

MINUTES ADBC ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MARCH 31, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: President George Morey called the meeting to order about 10:45am. He checked to make sure there was a quorum (at least 36) and that all had received documents prepared for the meeting. He then thanked all who have worked so diligently for the success of ADBC in handling day to day tasks that contribute to the enjoyment of bridge at the newly remodeled and decorated ADBC but noted especially Bill White(webmaster), Mary Ellen Stanton(club manager), and Tom Moore(computer expert) whose efforts are extremely important to the functioning of the club. He also thanked outgoing board members Sue Kay Reeder and Anne Ward Williams for their service.

Karen Caton then gained the floor to give a special vote of thanks to President Morey for his leadership during the trials and stresses involved with renovations the last three years and led a round of applause for George.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes from the last annual meeting, March 25, 2017 and the special meeting on June 3, 2017 to approve the renovation budget were posted on the web and unanimously approved with a minor correction noted by Melody Gann after a motion by Earl Mast with second by Craig Briney.

SELECTION OF CHARITIES APRIL 1, 2018 TO MARCH 31, 2019: Sue Kay Reeder, Treasurer, discussed the charity ballot for which Anne Ward Williams had sent a mailer to members seeking nominations, but none received. Several said they didn't receive the e-mail. No further suggestions were added to the list. Ballots must be turned in by April 9, 2018. The money for charities will accrue through the year and then be divided equally among the four chosen. [Charities selected: Arlington Life Shelter, FAAS (Friends of Arlington Animal Services), NEW DAY, SAFE-HAVEN (The Women's Shelter.)]

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS (4 SEATS): The nominating committee (Chair George Morey, Angela Benvenuto, Dee Berg, Carol Segreti and Mary Ellen Stanton) submitted a slate of eight candidates to fill four open seats on the Board. They were Theresa Brantley, Bob Dixon, Earl Mast, Dorothy Moore, Helen Nelson, Jeff Newman, Ned Nolte and Mickey Tryon. President Morey then asked for any nominations from the floor. None were made. The candidates each gave a short presentation on their desire to serve ADBC. Jeff Newman had a family emergency and was represented by his wife,

Kim. The ballots were distributed, and instructions given to vote by marking no more than four. Mary Ellen Stanton collected the ballots which were given to Steve Kornegay, Anne Ward Williams and Dwight Hill to count. Later in the meeting the winners were announced: Theresa Brantley, Dorothy Moore, Helen Nelson and Mickey Tryon.

REPORTS:

FINANCES: Sue Kay presented a five-year statement of income and expenses for 2013-2017 which showed:

- a decrease in table count
- an increase in avg. tables per game
- a decrease in total revenue from \$125, 657 to \$114,318
- an increase in expenditures from \$121,151 to \$136, 098 (\$122,113 excluding one-time renovation expenses)
- a net profit in 2013 of \$9,105; a net loss in 2017 of \$20, 294 (net loss \$6,309 excluding one-time renovation expenses)
- total current assets: \$71,767 in 2013; \$71,375 in 2017.

AUDIT REPORT: Rosalie Hacker, a CPA and member of the club, reviewed the financial statements and controls. She found that the financial records for the year ending December 31, 2017 were maintained in a manner that is consistent with the desires of the club and properly reflect the results of operations for that year. She also provided some recommendations to the board regarding financial processes. She closed with thanking Sue Kay and Mary Ellen for their work.

ARLINGTON SECTIONAL: Sue Kay presented a five-year history for the finances of the ADBC sectional including revenue, expenses and table counts from 2013 to 2017.

RENOVATION: George discussed actual vs budgeted costs for the ADBC renovation. The project came in under budget though the un-anticipated problem of a poorly matching countertop in the kitchen was corrected through member donations.

OPEN FORUM: President George Morey discussed some of the problems and challenges ADBC has faced the past few years, the main one being declining table count resulting in decreased revenue. In 2017 the board approved the first fee increase for game directors since 2013. The board also approved a fee increase for certain games to

partially cover the higher director compensation and 2017 deficit (excluding renovation costs.) The board will explore ways to increase table count before taking further action on game fees.

He then asked for input from the members. Mary Ellen Stanton reminded members of the rules for recycling: The recyclables are to be put in the green containers; No Styrofoam or food-contaminated items should be recycled. Trash should be put in the trash cans.

Mary Ellen also said she wanted to start having a mentor game for her Saturday morning game because they had asked for one. She outlined her expectations for participation and listened to suggestions. Helen Nelson also volunteered to make breakfast for the inaugural Saturday morning mentoring.

ADJOURNMENT: President George Morey adjourned the meeting about noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Melody Gann, Secretary ADBC