

ARLINGTON DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

Annual Membership Meeting Minutes

March 26, 2016

[To Be Approved At Next Membership Meeting]

The annual membership meeting was called to order by President George Morey at 10:00 a.m.

MINUTES: The minutes of the January 23, 2016 Special Meeting were approved by the membership

CHARITY - 2016 SELECTIONS: Sue Kay Reeder presented the list of Charities for the members to select up to four (4) organizations to receive the club's charitable donations for the 12 months ended March 31, 2017. The final date to vote will be April 5, 2016..

[Results of vote: Arlington Life Shelter, Meals on Wheels, Safe Haven (The Women's Shelter), and New Day].

DIRECTOR DISCIPLINE & TERMINATION POLICY: The police related to Director Discipline & Termination was approved by the membership.

ELECTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS: George Morey called upon Vice President Melody Gann to officiate the election of new board members. Eight candidates were put forth by the Nominating Committee: Doug Berke, Ginger Kennedy, Dorothy Moore, George Morey, Jeff Newman, Tom Orndorff, Sue Kay Reeder, and Anne Ward Williams.

Each nominee spoke a few minutes. Ballots were collected and counted with the following results: Dorothy Moore, George Morey, Sue Kay Reeder and Anne Ward Williams were re-elected to the board..

TREASURER'S REPORT: Sue Kay Reeder, the ADBC Treasurer reported on the club's 2015 finances.

Statement of Income & Expense

- 2015 Revenues increased 1% over the prior year. Increases in table revenues (net of free plays) and compensation from the unit for club closures for unit sectionals/regional were partially offset by a decrease in Intermediate & Continuing Education programs AND Member Dues. Membership dropped by 11 to 221
- Total 2015 Expenses decreased by 1% from the prior year. Rent decreased by 3% due to a favorable property tax adjustment and a reduction in shared expenses. Club

Statement of Income & Expense (cont.)

Supplies, TGIF, Director Fees, Office Expenses, and Cleaning/Manager Expenses were also lower.

- Expenses which increased over prior year were Charitable Gifts to ACBL and four local charities, Bridge Supplies and Repairs & Improvements.

Balance Sheet

- The club is strong financially with \$79,000 in cash in the bank and investments.
- The Prepaid Grapevine Tournament Expenses are for deposits relating to the 2015 and 2016 sectionals.

Table Count

- 2015 table count is up by 38 games vs. 2014 – a 1% increase. Weekly games were down 46 tables and Special Games increased by 84 tables.

Sectional

- With the Sectional moving to July from February, the table count rose to 342 vs. 311 in 2014. Revenues were up by \$2,000 with expenses roughly the same as prior year. Net Income for the Tournament was \$4,047 – a \$1,821 increase over 2014 of \$2,226.

Sue Kay also thanked the Audit Committee, Rosalee Hacker and Nancy Peterson, and the three Club Managers, Bill White, George Morey, & Mary Ellen Stanton for their help during the year.

AUDIT COMMITTEE: Rosalee Hacker, Chair of the Audit Committee reported that the audit of the club's financial records found no major deficiencies.

ARLINGTON SECTIONAL: Mary Ellen Stanton reported that the 2015 Sectional attendance improved over 2014, in part to the change from February to July. The 2016 Sectional in June will be Mary Ellen's last to chair. Sue Gilbreath will be the chair for the 2017 Sectional.

UNIT 183 TEXAS STAR AWARD: The club recognized Mary Ellen Stanton as the recipient of Unit 183's Texas Star Award. On behalf of the club, George expressed appreciation for Mary Ellen's outstanding contributions to the ADBC as a director, club manager, sectional chair and bridge teacher.

APPRECIATION

George thanked the many members who do the “small things” to keep the club running including Saturday clean-up effort (several people), Tom Moore (website), Ben Benjamin (cold drink machine), Sandy Beyer & Charlene Gallaty (decorations) and Mary Ellen Stanton (Club Manager). George also expressed a belated thanks to Buck Buchanan (Board President), Becky Koenigseder (Board VP), Bill White (long time Club & Website Manager), Gary Neisler (Facilities) for their many contributions to the club’s success.

OPEN FORUM:

The balance of the meeting was an open forum in which members shared their suggestions and thoughts re improvements for the club as follows...

- The club voted to hold a forum with the Facilities Committee in which members would suggest renovation ideas for the club. Sue Gilbreath, Chair of the Facilities Committee, will call the meeting.
- Continued discussion re the cleanliness of the club and the need for all members to help pick up trash after games.

The meeting was adjourned.

