

[FINAL AS APPROVED]  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
September 8, 2019

ATTENDEES: Marty Bley, President  
Georgette Weiss, Vice President  
Ann Atcheson, Treasurer  
John Wertman, Secretary  
Joe Hertz, Board Member  
David Lindley, Board Member  
Kevin O'Brien, Board Member  
George Parkins, Board Member  
Howard Stevens, Board Member  
Margot Hennings, Sectional Tournament Chair  
Ron Kral, Webmaster  
Lucy McCoy, Newsletter Editor

Unable to attend: All Board Members attended

CALL TO ORDER: The President called the September 2019 meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 9:01 a.m. on September 8, 2019 at the Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge in Fairfax, Virginia.

#### **Secretary's Report**

The minutes from the August meeting were reviewed and approved unanimously with minor corrections.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and unanimously approved. Ann noted that Beth El Congregation sent us a letter of thanks for our contribution to their fundraiser.

#### **Action Items/New Business**

Marty led a discussion of action items and new business:

- The Board approved a motion to move the Holiday Party to the December STAC date of Dec. 19. Jim will update the schedule.
- In April, the Board had approved free plays for the individuals who were auctioned in the Longest Day fundraiser. Ron will send thank you letters and the free plays to those players.
- The October team game will be the 8 is Enough event. We will develop stratifications for 3/2/1 point player ranges. Marty will run point on the event and David will handle publicity, including through the weekly email.
- The Board approved a motion to authorize the expenditure of \$56 for trophies that the St. Elizabeth's bridge program offered to sell us.
- David has completed a draft of the NVBA Welcome Booklet. He has received several suggested revisions and will work on finalizing the document in the

- coming weeks. We will not include information on individual local clubs in the booklet, but there will be an insert included when the booklets are sent out.
- Last month, the Board had given tentative approval for an expenditure to show the Double Dummy bridge movie at the October Sectional. We received several negative reports about the movie, so the Board approved a motion to countermand our previous decision. The movie will not be shown in October.
  - The Secretary noted that the Board will soon not include any NLM players and asked us to consider what we might do to include that perspective in our deliberations. We will discuss this issue in the coming months.
  - We will also consider in the future whether to raise the TA fee of \$100 per session at Sectionals.
  - An idea was raised for consideration about hosting Mentor/Mentee events during the Saturday evening of our 2020 Sectionals. We will discuss at a future meeting.

NEXT MEETINGS AND ADJOURNMENT: The next NVBA Board meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Oct. 6 at the Arlington-Fairfax Elks Lodge. The meeting adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
John Wertman, Secretary