

## DBAA Board Meeting

November 10, 2011

President Ralph Folkerts called the meeting to order at 5:40 pm at the Roswell Senior Center, Grimes Bridge Road, Roswell, GA. Board members in attendance were: Joel Adler, Marty Nathan, Rosalind Howell, Judy Fendrick, Steve Callaham, Betty Myers, and Tarokh Taefi. Also present was Dick Myers.

Minutes of the June meeting were approved as distributed.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted and is attached.

Tarokh reminded the other board members that the current method of using Yahoo Groups for group communication is not working for him and there was considerable discussion about using an alternative. It was agreed that it would be acceptable to use a simple email list.

Roz reported on the 2012 Mentoring Program. The information will be taken to the clubs early in December and will consist of 1) a advertising and sign-up poster, 2) free play certificates that can be copied by the clubs, 3) a copy of the program as approved by the DBAA Board, and 4) a single page summary/guideline for club managers. Roz was directed to write an article about the Mentoring Program for posting to the website.

The Board expressed their appreciation to Bob Heller for his service to Atlanta Bridge. [A motion was made and passed that we will present Bob with a Free Play certificate good for all his entries at the March Sectional.](#) Ralph will make the presentation. Roz will provide an appropriate certificate.

Directors at the Sectional have requested that we provide 'section identifying' stanchions similar to those used at Regionals. They would assist players in finding their tables and provide a convenient place for the directors to post results. The idea received favorable comment and Dick Myers agreed to look into it.

Dick Myers has agreed to be appointed as Sectionals chairman for the next few years. [A motion supporting his appointment was made and passed.](#) Doug Roberts has tentatively agreed to co-chair.

Steve Callaham reported for the website committee. Discussion followed on several points. We may decide if the DBAA wants or needs a more visible role. While discussing the need for a logo, Dick Myers recalled that we already had one and agreed to send a copy of it to everyone. Larry Rich has agreed to continue hosting and maintaining the website. The Committed recommended that we get some additional quotes for redesign on our website and agreed to investigate the possibilities.

Ralph announced that beginning in 2012, we will have Regional rated events at our Sectionals. Events will still be all silver points, but will have larger awards.

Roz presented the Ron Kral brochure on Bridge Etiquette and requested that the DBAA provide copies for the clubs to disperse to the players. [The motion was made and passed to provide up to \\$300 for the project.](#) We agreed to proceed by asking the author for a license to print our own copies.

The next regular meeting will be called for Thursday during the March Sectional.

The meeting was adjourned 6:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosalind Howell

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