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MINUTES

Monday 12 September 2011 at 5.30pm

Attendance:

Gordon Henderson (President), Ruth Gallagher (Secretary), Andrew Kettle (Treasurer), David Hoffman (Past President), Peter Giles, Val Brockwell, Sue Welbourn, and Molly O'Donohue (Manager).

Apologies: Val Carmody, Liz Van Der Hor, Niek Van Vucht

1. PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOTION: That the Minutes of 8 August 2011 be accepted as a true record of the meeting. **MOVED** David Hoffman **SECONDED** Sue Welbourn

CARRIED

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 There was discussion about the AGM and general related administrative matters.

3. MANAGERS' REPORT

Molly has continued to obtain quotes for a new printer but the prices seemed to be around a similar level, \$7,000, according to the specified requirements. It was agreed that the purchase of a new printer was something which needed to be considered by the new Committee.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

Andrew provided a draft Financial Statement for the financial year 2010-11 which was currently with the auditors for clearance. A copy would be posted on the noticeboard in accordance with the AGM requirements. Net income was a loss of \$19,775 which was \$13,601 larger than the loss for the previous financial year. This reflected a lower income for the year due to lower table money and money from lessons. Payroll expenses were higher because of increased pay rates and cleaning costs were also higher. Less was spent on repairs and maintenance this financial year as repairs to the carpark were in the previous financial year. The cash flow for the year was break even. While table numbers were down they remained higher than several years ago.

Andrew provided projections for the next four years up to and including 2014-15 which took into account the recent table money increases. This showed that the cash flow would increase in the next financial year but drop off by 2014-15. In the out years the Committee will need to look at some of the larger expenditure items such as resurfacing

of the carpark and renovating the toilets. This will use up much of the expenditure allocation.

5. SUB COMMITTEES

5.1 House

5.11 There was a brief discussion about the purchase of an additional white board and it was agreed that there was not an urgent need for another one as there was nowhere to store a white board in the Barry Turner Room.

5.12 It was agreed to install fans in the kitchen and men's toilet for a total cost of \$650.

5.13 Sue said that the blinds for the kitchen would be arriving this Wednesday. A new screen was in place between the kitchen and the Olive Lott Room and material for the additional table cloths had been purchased.

5.14 A list of activities for the working bee on 29 October had been prepared and with additions from Molly would be placed on the noticeboard where other items might also be raised and added.

5.2 Teaching

5.21 The beginners' classes were starting on Monday 12 September and there were 22 signed up for the Monday evening and another 8 on Wednesday daytime.

5.22 It was noted that U3A had quite a number of people sign up for their bridge lessons and that CBC should try and connect with them to try and draw those people through into supervised play at Deakin. It was agreed to pursue this further.

5.3 Tournament & Calendar

5.31 Niek was working on the Calendar for 2012 and had circulated a draft. Any comments should be forwarded to him for his consideration. It was noted that the Friday afternoon red point event had been very successful and attracted a good field. It was agreed to look at other options for red point events during the day, possibly varying the day from month to month.

5.32 Congresses and advertising with other clubs was discussed. It was pointed out that previously brochures had been prepared and circulated to clubs in the region but with little success. Peter raised the matter of the CBC's two main congresses – the Autumn teams and the Spring Festival and whether these could be structured better to attract participants including more restricted players. The Committee agreed to look at the CBC congresses and whether there were other ways they might be structured.

5.4 Employment & Contracts

5.41 All the contracts have been finalised and signed.

5.5 Congress and Social

5.51 Organisation for the Spring Congress including the catering was under control. Gordon said that there was still a need to consider the amount for the prizes. There was no convener but David said he would provide introductions and be on hand to present prizes as Gordon was away..

5.6 BFACT Representative.

5.61 Gordon said that while he had not attended the BFACT meeting there were several things in their Minutes which CBC needed to be aware.

- The capitation fee was going up to \$7.50
- The BFACT website was up and running
- BFACT wish to use the Alan Woods rating system for events. The CBC have no problem with this but are still having problems connecting to the rating system data base and uploading scores.

Gordon noted that Peter Kahler had advised that BFACT wished to proceed with the purchase and installing of the Honor Boards.

5.7 Finance

5.71 Nothing in addition to the Treasurer's report.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

In: Letter from Stephanie Groves, Neuroscience Research Australia Foundation re date for 2012 Bridge for Brains (1-7 May 2012) and asking Bridge Clubs to include in their 2012 Bridge Calendars.

Out: .

7. OTHER BUSINESS

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8. NEXT MEETING

Monday 10 October, 2011 at 5.30pm in the Clubrooms.

Meeting closed at 6.40pm.

ACTION ITEMS and Members responsible