

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
WAVERLEY BRIDGE CLUB INC.
HELD AT ALVIE HALL, CNR ALVIE ST AND HIGH STREET RD, MOUNT WAVERLEY**

Wednesday July 1, 2009 at 5.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Iris Carling, Doug Lavers, Mary Elson, Nick Beaumont, Diana Jacobs
Martin Willcox, Peter Buchanan, Joan Quirk, Trish Kersey, Sue Battley
Also present: Trish Henderson and Barry Moylan

APOLOGIES:

Samples of chairs were brought in by Barry Moylan from The Office Seating Company and shown to the Committee. Discussion was held about the chairs and it was decided to continue looking. Emphasis was placed on the fact that the very highest quality fabric and foam would have to be used. Trish Henderson and Barry Moylan then left the meeting.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the meetings held on June 16, 2009 were agreed by the Committee and signed by the President.

1. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- 1.1 An audit trail has been set up for returned vouchers and the auditor has checked numbers of vouchers sold and monies received in May.
- 1.2 The mid-winter party was a great success and there has been positive feedback from members.
- 1.3 It was decided to carry discussion of proposed changes to the Constitution over to a later date.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

Inwards: VBA regarding governance of Bridge in Victoria
Liquor Licencing regarding objection to application
June Mainland appreciation of mid-winter party

Outwards: Peter Buchanan, Martin Willcox, Ray Anderson, Trish Henderson, Doug Lavers, Nick Beaumont regarding winding up of sub-committees
15 letters welcoming new members
Peg Jackson thanks for donation

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

Martin reported that meetings will be held during the ANC to further discussions about governance of Bridge in Victoria
The objection lodged with the Liquor Licencing Office will be heard on July 20, 2009 at 10.00 a.m. Doug Lavers and Nick Beaumont will attend and Mary will inform the Office of this. Mary

4. REPORTS

Attendance May 2009

Accounts May 2009

Treasurers Report, June 2009

At the risk of repeating my statements at the last committee meeting, I should provide a written statement as to why we are changing our accounting policy this year.

The subscription money we are now collecting in fact "belongs" to next year's accounts. In the past, we have always followed a cash accounting policy -- i.e. we have simply recorded the receipts in the financial year they were taken. This is incorrect technically, and hence we are effectively moving this cash item into next year's figures.

In a similar manner, the outstanding unused seven dollar vouchers as at 30 June represent a liability to the club against next year's receipts. Since we have already received the cash for these, the profit effect needs to be moved into next year's accounts.

The total diminution effect on this year's profit will be around \$20,000.

The Committee should appreciate that these are book entries, and have no affect on our actual bank balance as we will reverse the entries in July. Effectively, profit is being moved from this year to next year.

With the agreement of the auditor, we will be making a careful note in the accounts explaining this change to members, as they may be surprised at the diminution of profit as a result of this change.

I will be aiming to have some preliminary unaudited accounts for the year to 30th of June available before the end of July.

Doug Lavers

MANAGER'S REPORT MAY/JUNE 2009

Collection of annual subscriptions has been going on since mid-May and upwards of \$12,000 has been collected so far. I am planning to send out the first round of reminder letters on July 13.

After much planning and with the great help of Iris Carling, Sue Battley, Diana Jacobs, Joan Quirk and Marnie Myall, the Club ran a most successful Mid-Winter party on June 23. We had 96 players (any time we run an event in mid-winter, there will be cancellations due to illness), and, after the dust settled found that we had a profit of \$1390 which will be put towards fundraising. My thanks go also to members Paula Schroor, Leona Thomson, Beryl Campbell, Jenny Gray, and Beryl Coling who kindly helped with provision of food. Once again members seemed to have a great day and the running of the event was made much smoother by not having a duplicate session in the morning, which allowed food service to take place in Hall 2. We eliminated the queues and players had space to relax and enjoy themselves. Of course planning and running of these events will change next year, but I am very pleased to say that the efficiency and effectiveness of the work crew will serve to make all future events much easier to make successful.

Promotion of the next beginners' course has begun with information sent to local papers and the Riversdale Golf Club. Flyers in the clubrooms are disappearing fast, and I hope that the next course will be well attended.

Promotion for the GNOT heat to be held in August has begun and flyers have been sent to 19 Clubs. The Australian Bridge Novice Pairs is coming up and I hope we will even better the most successful session that we ran last year.

The book sale which ended at the end of June produced a profit of \$1612. My congratulations go to Iris for this great result.

Mary Elson

5. NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

Membership applications have been received and approved for :
Kaye Jukes, Melva Gale, David Hollands, Elizabeth Byrnes, Peter Wilson and Frances Forgan

6. GENERAL

1. Iris asked that Martin and Trish begin to plan a program for next year. Discussion was held about the timing of the Congress, whether to hold it in March as before, or possibly, as suggested by Martin, to move it to November. A problem with the March date is that it might clash with the Gold Coast Congress. Martin will get more information. Martin/Trish
- Discussion was also held about planning of a celebration to mark moving into the new premises and the December 13/14 date was mentioned.
- Nick asked whether a Super Congress could be held. Martin said that the main effect of this was to raise the prices.

The new program will need to be heavily promoted

- 2 Iris raised the question about acknowledgement of donations. Several members have already donated to the club or plan to do so in the future, and discussion was held about possibly named donors on an honour board and the level of donation that would require. It was decided that it would not be appropriate to have plaques on chairs or tables. Possible purchases by donation could be electronic scorers, honour boards, bidding boxes.

The meeting closed at 7.05 p.m.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday August 4 at 6.00 p.m.