Dallas Bridge Association Board of Directors
Minutes of Meeting 10/08/26

Attendees: Bob Holliday, Bill Higgins, Judy Wood , Cheryl Brunson, Paul Taylor, Cheryl Rider, Mary Chaffin and Jackie Brown were present. The October meeting was held at the Deciples of Christ Church after the Thursday Friendly game.

The September minutes were approved.

Ed Yetter provided the financial reports, which were approved.
As of September 30, 2026 the unit has total cash assets of $66,197.97 There is $16,381.91 in the checking account and $49,816.06 in the Fidelity investment account. All the activity from the Labor Day Regional is booked.

Because of the budget shortfall of the Labor Day Regional, caused by poor attendance, the unit is under-running the 2026 net income budget by $7,244.85.

Bill Higgins presented the membership report by email after the meeting.
The unit had 2 new members in September, 4 members were reinstated, 1 member transferred into our unit and 33 members became unpaid or inactive. The unit membership is now 1073. The Unpaid/inactive members continue to be the major drain on unit membership.

Bob Holliday provided the member communications report via email.

Date	Reads	Percent Read	Clicks on Links	Unsubs	Spam	Bounces	Topic
09/01/26	591	60.80%	53	0	0	0	September Newsletter
10/01/26	567	58	53	0	0	0	October Newsletter

Jackie Brown presented a nominating committee report.
There are 5 confirmed candidates for the 2027 Unit Board election: Connie Scott, Mary Chaffin, Lara Lang, John Ellis and Farrell Ray. There is a potential 6th candidate. Jackie will find out if she wants to run or not. Ed Yetter will produce the poster for the Fall Sectional and will provide copies to Valley View Bridge Club, Friendly Bridge Club and McKinney Bridge Club.

Cheryl Rider presented an equipment report.
Cheryl raised the issue of the number of damaged tables and bidding boxes we are using. She will coordinate with John Redfern and go through the tables and boxes. Damaged tables will be offered to the clubs/members or discarded. She needs a key card to access the storage. Ed Yetter will obtain a key card for her.

The board discussed the November Sectional.
Everything Is ready to go. Setup will be at 1:30 on Tuesday, November 6. Cheryl is asking for volunteers to bring snacks for the tournament.

Jackie Brown presented a Unit Game report.
The unit games are all scheduled for the rest of the year. The September unit game was held on September 20.. There were 20 tables in the Open section. The 499er section did not make. The October unit game will be held on October 11 and hosted by Valley View Bridge Club.

Jackie is working with Gerrie and Valarie to finalize dates for the 2027 unit games.

Jackie Brown presented a report on the Mentor/Mentee program.
The program continues to be popular. There are 2 new mentee sign-ups. New mentors are needed. Jackie is taking over the day-to-day management of the program from Ruth Nelson. She needs changes to the sign-up lists and will send the information to Ed Yetter to make the changes.

Old Business
5-5-5 Updates – There is no update but Judy Wood is looking into opportunities with the ACBL Sapphire Program.

New Business
To increase awareness of the board business, the unit will post a copy of the meeting minutes to the bulletin board at King of Glory and make copies available to any other clubs.

The November meeting will be Wednesday, November 18 at 11:15 AM before the Valley View Wednesday game.