

Parramatta Bridge Club: Committee Meeting

Date: Thursday 5th Dec 2024

Venue: Burnside Café.

Time: 9 am.

MINUTES For Confirmation at next Committee meeting

1. Attendance: Margaret East (President), Ted Richards (Secretary), Bill Doman (Treasurer), Peter Dun (Vice President), Caimein Bowyer, Glen Chick, Lynn Roese.
2. Apologies: All present
3. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting 14th Nov 2024
Moved: 1 Margaret, 2 Bill. AIF Carried
4. Matters arising:
 - 4.1 Honour Board: Lynn and Peter reported that information is being assembled for the website.. Plan to include Past Presidents and Life Members
 - 4.2 Beginner lessons 26th Feb 2025. Only small number of enrollments so far. Margaret has prepared a flyer which is on the website.
 - 4.3 Possible 2025 joint red point events with Pennant Hills BC were discussed.
 - 4.4 The dedicated Club mobile phone has almost no use and will not be renewed. The F2F session directors and Secretary's phone will be listed on the website.
5. Treasurer's Report.
 - 5.1 Balance sheet to 30 Nov 2024 confirms a steady cash position. We are waiting for the ABF to forward the 2024 Congress funds to the Club
 - 5.2 Treasurer recommended that the Club fixed deposit for \$50,000 with Suncorp Bank be renewed for \$55,000 for 12 months.Moved: 1 Lynn, 2 Glen. AIF Carried
6. Membership
 - 6.1 Lindsay Finlayson was accepted for Home membership. Lindsay has been a regular Wednesday night player.
 - 6.2 Peter reported that member birth dates have been removed from Club records as unnecessary. The ABF retain day and month as provided by members.
 - 6.3 Fees 2025 are being received by the Treasurer. Cash to Director or Treasurer or preferably direct transfer to Club Bank Account as shown on monthly statements
 - 6.4 Bill reported on using MyABF for member payments to the Club. There will be advantages but progressive adoption was recommended. Probably, table money for Real Bridge would be the initial step.
7. Calendar:
 - * Christmas Party & Presentation Sat 14 Dec. 1pm at Burnside. Bring a plate with food on it.
 - * Christmas Party will be free for members. Scoring will be with individual movements. Bill will be Director.
 - * Application was made to ABF for approval of joint red point meeting with Pennant Hills BC to proceed concurrently with 2024 Christmas party.
 - * AGM for 2025. Tentatively 1pm Saturday 8 March 2025 at Burnside. (Date will depend on timing of audit of Annual Accounts and the upcoming Federal Election)
 - * Margaret, Peter and Carlyn are updating the 2025 events calendar. Jan and Feb 2025 events are on the website. They are distributing the 14 red point sessions the Club has been allocated for 2025.

8. Correspondence

- * Parramatta City advised that they will refund the Ermington Bond within 21 days.

9. Other Business

- * Margaret Darcy has volunteered to assist the President and Carlyn with the calendar when she returns from holidays.
- * Martin Letherbarrow is dealing the boards with the new dealing machine. Coral Williamson and Annette Ashmore and others have been dealing the boards for years. Thank you.
- * Two younger players, registered with ABF Youth Club, have played recently with us. They have been accompanied by their mother who is a PBC member. A player 18 years or less has to be accompanied by a parent. Otherwise Club organisers would have to hold current Working with Children Certificates.
- * 2025 planning, ideas and initiatives will consider requests for improver lessons.

10. Next meeting. Thursday 16 Jan 2025 at Burnside café at 9am.

Meeting closed: 9.50am