

February 18 Minutes RIBA

Members attending: Charleen Christy, Barry Gilbert, Julie Goulet, Meg Gousie, Joyce Haley, Steve Linder, Sue Miguel, Megan Mihara, Cindy Mottle, Don Rankin, Chris Soares. Absent: Bart Buffington

President Miguel called the meeting to order on Zoom at 1:01 PM.

December 28 minutes. Spelling of Joyce Haley's name was corrected. Motion was made, seconded, and voted to approve as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Chris

Citizens Bank account has been closed because of poor service and an account has been opened at Santander.

Chris is learning Quicken and Pages.

Beginning bank balance at Citizens: \$2344.37. Income: dues \$411.33, Stac games \$225.00. Expenses: Office expense: Subscription to Quicken for one year \$41.35, Government fees \$76.99, Storage expense \$96.90. Ending bank balance (now at Santander) \$2540.46.

Puritan Fund: Opening value: \$10,992. Closing value \$11,732.84.

Report was accepted as presented.

In/Out Report (Julie): In: 6 new members, Out: 1 leaving, 2 deceased.

Welcoming letters sent

President's report.

Sue thanked people who have joined committees.

The Brown University Bridge Club has asked for help in obtaining bidding boxes and cards. Peter Marcus will supply bidding boxes for 12 tables. Motion was made, seconded and voted to purchase, pay for, and donate cards and table mats.

Tournament committee (Charleen)

Motion was made, seconded and voted to offer only three sectionals a year, to be known as the winter, summer, and fall sectionals. The summer sectional may occur in June.

Plans are under way for the June 3 & 4 sectional. Committee had met January 5 by Zoom. Sue will handle publicity. Lois DeBlois is the keeper of the bridge

mates. Steve Myerson and Greg Klinker will handle setup, Grace Charron will handle lunch orders, Diane Lambert will be in charge of hospitality, and Sue will provide caddies. Gala was discussed but no decisions were made.

Committee will meet April 29 at the Johnston Senior Center to become familiar with the facility. Contact person is Denise Bell. Agenda will include reviewing vaccination needs, finding a partnership chair, and giving further consideration to a gala.

Bylaws committee (Cindy)

Committee is to meet again on March 4. No proposals to make at this time, but items being considered are: establishing 11 as the upper limit on the size of the Board of Directors, setting term limits, establishing Roberts Rules of Order or something similar to govern meeting conduct, increasing to 10 days the notice time required for before board meetings, and adding a non-discrimination clause.

Website (Megan Mihara)

2020 change in bylaws is not currently on website. Maureen (outgoing secretary) has the changes and hopes to send them in April. Board members are asked to send proposed website improvements to Sue and/or Megan.

New business:

Discussion of Non-Life-Master game on Saturday at the June tournament. Question is whether to limit the number of masterpoints allowed to participate, and if so at what level. Possibilities include a limit of 500 (will not scare people away), 750 to add a few people (but not a lot), some other number, or no limit. No decision was reached. Sue mentioned that she is giving instruction to 7 tables.

Next meeting: live at the Johnston Senior Center at 10 AM on April 29.

Adjournment: 1:58 PM

Respectfully submitted, Donald Rankin, Secretary