

PLYMOUTH BRIDGE CLUB

Minutes of Committee Meeting held via Zoom on 17th April 2023

Attendees: Steve Lacey	Chair	(SL)
Charles Greenlees	Treasurer	(CG)
Allan Simpson	Secretary	(AS)
Diane M ^c Gregor	Committee	(DM ^c)
Gill Seymour	Committee	(GS)
Bruce Foster	Committee	(BF)
Sue Gregory	Committee	(SG)
Andy Carpenter	Trustee	(AC)

1. Apologies

- 1.1 Apologies received from Mel Melville-Brown (Vice Chair) and Ailie Henry (Trustee).

2. Minutes of Committee Meeting 13th March 2023

- 2.1 The minutes of the 13th of March meeting were accepted as a true record.

3. Matters Arising

- 3.1 Item 4.4 - Ongoing to be discussed again at the next meeting.
- 3.2 Item 7.3 - Complete see also agenda item 7.
- 3.3 Item 8.2 - Covered under agenda item 9.
- 3.4 Item 9.2 - Complete.
- 3.5 Item 11.2 - Complete. The next beginners' course will be open to all.

4. Treasurer's Report

- 4.1 Charles Greenlees (CG) treasurer tabled management figures to the 31st March 2023, see Annex A.
- 4.2 CG stated that the club was in a reasonably healthy position even though table money was down on previous years and expenses have increased but with £57k in the bank saw no reason not to continue as we are.

5. Membership Secretary's Report

- 5.1 Allan Simpson (AS) stated that membership now stood at 119 with 3 recent resignations. AS table a membership application from Catherine Ledger which was accepted by the Committee.

6. Competitions Committee Report

- 6.1 Andy Carpenter reported that there were no current competitions running and announced the winners of the Spring competitions with all competition trophies and cups being presented at the AGM.
- 6.2 Steve Lacey (SL) Chair stated that a new competitions committee will advise on competitions going forward.

7. Director and Teacher Training

- 7.1 Allan Simpson (AS) secretary stated that in response to the recent e-mail 2 members declared an interest in Director training and 1 in teacher training.
- 7.2 Steve Lacey (SL) Chair stated that there will probably be an EBU led club teacher training course available to interested members in the Autumn, details will be made available when known.
- 7.3 Andy Carpenter (AC) stated that he would be happy to facilitate some director training and will look at possible dates.

8. Preparations for the AGM

- 8.1 There was discussion on likely attendance at the AGM but agreed that it should go ahead as planned.

8.2 Allan Simpson (AS) reported that Committee nominations were:

- Chair - Steve Lacey
- Vice Chair - Mel Mellville-Brown
- Treasurer - Allan Simpson
- Secretary - Vacant
- Committee - Charles Greenlees, Diane McGregor, Gill Seymour, Bruce Foster and Sue Gregory.

8.3 Charles Greenlees tabled the 2022 Accounts and stated the liability for Corporation Tax could be reduced if the club offset premises costs against room lettings.

8.4 The Committee agreed the 2022 accounts for presentation at the AGM.

8.5 Allan Simpson (AS) stated the following motion had been received for discussion at the AGM:

- To re-open the club on a Monday afternoon for Face 2 Face bridge.

8.6 The Committee agreed for the motion to be discussed at the AGM.

9. Building Maintenance and Improvements

9.1 Diane McGregor (DMc) reported that a quote to clean the outside of the clubhouse was £1150.00 + VAT. It was agreed that this should be passed to Ailie Henry as a member of the House Committee to take forward.

Action House Committee

9.2 Charles Greenlees (CG) reported that he was looking into getting all club portable appliances PAT tested.

10. Correspondence

10.1 Nil

11. Any Other Urgent Business Notified to the Chair

11.1 Nil.

12. Date of Next Meeting

12.1 The next Committee meeting will be held on the 22nd May at 5-00 pm..

Allan Simpson
Secretary