

Minutes of a meeting of the Members of the Ontario Unit 166, American Contract Bridge League held at the Sheraton Centre, Toronto, Ontario on Saturday January 4, 2020 at 2:30 pm.

1. The Chair declared that as notice of the meeting had been mailed to all Members and a quorum being present, he declared the meeting to be regularly constituted.

The Chair stated that members in attendance are requested to sign the consent to hold the meeting and hereby directed such consent to be annexed to the minutes of this meeting.

2. Approve Minutes of Meeting held January 5, 2019

Motion by David McCrady, seconded by Charles Bond *that the minutes of the January 5, 2019 annual meeting be approved. Carried*

3. 2019 Financial Statements

Motion by Darlene Scott, seconded by Sharon Berghaus *that the reading of the Review Engagement Report be dispensed with. Carried*

4. Motion by David McCrady, seconded by Darlene Scott. ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Statement of Financial Position of the Corporation as at August 31, 2019 and the Statement of Income and Expenses and Net Assets and Cash Flows for the year ended on the said date, together with the auditor's Review Engagement Report thereon, be and the same are hereby approved and adopted. Carried***

5. Election/Appointment of Directors

Motion by Gary Westfall, seconded by Michael Yang *that the election of Darlene Scott to the Board of Directors be and is hereby confirmed. Carried*

6. Appointment of Auditor

Motion by Andy Risman, seconded by Darlene Scott. ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT G. J. Westfall, C.P.A., C.A., be and he is hereby appointed Auditor of the Corporation to hold office until the close of the next annual meeting of Members at such remuneration as may be fixed by the Directors. Carried***

7. President's Report

Two Thousand and Nineteen was another successful year for Unit 166.

Our many tournaments were well attended and enjoyed by many players. Fortunately, they ran at a surplus adding to our financial stability. I sometimes wonder if participants can fully appreciate the amount of planning and time and effort that tournament convenors put into these ventures. It is not an easy task. Suffice it to say that we DO appreciate their efforts! These volunteers make many sacrifices to ensure that tournaments run smoothly. We owe them a debt of gratitude.

With the next NABCs due in Toronto Summer 2024, we will be looking for more volunteers to help us run a successful national event. The last one was very successful and players from across North America and abroad thoroughly enjoyed the tournament and our beautiful city. We will soon be canvassing our members and seeking out these “special” people for a repeat performance. Those who volunteered last go ‘round will probably agree that, although the preparations are time consuming, the ultimate result is very enjoyable and rewarding.

Our Kibitzer continues to be a source of great pride and enjoyment. A special thank you goes to Andy Stark, our editor. The issues are full of interesting articles and reports as well as being very visually pleasing. The Kibitzer has a long history of excellence and continues in Andy’s very capable hands.

Our Youth players continue to distinguish themselves in play nationally and internationally.

Michael Yang, our youth bridge chair, has done an excellent job in coaching these young players and encouraging more “senior juniors” to teach as well. The junior program is thriving.

I would like to thank the following people for their contributions:

- Andy Risman, our treasurer
- Debra Kestenberg, our secretary
- Gary Westfall, our auditor
- Martin Hunter, our webmaster
- Steven Overholt, our I/N coordinator
- Andy Stark, our Kibitzer editor
- Sharon Berghaus, for her contributions over the years
- David Halasi, for all his contributions over the years

Over the past few years we have accomplished a great deal together as a collegial board. The mutual respect has created an atmosphere of acceptance of others’ ideas and contributions allowing us to move forward in a very positive direction. We are looking forward to another successful year in 2020 and beyond.

8. Confirmation of Proceedings

Motion by Charles Bond, seconded by Gary Westfall. ***BE IT RESOLVED THAT all the by-laws, resolutions, contracts, acts, and proceedings of the Board of Directors of Unit 166 enacted, passed, made, done or taken since the last meeting of Members be and the same are hereby approved, ratified, and confirmed. Carried***

9. Other Business

There was no other business.

10. Terminate Meeting

That the meeting be terminated at approximately 2.50 pm.

Chairman

Secretary