PLYMOUTH BRIDGE CLUB

**Minutes of the committee meeting held on Monday 10th June 2019**

Present:Steve Lacey Chair

Richard Ayres

Martin Berkien

Ailie Henry

Jenny Young

Robert Kilby

Linda Parry Secretary

Alan Simpson Membership Secretary

Gill Seymour Lettings

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|  | **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING + MATTERS ARISING** |  |
| **1.0** | Apologies: Charles Greenlees Treasurer  Pete Tunnicliffe Competitions Committee |  |
| **2.0** | One amendment was proposed by **AS** to the minutes of the meeting held 13th May 2019 -  3.1 …should read *“obtained from Pianola”*  This amendment was agreed and the remaining minutes were then approved as an accurate record of the meeting. |  |
| **3.0** | As above |  |
| **4.0** | **Ref. the letter of complaint –**  All Committee members have been apprised of the letter of complaint and it is hoped that a meeting of the parties concerned will take place next week, where, hopefully, a mutually acceptable resolution will be agreed. **SL** will act as an Independent Mediator at this meeting.  It was noted that a Conduct Sub-Committee had not yet been appointed and that the Constitution of the Club requires this to be in place.  **PT** has agreed to Chair this Sub-Committee - **AS** and **LP** volunteered to be the remaining members.  Any appropriate Appeal to decisions would be heard by **SL.**  The Conduct Committee will only be involved in the current complaint if an agreement cannot be agreed informally. |  |
|  | **REPORTS** |  |
| **5.0** | Interim **Treasurers Report**  Whilst there was no report from the **Treasurer,** the Addendum, updated by **AS** to satisfy the new Data Protection legislation, was formally ratified by the Committee.  **AS** has also updated the Privacy Policy; the Club website will be updated shortly.  The next Treasurers Report would be to the July meeting | **PT** |
| **6.0** | **Building Maintenance and Improvements**   1. **Ref. possibility of a flat on the third floor of the PBC property -**   The Building Sub-Committee has yet to meet but, **JY** gave the following information -   1. **JY** asked that it be noted that… as per the minutes of the last meeting -    1. *It might be possible to utilise the vacant space for non-residential purposes*   A ‘Change of Use’ application would definitely be required, should this go ahead.   1. A ‘ball park’ figure of the potential cost for the conversion has been received from the Building Design Consultant, of approx. £30,000 + VAT. A firmer estimate could only be provided when more concrete plans were put forward. 2. There would be Health & Safety issues arising and the Consultant is willing to liaise with any Builder employed.   Discussion of various issues ensued, regarding other implications; however, it was agreed that the Sub-Committee needed to meet, to firm up costs, legal implications etc. and report back next month, as agreed, when more fine detail and research findings, could be presented.   1. **An issue around disabled access to the Club premises was raised**, i.e. the need for a ramp.   The Sub-Committee will investigate this and **AH** will get quotes for installing such a ramp. | **AH** |
| **7.0** | **Competition Committee**  Received a report from **RA**, on behalf of the **Competitions Committee**   1. The Play Day scheduled for 15th June had been cancelled, due to low support; more days like this have been cancelled, than have gone ahead this year, so far. 2. Bridge sessions on Wednesday afternoons have now commenced. |  |
| **8.0** | **Membership**  Received a report from the Membership Secretary   1. Applications have been received and were approved, for Margaret and Stuart McKinley, who are currently taking Beginners’ lessons. 2. **RA** enquired if Students from last year had applied for membership and it was agreed that **RA** and **SL** will check the membership and confirm and AS has confirmed that as of 10th June, 104 members have renewed. | **RA, SL, AS** |
| **9.0** | **Bridge Lessons**  Received a report on bridge lessons at the club  Noted that   1. Teachers met 2 weeks ago and new Beginners lessons will commence on Monday, 30th September. 2. A suggestion was put forward that, instead of ‘terms’, one course of (c. 20 weeks be adopted. To be further discussed. 3. Bridget and Ruth have yet to confirm timings/days for their evening lessons |  |
|  | **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – Monday 8th July at 17.00 |  |