

## KDBC 2015-2016 Annual General Meeting May 2 2016

1. Meeting called to order at 6:19. The quorum of 22 was easily surpassed.
2. Julie Flowerdew moved approval of the agenda. Seconded by Diane Thompson. Carried.

### 3. General Meeting Minutes

a) AGM February 2 2015 Jean McGauchie moved acceptance of the minutes of the AGM of February 3 2015. Seconded by Terry Taylor. Carried.

b) Special General Meeting April 6 2015 Heather Barichello moved, seconded by Russ Specht, that the minutes of the SGM April 6 2015 be approved. Carried.

c) Special General Meeting August 17 2015 Moved by Carol Renner, seconded by Noah Stewart, that the minutes of the August 17 2015 SGM be approved. Carried.

d) Abbreviated AGM January 25 2016 Motion by Brenda Barden to accept the minutes of the AGM January 25 2016 . Seconded by Noah Stewart. Carried.

### 4. Reports:

a) President Wendy reported a great year, including 2 successful tournaments. She acknowledged that the club has great members and committees. Moved by Nando Masini Pieralli, seconded by Beverlee Steele to accept the report. Carried.

b) Treasurer Jim Thompson reported on behalf of our treasurer, Bev Demmans. He reported that the club is hurt by the US exchange rate but we are still in good shape. For the April Spring Tournament, we paid nearly \$900 on the US dollar exchange alone. He presented reports up to December 31 2015. Our club has more than \$10 000, including GICs. Moved by Russ Specht, seconded by Nando Masini Pieralli to accept the report. Carried. Income and Expense Statement for 2015 attached.

c) Club Manager Jim reported that the attendance and table fees taken in both increased during 2015. We had 146 members, and a total of 7421 attendees at bridge nights. It is impressive to see the growth. Moved by Heather Barichello, seconded by Julie Flowerdew to accept the report. Carried.

d) Directors' Committee Craig reported that there are now 9 directors. Wendy Munden will retire from directing as of tonight. He asked that more people consider becoming directors. Donna Traas moved to accept the report, Darrel Jones seconded the report. Carried.

e) Education Report Russ Kidd shared that there have been a number of members of the committee over the past few years, and thanked them. They have set up special nights of play and instruction. Russ encouraged any interested KDBC members to join the Education Committee. Nando Masini Pieralli voiced concern over mentoring on a 299er night, pointing out that it is unfair to the opposition when they play against a more experienced player. Mentoring usually takes place during an open event. Russ Kidd pointed out that there is not a policy against this type of mentoring. This will be looked into by the executive. Moved by Marlene Wildeman, seconded by Nando Masini Pieralli that the report be accepted. Carried.

f) Hospitality Jim Nastrom reported that he has good help and workers. He asked that people step up to help if they see that food or coffee isn't being put out. Moved by Beverlee Steele, seconded by Noah Stewart to accept the report. Carried.

g) Membership Aileen thanked committee members who promote membership in the club in a variety of ways, including welcoming, calling, providing a partner request site, recognizing improvement in players, and providing greeting cards to members. The name tags have continued to be

ordered and successful. Moved by Carl Abbott, seconded by Terry Taylor to accept the report. Carried.

## 6. New Business

a) Motion by the Executive Committee that Membership fees remain at \$0 for 2016. Moved by Russ Kidd, seconded by Julie Flowerdew. Carried.

b) Motion by Executive Committee that game fees remain at \$3 for 2016 with no surcharge for special games (e.g. STaCs), Seconded by Carol Renner. Carried

c) Motion by Executive Committee to amend Article 8.5 I of the Club Bylaws to change the spending limit from \$500 to \$1500 and Article 8.5 ii of the Club Bylaws to change the threshold for unusual expenditures from \$200 to \$500.

There was a discussion about the possible purchase of a dealing machine. It was suggested that the executive investigate costs and feasibility and bring back results to the membership at a later date. Jim Thompson suggested the Dealer could cost \$7000 Canadian.

A vote on the motion by secret ballot took place. The motion passed.

d) Motion by Executive Committee to increase the 2015-2016 subsidies paid for name tags approved at the August 17, 2015 AGM from \$700 to \$775. Seconded by Beverlee Steele. Carried.

e) Motion by Executive Committee to provide an ongoing subsidy of between \$5 and \$6 for name tags for new members, the exact amount varying to keep the amount to be paid by the new member to an even dollar figure. Seconded by Helen Samila. Carried.

f) Motion by Executive Committee to approve the KDBC BRIDGE COURSE TEACHING PROGRAM and the associated costs with its implementation. Seconded by Noah Stewart. Carried.

g) Motion by Executive Committee that the Club book all available Wednesday evenings from 7:00-9:30 pm at Heritage House between September 2016 and August 2017 for its education program and to pay the costs associated with doing so. Seconded by Heather Barichello. The motion passed.

#### h) Elections

A vote by secret ballot took place for the position of Vice-President. The candidates for this position were Russ Kidd and Brenda Mathews. All other candidates were voted in by acclamation.

The KDBC executive for 2016 – 2017 is

President	Jim Thompson
Vice President	Brenda Mathews
Treasurer	Bev Demmans
Secretary	Jim Nastrom
Club Manager	Craig Hamilton
Member at Large	Carl Abbott
Member at Large	Aileen Specht

i) Meeting adjourned at 7:15.

