

Minutes
DBAA Board Meeting
Monday, May13, 2024

Tom Drinkard called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. In attendance were:

Tom Drinkard
Rich Brody
Candy Cox
Jim Fordham
Sue Williams

The April Minutes and Treasurer's Report were sent out via email with Tom Drinkard's Agenda for today's meeting. Rich suggested that the discussion of the request to hold the Alzheimer's Longest Day event Saturday, June 22nd, be less detailed, which will be done. Sue said that Sam, knowing about the Board's recommendation, is going ahead with that date. The Treasurer's Report was approved.

The Board discussed Kunal Vohra's request for a donation to help finance his upcoming trip to the FISU World University Mind Games in Uganda. Patty's letter forwarded to the Board members did not mention a specific amount. There is also the question of Kunal's membership in the ACBL. He was a member as of February 2024, but his membership may have lapsed. Candy moved that the decision be tabled until we know more about his ACBL membership and the precise amount that he needs. Rich seconded the motion, and the members present approved.

Tom recommended that the nomination form for 2024 DBAA Hall of Fame, attached to his recent email, once approved, be emailed to all DBAA members along with the included instructions with an example of a completed form, also attached. He further recommends that all club managers be sent a supply of the three documents, maybe 12 copies each. Completed forms go to the DBAA Hall of Fame Committee - Mike Sheldon (Chair), Jim Stogner and Carey Snider). The HOF Committee reviews submitted forms and submits approved nominations to the full DBAA Board. At least eight Board members must approve a nomination for a new HOF member to be named.

Since we didn't have a quorum present, the proposed bylaws update was tabled until the next meeting.

Tom reminded the Board that May is Mentoring Month. Mentors play for free, and directors can submit a request for reimbursement for their plays. Malcolm Todd is the co-ordinator. He has asked that directors wait until the end of the month to send their reimbursement requests.

Tom and Sue have been working on updating the DBAA website - www.dbaa.us. Tom asked that Board members take a look at it for updates and send suggestions to him or Candy.

Tom suggested that we need a DBAA Awards ~~Co-ordinator~~Coordinator who would be in charge of plaques, keeping them updated and maintained.

Tom reported that he and Roz Howell have been moving forward on the directory opt-in forms. Pianola can export a list of members for review and to use as a basis for printing a directory. Merrie Edleston has been sending out welcome letters and free plays to new players. Tom suggested that she might be able to include opt-in forms for new players with her welcome letters. Members thought that ~~a great~~was a great idea.

Jack and Patty sent requests to District 7 for \$750 for a Learn Bridge in a Day class at the Labor Day Regional. A good time for the class would be either 9-1 or 1-5. It is not clear what the \$750 covers. In the past, it has been taught the morning of the first day of the tournament when no games were in session, so the cost of an extra room was not needed. Since we didn't have a quorum present, the request was tabled. Tom will find out what the \$750 covers.

As there was no old business, Tom adjourned the meeting at 7:50.

Respectfully submitted,

Candy Cox