COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF THE INVERCARGILL CONTRACT BRIDGE CLUB

Held in the clubrooms, 50 Elles Rd, Invercargill at 7.00pm on Wednesday 18th March 2020

PRESENT: Sherry Elton, Judith Lawton, Annie Somerville, Lindsay Glover, Marianne Frisby, Bev Flint, Claire Graham

APOLOGIES: Sue Scott, Lee Davies, Barbara Daley, Angus McKay

Moved: That apologies be accepted Lindsay/Lee Carried

Recommendation from the match committee meeting held 18th March 2020 in consideration of Covid-19.

Following the receipt of recommendations received from NZ Bridge and the Otago/Southland Regional committee, the match committee agreed that in the best interests of our members, the Invercargill Bridge Club should suspend all bridge play indefinitely. The committee will monitor the recommendations of the Ministry of Health and New Zealand Bridge and advise members of any plans to reopen.

Moved: that the committee accept the recommendation of the match committee. The bridge club cancels all sessions of play immediately and indefinitely.

Effective from today, Wednesday evening, 18th March 2020

Bev/Claire Carried

Room Hire: In consideration of Covid-19 strategy as discussed above, it was agreed to leave the decision of the groups with room hires booked, up to those individual organisations.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous committee meeting were circulated.

Moved: That minutes of the committee meeting held 19th February 2020 be confirmed as true and correct.

Lindsay/Annie Carried

MATTERS ARISING: none

The minutes of special promotions meeting November 2019 were circulated. The secretary apologised for the delay.

Moved: That minutes of the special meeting held November 2019 be confirmed as true and correct.

Annie/Marianne Carried

CORRESPONDENCE:

Inwards:

- Resignation from committee received from Angus McKay
- NZ Bridge Qualified directors' list
- NZ Bridge Covid 19 discussed at the start of this meeting
- Various club members re hand sanitisers, cleaning of cards, using sterilizer
- Email from Jan Harris— can we remember name badges please. Sherry will help to get silver reserve to wear badges.
- Invercargill Coffee Club regular booking confirmation around long term lease proposal
- Natalie Harper thanks for the card and flowers 90th birthday
- Frontline licencing course
- Powernet change of metre
- Cushla Broughton Windows that don't open
- Marie Chilton re handicaps
- Marianne Frisby re handicaps
- Mike and Lori re Bob Fearn, the compass man match committee recommendation that Geoff Eyles will follow up some means of recompense for his investment in time
- Otago Southland Bridge Bridge improvers class Cromwell 28/29 March cancelled

- Coffee club re ongoing room hire around long term lease proposal
- Entertainment books info on way Annie will deal with these
- Canterbury Mortgage Trust final payment in March of the original investments
- Alarm centre update list Sherry will deal with this
- Resignation Jenny Lodge

Outwards:

- Graham Dingle Foundation Letter and payment of \$697 raised at Charity Tournament
- Jess, Evandale gardens thank you card for plants for tournament
- Ailine Vial get well card
- Coffee club re ongoing hire around long term lease proposal
- 500 club will use committee room with 10 tables while they consider a long term plan
- Daisy Skerrett's family sympathy card
- Peter Anstice get well after op
- Martin & Lobb thank you for sponsorship
- Foveaux Communication thank you for sponsorship
- Jill McMeeking Get well card
- French Burt re lease proposal delay
- Marie Chilton handicaps
- Marianne Frisby handicaps
- Neil Rodger handicaps
- Marianne Frisby and Marie Chilton further, in response to their letters
- Email to Angus in response to his resignation

Moved: Inwards and outwards correspondence be approved.

Sherry/Bev

Carried

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

A financial report for the period ended 29th February 2020 was tabled for the meeting.

Moved: That accounts of \$4596.11 as presented be approved for payment.

Annie/Lindsay

Carried

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Property:

Thanks to Colin Thomas for re-instating towel rail by sink in kitchen

Match: Discussed above

House:

Bev will look into the purchase of a stick vacuum cleaner, and replacement mats for the front entry which have had some flattening and unevenness develop.

Using the steriliser for cups will be discussed prior to the club re-opening for play

It was requested the yellow bowl be used for washing dishes in the sink as this uses less hot water to reach a level where dishes can be washed effectively

Action	Responsible	Update	
Bar opening roster	Sherry	To phone Grant	
Funding to help SI Pairs 2020	SI prs sub-committee	Ongoing	
Carpark lines	Lindsay	All lines to be refreshed	

GENERAL BUSINESS:

The budget for SI pairs has been completed and accepted.

Pre-paid vouchers - Annie has improved this system.

Poor behavior: There was discussion around the behavior of some senior members towards other players at the card table, including intimidation of some novice players.

A Code of Conduct reminder has been sent out in a newsletter and the matter has been discussed with the individuals concerned

Fire Safety: Responsibility for checking the fire safety records.

Monday nights: Lindsay Tuesday nights: Claire Wednesday: Sherry Thursday nights: Judith

Friday: Lee

Water Cooler: There had been a comment about the water tasting 'moldy. Several committee members agreed that it seemed fresh to them, but it will be checked, and the filter changed.

Sub-committee reports: There was a criticism from Marianne that in the past match committee reports were not always done, there was no record, or at least these were not made available. Some of the committee were aware that this had been the case in the past. The secretary has been working to make changes, and since the beginning of 2018 a written report has been received for most meetings, and when made available, this has been attached to the committee meeting minutes as an appendix. They were now up to date for 2018 and 2019. This will continue, and further improvements will continue to be made where possible.

Promotions were also discussed by Marianne, outlining mistakes that had been made by the committee in the past. This is deeply regretted, and the president has apologised for this several times. Some errors have already been identified, and fixed. The committee is committed to continuing to improve transparency, consistency and fairness.

It was also stated that it was very difficult for a player to accept promotion if expected to do so without a pair's partner they are familiar with. The question of members being able to refuse to go to silver division was also raised. The protocol around these two items will continue to be addressed.

Building WOF: Lindsay will follow this up

Ongoing support/coaching for those promoted to silver division:

Bev Flint said she felt that many players appear to struggle to find their feet once they are promoted to the silver division and is concerned that some may become lost to the club. Further discussion will be undertaken.

Meeting closed at: 9.00pm Nex lock-down strategy with Covid-19 page 1.00pm	•	To be advised.	Dependent on changes to
SIGNED AS A TRUE AND CORRE	ECT RECORD		
Signature:		DATE:	