

## Unit 194 Executive Meeting April 27, 2013

Present: Kerry Hicks, John Tolson, Lydia Prange, Denis Murphy, Bill Halliday, Boyd Wells, Karl Hicks

Call to Order: 1:30, Saturday, April 27, 2013

Regrets: Martin Pink, Doug Hamilton

Minutes of the Unit 194 November 2012 Executive meeting in Halifax were circulated and approved as read.

### **Business Arising from the Minutes:**

Survey: Bill read the results of the survey on start times for the sectional tournament - in particular Saturday's new start times. The results showed the majority of those responding were in favour of the new 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. times as well as the two single sessions for Saturday pairs events.

A Swiss team event at 8p.m. Saturday night will be added for the Valley Sectional.

As the survey was held in Halifax in November, it was decided to conduct an additional survey at the Valley Sectional where a different cross section of players may be playing.

Teleconference: To accommodate the Newfoundland representatives, Dan and Jo Ann will continue to investigate ways to have them "attend" our meetings through telephone or Skype.

Computer purchase: This activity needs to be handled. Doug and Karl will also investigate the purchase of a printer.

New Glasgow Rep: Bill Knoll has resigned as area representative from New Glasgow and will be contacted regarding recruitment of a replacement.

Future Tournaments: Dan will contact Bill Knoll Jr. To see if there is any interest in holding another tournament in New Glasgow.

### **New Business & Committee Reports:**

Treasurer's Report: Bill reported that Bridgemates and a server had been purchased for the Yarmouth Duplicate Bridge Club and they have agreed to repay the \$1,908 on a schedule in installments. Bill circulated the financial report.

It was moved by John Tolson and seconded by Boyd Wells that the Treasurer's report be accepted presented. **Motion Carried.**

Supplies: Bill also reported that the cards had been replaced in all the unit boards.

CBF Championships: The Unit has been approached by the CBF to look into holding the Canadian Bridge Championships possibly in 2016 or later. The general consensus was to follow up at the Valley tournament.

STAC entry fees: The January 2013 StaC entry fees were discussed. There was confusion over the 2013 fees being \$6 or \$8 per table in January resulting in some clubs paying more than others. A discussion ensued regarding the profits of the StaC.

Bill moved and Bilgin seconded that Unit 194 reduce the table fees for the STaC from \$8 to \$5. **Motion carried.**

Dealing Machine: Dan has been investigating the possibility of purchasing a dealing machine for Unit 194 tournaments. Denis indicated that Unit 361 in Colorado hires a contractor to duplicate the boards for \$10-15 per set. A discussion on the security of the pre-dealt boards and hand records ensued with a consensus that more investigation was needed and the topic was tabled until the next meeting.

Tournament prizes: Bill suggested that prizes for tournament winners be left up to the chair person of each individual tournament with guidance given to the chairperson on amount spent.

Longest Day of Bridge: Dan provided information regarding the Alzheimer's Longest Day of Bridge event with the funds going directly to the charity and those wishing to take part could contact him for additional information.

Bridgeline: Karl stated that Unit 230 were putting the Bridgeline online for their members. We will add it to our agenda for discussion in September.

Next meeting - Valley Sectional - 1:30 Saturday (immediately following the first session.)

Motion for adjournment by Bill and seconded by Bilgin.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann Lynds  
Unit 194 Secretary