

**American Contract Bridge League**  
**Minnesota Gopher Unit 103**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Friday, November 2, 2018**  
**Oak Marsh Golf Club**

Present were: Warren Nelson, Larry Huiras, Sue Greenberg, Keith Thompson, John Koch, Kathy Beckman and guests Carol Rynders and Kerry Holloway

Meeting was called to order by President Warren Nelson at 5:45 p.m.

Additions to the Agenda were made.

Minutes of the May 27, 2018 meeting were presented and a motion to accept was made by John, second by Larry and unanimous approved.

Third Quarter Financial Report was presented. Motion by Larry to accept, second by Keith, unanimous approved.

**Old Business:**

- Rochester 2019 Regional was discussed – 2 great chairs, do not have the whole site for the tournament – Saturday and Sunday. Have poster boards for the tournament at the upcoming tournaments to promote the Regional
- New Bridgmates. The cost was \$3900. They are free for tournaments in Unit 103, and tournaments that are joint – such as the Fall Tournament and the Gopher. They are available at the cost of \$.50/session for other tournaments. Larry has the case of Bridgmates.

**New Business:**

- Sue is on the Regional Board for the Longest Day. This will be coordinated so it does not overlap any tournaments in the Unit.
- District 14 Meeting Report: Kathy & Raj attended this meeting. It was unproductive as the group is just too big.
- St. Cloud Sectional Report: Made money even though it ran over the Longest Day. Good playing site and parking
- Detroit Lakes I/N Sectional: Jade Barrett was in charge
- North St. Paul I/N Sectional: Successful, made some money.
- Rochester I/N Sectional - Larry was requested by ACBL to do an email blast. Wasn't on his list. Kathy will be letting him know of any new IN Sectionals scheduled by Jade.
- Paul Bunyan Sectional – Up 2 tables. Sunday fell off. Next year will be Thur/Fri/Sat.  
New Brighton I/N - Difficult having two inexperienced chairs on a tournament. Need to do a better job of mentoring new tournament chairs. Made some money. Discussion about I/N Team oriented talks and more “basics” vs conventions at the talks. Kathy will put in a request for MN to have another I/N Regional

### Policy Updates

- Payment to Peggy Kaplan for the MN Bridge Blog. The policy should read “Agreed upon Amount”, and no specific amount listed.
- NAP Awards: The policy needs to be clarified on the amount for both GNT & NAP. Larry will draft the language for the next meeting
- Election of Officers Warren Nelson agreed to stay on as President, unanimously approved
- Larry Huiras agreed to stay on as Vice President, unanimously approved

### Number of Future Meetings and Dates

The By-laws says there are to be 3. It was agreed they will be in Rochester/St. Cloud/ and the Rochester Regional.

### Gopher Meeting Report

Carol gave a report from the Gopher Board Meeting. They are looking for assistance with:  
Gopher Team Games  
Education Fund

After some discussion the suggestion to Carol to take back to the Board is there should be some Gopher Sponsored Team Games in April at the Club level (under 499). They would win a free play for the Gopher Team Games.

Future “shared” tournaments – it was discussed that both units co-chairing a tournament would get the max attendance vs 1 unit this year and the other unit another year.

The two unit boards will share communications – agendas and minutes.

Next Meeting: April in Rochester

Meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm.

Submitted by Patti Huiras, Secretary