odile Gendreau reminded us that various options are available for CPR/AED training for our Directors and members. The board discussed its efforts to ensure that directors are knowledgeable on procedures to be followed in the event of a medical emergency. Odile Gendreau will check with our members who were doctors and nurses and ask if they are willing to assist in an emergency.

Old Business:

NLM Sectional: Frances Krause reported on the SOCBC NLM Sectional, which was held during the weekend of October 6 and 7, 2018. Our net income and table count were slightly down from past years. The Board wanted to commend Frances Krause and all her volunteers for a successful tournament. A suggestion was made to offer the 0 - 20 players a free play for the tournament next year in order to get our newest members involved.

Additional Time Clock Purchase: Gail Schneider reported that she had looked into purchasing additional time clocks. The clocks would cost approximately \$500 each plus installation and electrical wiring costs. It was decided that instead of purchasing new time clocks the director will post the ACBL time clock on the large computer monitor by the front desk.

Computer for the Treasurer: Richard Picheny lead a discussion on purchasing a computer for the Treasurer. This item was tabled.

Charity Games: Maggie Briskie reported that when SOCBC holds charity games, players would like to know which charities they are playing for. Currently the three charities we donate to equally are Ronald McDonald, 2nd Harvest Food Pantry and Laguna Beach Community Clinic. Richard Picheny thought that our club might wish to support charities that are closer to our community or charities that our members are involved in. Richard Picheny will ask our members for their suggestions in the newsletter. This item was tabled until next month.

New Business:

Upcoming Election: Richard Picheny led a discussion on the upcoming election for the SOCBC Board. Currently there are three Board positions open. Dianna Hoffman was appointed to the Nominating Committee and will get two or three other members to serve on the committee. Candidates will be asked to submit a picture along with their resumes to Susan Kissinger by November 2. Members may vote by email or at the club the week of November 12 - 16. The new Board members will be announced December 8 at the Holiday party.

Strong Fragrances at the Bridge Club: Richard Picheny reported that a SOCBC member approached him about playing against members who wear strong perfume or aftershave.

Richard Picheny made the motion that players may request a sit out with a no play if they find the opposing player has too strong of a fragrance which makes the player physically ill. Bonnie Myers seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Guidelines for Teachers and Directors Concerning Ill Players: A discussion was held on different health concerns and guidelines for Teachers and Directors to follow. The decision was made that if an accident, including a fall or shortness of breath would happen at the Club, the Directors and Teachers are requested to call 911. If a player comes to a class or to play bridge with an illness the Teacher or Director may ask them to leave.

Directors Handling Zero Tolerance Situations: Gail Schneider reported that our club should have a policy that defines handling players who are disruptive and who are asked to leave. The decision was made to require our Directors to document each incident as it happens.

Purchase of Additional Boards and Cards: Gail Schneider reported that the club needs more sets of Boards in order to run the games more smoothly.

The motion was made by Richard Picheny to order 5 more sets of Boards from Baron Barclay and additional playing cards as needed. Bob Levine seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the board was set for Monday, November 19, 2018.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 PM.