

(Draft of Minutes, subject to approval at next membership meeting)

## ADBC Annual Membership Meeting, Saturday, April 1, 2023

President Melody Gann called the Meeting to order at 11:05 am and declared we had a Quorum based on our 81 total members (including those who joined at meeting). Minutes from the Annual Membership meeting held on March 26, 2022, were distributed, reviewed and approved.

Melody thanked the Nominating Committee (Larz Smith, Cathy Tolliver and Wilma Hill) for nominating six candidates for the Club's Board of Directors to serve a two-year term and asked for additional nominations from the floor. There being none, Melody closed the nominations and then asked each of the six candidates to introduce themselves. Julie Dahlquist, Bob Dixon, Judy Floyd, Dorothy Moore, George Morey and Nancy Peterson each gave a brief talk. Ballots were distributed with instructions to vote for no more than four people. Mary Ellen Stanton, Kim Newman and Wilma Hill collected the ballots and tallied the votes. At the conclusion of the meeting, it was announced that Dorothy Moore, George Morey, Judy Floyd, and Julie Dahlquist were elected.

Treasurer George Morey distributed the Club's 2022 Financial Reports and reviewed with the membership as listed below:

1. The Club is in a good financial position with \$ 49,381 in the bank and only \$4,762 in Liabilities.
2. The Club lost \$9,607 in 2022 versus a loss of \$5,550 in 2021. Key components of the 2022 loss were highlighted: Low table count, one time relocation expenses of \$ 6,181 and a \$ 4,100 loss on the Arlington Sectional were partially offset by Donations of \$16,762, some of which helped fund our relocation to a new Studio.
3. The Board made the decision to hold the 2022 Sectional after it learned that most of the \$3,900 deposit would not be returned. The event drew only 70 tables, a third of the pre-pandemic table count. Excluding the deposit, the Sectional lost \$200.
4. The club incurred a \$1,300 scam-fraud in February 2022, which was fully recovered by a donation.
5. Online bridge revenue continues to decline due to the resumption of F2F bridge at our Club and other clubs in our area. Our online Bridge revenues fell over 50% in 2022 versus 2021 and the last six months in 2022 were lower than the first half of the year.
6. Excluding donations and relocation expenses, the club lost \$1,700 per month in the last six months of 2022 and would have lost \$2,400 a month if we had no online income.

Summary: Based on current projections and thanks to donations from members, the Club has sufficient cash to continue to operate until its lease expires in October 2024.

On behalf of the Club, George thanked Rosalee Hacker for taking the time out of a busy schedule to review the Club's financial records and read her opinion following her review of the Club's books

and records for 2022 “In my opinion, with the exception that some receipts/invoices were not available for my review, the financial records for the Club reflect the results of operations for the year ending December 31, 2022” (Rosalee’s Audit report is attached to these minutes)

Ballots to select our 2023 Charities were distributed and additional organizations were added from the floor. Members were instructed to vote for only two charities and place their ballot in the Suggestion Box at the conclusion of the meeting or within the next two weeks for counting at the next Directors meeting.

President Melody Gann then opened the floor to an Open Forum discussion:

Rosalee Hacker suggested the Board investigate using Robots in F2F games if possible.

Paula Justice suggested using emails to Melody to establish the number planning to play in the Friday night game to determine if the game will make.

Chuck Burke suggested additional teaching programs like EZ Bridge to attract new players.

There was some discussion of the Club’s Covid vaccination policy. No change was made but a sample polling showed the members are still split 50/50 on requiring proof of vaccination or eliminating the requirement.

Someone suggested adding a “find a partner” feature to the website and also adding a method of providing or finding rides.

Someone suggested contacting inactive players and asking them to come back and play at the Club.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Larz Smith, ADBC Secretary