



**MINUTES of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Canadian
Bridge Federation Incorporated held at the Sheraton Montréal Airport
Montréal, QC April 25 - 27, 2012**

PRESENT: Kathie Macnab - Zone I Director
Jean Castonguay - Zone II Director
Nader Hanna - Zone III Director & President
Neil Kimelman - Zone IV Director
Jerry Mamer - Zone V Director
Peter Morse - Zone VI Director & Vice-President
Janice Anderson - Executive Assistant, Executive Secretary and Treasurer
Claire Jones - ex-officio Director - District 18
George Retek - ex-officio Director - District 1 - Thursday, April 26 only

NOTE: Throughout these minutes, the following abbreviations are used:

CBF - will refer to the Canadian Bridge Federation Incorporated
ACBL - will refer to the American Contract Bridge League
CBC - will refer to the Canadian Bridge Championships
CNTC - will refer to the Canadian National Team Championship with A and B designating the flights
CWTC - will refer to the Canadian Women's Team Championship
COPC - will refer to the Canadian Open Pairs Championship
CSTC - will refer to the Canadian Senior Team Championship
CIPC - will refer to the Canadian Imp Pairs Championship
COC - will represent the Canadian Olympic Committee
AGM - will represent the Annual General Membership meeting of the CBF.
WBF - will refer to the World Bridge Federation
BC - will refer to the publication Bridge Canada
DIC - will refer to director-in-charge
NPC - will refer to non-playing captains

Nader Hanna, as CBF President, assumed the Chair and **Janice Anderson**, as Executive Secretary, was directed to act as Secretary of the meeting. **The Chairperson declared a quorum present and the meeting to be regularly constituted.**

1. CALL TO ORDER & AGENDA

At 8:35 a.m. the President called the meeting to order.

Nader outlined how he thought the CBF had a good year in 2011/2012 but we still have some major issues to face:

- ▶ we have set up the CNTC-C and have 12 teams registered to play this year
- ▶ we have set up the Mini-McKinney races and the first winners will be announced early in 2013
- ▶ the continuing decline in CBF memberships is still a major concern
- ▶ we have hit a dead end at trying to get recognized as an Amateur Athletic Association
- ▶ we have a new agreement with Osteoporosis Canada and will see how that works for awareness
- ▶ we need to continue working on our International status - Nader outlined his progress on this so far
- ▶ Nader outlined how he would like to spend two or three hours brainstorming and discussing ways to increase and/or diversify membership. The board spent time the first morning of the meetings doing this.

2. CORPORATE MATTERS

2.1 CONFIRMATION OF ELECTIONS

Janice Anderson reported the following election results for 2011 elections.

Nader Hanna - Zone III Term: ends December 31, 2014- re-elected by acclamation

Peter Morse - Zone VI Term: ends December 31, 2014 - re-elected by acclamation

MOTION 12-1: The re-election of Nader Hanna and Peter Morse are ratified by the Board.

MOVED by Kathie Macnab.

SECONDED by Neil Kimelman.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2.2 UPCOMING ELECTIONS

This fall, elections will be conducted in Zones I and IV.

Nominations are being accepted until September 30, 2012.

Both Kathie Macnab and Neil Kimelman indicated that they plan to seek re-election.

Successful candidates will begin their term on January 1, 2013. A Call for Candidates will run in the August 2012 issue of Bridge Canada. Clubs in Zones I & IV will also receive information by mail. The Call for Candidates notice will also be placed on the CBF website.

2.3 ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The 2011 meeting was held on May 28, 2011 in Regina, SK at the 2011 Canadian Bridge Championships.

The minutes of the 2011 AGM were reviewed by the Board.

2012 AGM is set for here in Montreal - Saturday, May 5

Janice will put up posters announcing the meeting and will see what CBF board members are still available.

If Nader is still in Montreal, he will chair.

It was decided to try holding the 2013 AGM on the Wednesday morning of the Canadian Championships as more people may be available to attend.

3. CBF BYLAWS

There are no pending Bylaw amendments at this time.

4. MINUTES OF THE 2011 - 2012 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

4.1 May 18 - 20, 2011 CBF Board Meeting in Regina, SK

MOTION 12-2: The minutes of the May 18 - 20, 2011 CBF Board of Directors meeting and the June 27, 2011, Sept. 12, 2011 and Dec. 18, 2011 conference calls are ratified as presented.

MOVED by Kathie Macnab.

SECONDED by Jean Castonguay.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4.2 Actions done by Email Vote

The actions done by email vote were reviewed by the board.

MOTION 12-3: Email motions as presented in Appendix A of these minutes, are approved.

MOVED by Jerry Mamer.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4.3 Business Arising from the Minutes

All items will be addressed under their corresponding topic.

5. MEMBERSHIP

Membership numbers in 2011 and first four months of 2012 are about the same as the previous year with a slight continual decrease. Numbers indicate the following:

On April 1, 2012 there were 17,881 ACBL members in Canadian Units

In 2011: 6,219 people paid CBF membership fees with ACBL membership and 8,901 did not.

66 paid CBF membership directly to the CBF- over half of these were the result of them playing in CBC.

- ▶ *Janice reported that only 5 CBF memberships were received as a result of our promotion where Club Manager, Directors and Teachers could sell CBF membership, minus the \$10 service fee, and keep 20% of membership as a finder's fee.*
- ▶ *Nader reported on the table he set up at the CBF Regional in Toronto. He had information printed and displayed. At the conclusion of the tournament nearly all material was still there and no one asked any questions about CBF membership and no one purchased membership.*

6. BRIDGE CANADA

2011 we spent \$9,755 on three issues of Bridge Canada. All three issues were digital and only available on our website. All three issues were in French and English. Beginning with the Dec. 2011 issue we have hired a professional to set up the French issue so that it duplicates the English Issue. Francine and Denis Cimon are still doing all the translating and proofing for the French edition.

The board expressed its sincere thanks to our editor, Jude Goodwin and to Denis and Francine Cimon for their translating work.

The spring 2012 digital issue of Bridge Canada cost \$3,789.

Discussed an email from EBSCO Publishing who would like to obtain a license to our Bridge Canada content. **It was felt that this would have no benefit to us and thus the CBF is not interested.**

The CBF will look into copy writing Bridge Canada.

7. INTERNET

Reviewed the website and identified continuing concerns:

- ▶ *French - still need more French content and should have Bi-lingual sidebars*
- ▶ *CBC reporting is still a major concern - we really need some way for the DIC to upload results directly. Janice reported that Doug Rankin would again be posting from Montreal after each round. The problem being that people do not read and expect Jude's tables to be completed immediately and do not look at what Doug posts*

MOTION 12-4: Jude Goodwin be paid \$30 + HST per hour for 8 hours per month webmaster service.

This agreement is for June 1, 2012 to May 31, 2013.

MOVED by Peter Morse.

SECONDED by Neil Kimelman.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- ▶ Discussed advertising on the website.
 - Peter Morse will update and send out to the board a proposed policy on advertising.
- ▶ Discussed improving the side bars
- ▶ Peter will have a face to face meeting with Jude and go over items that need updating or work
- ▶ All CBF Board members will share in checking the site for out of date or missing items. They will copy Janice on any items they find.

8. CBF STAC

The 2012 STAC was run under the new ACBL structure. Janice had them send an email (bi-lingual) to all Canadian club managers advertising the STAC. In January and early February Janice developed lists of clubs that hadn't signed up for the STAC yet and sent them email reminders.

We made \$15,034.63 on 2012 STAC. Table count held about the same at 3,198.5 tables

The CBF STAC always begins on the third Monday of February.

2013 STAC - February 18 - 24, 2013

2014 STAC - February 17 - 23, 2014

2015 STAC - February 16 - 22, 2015

9. CANADIAN ROOKIE-MASTER GAMES

The winners since our last meeting have been:

2011

Erin Berry: Elaine Crocker & Lynne Monar Saskatoon Bridge Club 72.16%

2012

Helen Shields:

Game was on Monday, April 23 so it is too early to have the results

Discussed how to get people to do analysis. The key is to get people who can write analysis that is totally geared to the Rookie - under 50 mpt people. We will announce we are looking for people at the 2012 AGM and all directors will keep this in mind.

2011 - Erin Berry - Kathie Macnab volunteered that she and Jill McCormick would do the analysis.

2012 - Helen Shields - Allan Simon of Calgary volunteered

2012 - Erin Berry - Peter Morse

2013 - Helen Shields - ??

Discussed dropping participation and the number of clubs holding afternoon games.

MOTION 12-5: The 2013 Helen Shields RM Game will be changed to an afternoon game.

MOVED by Peter Morse.

SECONDED by Jerry Mamer.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

We will review the 2013 Helen Shields game participation to see if the afternoon game should be continued.

10. TROPHIES, SCREENS AND EQUIPMENT

10.1 Mini-Richmond Pins

- *reviewed the suggested pins. All agree it must be larger - should be at least double the size of the sample pin.*
- *The bottom portion of the pin needs contrast so that it is easier to read.*
- *It was decided to only award pins to the Zone winners in the 10 categories. Jan will prepare certificates to also give to the National winners.*

- **on the CBF website - the home page should list the top person Nationally in each category each month with a link to complete list.**

10.2 Trophies

Selected a trophy for the CNTC-C National Winners.

10.3 Screens

66 screens were shipped here to Montreal. They will be stored in the Montreal Bridge League storage place.

Jean Castonguay will get screens to Toronto for 2013 CBC and then they will go back to Montreal.

66 screens are stored in Regina. They will be needed in Calgary for 2014 CBC.

10.4 Clocks

Two of the clocks donated by Gordon Campbell stopped working at the end of 2011 CBC.

In Montreal we are using Unit 151 clocks. We will need to find a solution for clocks fo 2013. Even if we could fix the ones we have, the cost of shipping would be prohibitive.

Neil Kimelman, Nader Hanna and Janice Anderson will try looking into finding suitable alternative to our clocks. With clocks in place and with directors making time announcements, players should be well aware of the time remaining in matches.

11. CBF INTERNATIONAL FUND REGIONAL

11.1 2012 Toronto - January 24 - 29, 2012

Chair: Nader Hanna

Net: \$5,838.98

- *Nader reported that the location was well received.*
- *Attendance was scarey - only 708 total tables.*
- *2014 Regional will be in Toronto at the same location. The dates should be better: Sept. 17 - 21, 2014.*
- *Nader reported that he has had talks with Tourism Toronto and will likely get some funding.*

11.2 2013 Regional

2013 - Calgary, AB - January 21 - 27, 2013 Co-Chairs: Frank Ayer and Delores Hedley of Calgary.

- will be held in the Marlborough Park Community Centre. This was where we held the 2005 CBF International Fund Regional in Calgary. The rent is extremely good.

11.3 Future Regionals

2014 - Toronto, ON - Delta Toronto East Sept. 17 - 21, 2014

2015 - Kingston, ON July 28 - August 3, 2015. John A. MacDonald CBF International Fund Regional

Chair: Ed O'Reilly

CBF is guaranteed \$20,000.00 - \$15,000 has already been received.

2016 - Montreal

12. CANADIAN IMP PAIR

8th CIPC was held in Regina, SK 20.5 tables took part

Winners were:

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| 1. Kelvin Raywood & Gray McMullin | \$400 |
| 2. Julie Smith & Susan Peters | \$250 |
| 3. David Sabourin & Jeff Smith | \$150 |

No changes were made to the format.

13. CANADIAN OPEN PAIRS

13.1 2011 National Final - Regina, SK

Day 1: 21.5 tables Day 2: 13.5 tables

Prizes were: 1st \$2,000 2nd \$1000

- Winners:**
1. David Smith & Doran Flock
 2. Daniel Korbel & Danny Miles
 3. Ray Jotcham & Stephen Mackay

13.2 2012 National Final - Montreal

- Friday, May 4 & Saturday, May 5

- Prize for winners is \$1500 cash and 2nd place gets \$750 cash

13.3 Future Events

2013 - Toronto - May 31 & June 1, 2013

2014 - Calgary - May 9 & 10, 2014

13.4 Conditions of Contest

Conditions of Contest were reviewed.

No changes were made to Conditions of Contest.

14. CANADIAN SENIOR TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

- 2011 - Regina: 7 teams
- **Winners:** Boris Baran, Michael Schoenborn, Don Piafsky, Fred Hoffer, Dan Jacob, Jurek Czyzowicz
- 2012 - Montreal - no idea how many teams
 - the International Fund Surtax on the Round Robin entry fee has been reduced by \$100.
- **The Board reviewed the format and felt that the current format is the best we can do.**

15. CANADIAN WOMEN'S TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

15.1 2011 National Final - Regina

- 8 teams

Winners: Joan Eaton, Karen Cumpstone, Katrin Litwin, Sandra Fraser

15.2 2012 National Final - Montreal

- We only have 6 teams registered - lowest turnout since 2001 in Montreal

15.3 Future

- 2013 Toronto
- 2014 Calgary
- 2015 Montreal

15.4 Conditions of Contest

- The Conditions of Contest were reviewed and discussion took place on how to make it a better event given the small turnouts we have been having.

MOTION 12-6: Beginning with the 2013 CWTC National Final, the final will become a six day event. It will begin on the Sunday and run thru the Friday of the CBC.

- ◆ **If more than 6 teams register - there will be a 3 day Round Robin followed by a one day KO Semi-Final and a two day KO Final.**
- ◆ **If 6 or fewer teams register - there will be a double round robin held over four days followed by a two day KO final.**

MOVED by Peter Morse.

SECONDED by Kathie Macnab.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

16. CANADIAN NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

16.1 2011 National Final

- Regina: A: 16 teams **Winners:** John Rayner, Michael Roche, David Lindop, Doug Baxter, Mike Hargreaves, James McAvoy
- B: 12 teams **Winners:** Glenn Cossey, Don McCarthy, Nazir Ahmad, Larry Custead

16.2 2012 National Final - Montreal

- Entries - A: 18 teams - no teams from Zones V or VI
- B: 13 teams - one team from Zone V and the rest are all Zone II
- C: 12 teams - no Zone III or VI teams

16.3 Conditions of Contest

Conditions of Contest were reviewed by the Board.

Discussion took place on the merit of reinstating Zone finals. The board did not feel this was of any benefit.

*Discussed need to have ACBL Score to automatically set strats at 2500 and 1000 for CNTC club games. **Janice will talk to Jim Lopushinsky of the ACBL about this.***

*Discussed verifying that all players participating in CNTC-B and CNTC-C meet the Master Point restrictions on Sept. 1. **Janice will talk to Richard Oshlag of the ACBL to see what kind of file she can get so this can be done.***

No changes were made to the Conditions of Contest.

17. CANADIAN BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS (CBC)

17.1 2011 Regina

Dates: Saturday, May 21- Saturday, May 28, 2011

CNTC-A 16 teams - down 7 from 2010

Winners: John Rayner, Michael Roche, David Lindop, Doug Baxter, Mike Hargreaves, James McAvoy

CNTC-B 12 teams - down 5 from 2010

Winners: Glenn Cossey, Don McCarthy, Nazir Ahmad, Larry Custead

CWTC - 8 teams - same as 2010

Winners: Joan Eaton, Karen Cumpstone, Katrin Litwin, Sandra Fraser

CSTC - 7 teams - down 2 from 2010

Winners: Boris Baran, Michael Schoenborn, Don Piafsky, Fred Hoffer, Dan Jacob, Jurek Czyzowicz

CIPC - 20.5 tables - down 8.5 tables from 2010

Winners: Kelvin Raywood & Gray McMullin

COPC - 21.5 tables - down 7.5 tables from 2010

Winners: David Smith & Doran Flock

Swiss Teams - 9 teams - down 9 from 2010

Winners: Dianne Isfeld, Martin Henneberger, Angela Fenton, Perry Khakhar

Net: \$1,145.95 - Note: Cash prizes were included as CBC expenses instead of separate line items on the financial statements.

MOTION 12-7: The 2011 CBC winners are confirmed.

MOVED by Peter Morse.

SECONDED by Neil Kimelman.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

17.2 2012 Montreal

Entries: CNTC-A 18 teams - up 2 teams

CNTC-B 13 teams - up 1 teams

CNTC-C 12 teams - first year

CWTC 6 teams - down 2

- ▶ *Email was sent to all Canadians on ACBL email list.*
- ▶ *Posters were mailed to all clubs in Canada twice*
- ▶ *All pre-alerts have been submitted in advance and posted on the website.*
- ▶ *Vugraph - will be broadcasting CWTC final, CNTC-A final and CSTC final.*
- ▶ *Tourism Montreal will be giving a grant*

Conduct and Ethics Committee will consist of: Nader Hanna, chair; any board members still present.

17.3 Future Canadian Bridge Championships

- 2013 - Toronto - May 25 - June 1, 2013 Delta Toronto East
- Nader reported that he is getting a grant from Tourism Toronto
- 2014 - Calgary - May 3 - 10, 2014 - Radisson Hotel Calgary Airport
- 2015 - Montreal
- 2016 - Toronto
- 2017 - Winnipeg, MB
- 2018 - possibly Maritimes

17.4 Changes to format - conditions

*This year we are keeping boards played in the Round Robins to a daily maximum of 60. Discussed perhaps also changing number of boards per day in the KO matches. No decision at this time.
Discussed the fact that the WBF may change the Imp - VP conversion scale that they use.*

MOTION 12-8: If the WBF changes the Imp-VP Conversion Scale they use, the CBF will change to match the new WBF scale.

MOVED by Jean Castonguay.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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- discussed Butler Scoring - the costs of providing this are just too high to bother with it
 - discussed Bridge Mates - the cost would be approximately \$100 per table plus the system. Shipping and handling costs would also be involved yearly. Unfortunately this is a luxury the CBF can not afford at this time.
 - discussed having Daily Bulletins but again the cost does not seem to fit the worth. Also it is very difficult to get anyone to do all the work.
 - discussed Vu-Graph and it was felt that we should be trying to broadcast even more matches than we are currently doing.

Slow Play - Discussed and reviewed the current Slow Play policy.

MOTION 12-9: Allocation for slow play will be split equally between the two teams when the director does not assign any blame to either team.

MOVED by Neil Kimelman.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION 12-10: Whenever a segment is in excess of 25 minutes late, an additional 50% of actual late time will be added to the late play record. The addition of 50% of late play time is subject to review by the CBF Tournament Committee.

MOVED by Peter Morse.

SECONDED by Jerry Mamer.

CARRIED.

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- NOTE: make sure Conditions of Contest state "segment" not "match".
 - Slow Play policy will be put in the General Conditions of Contest for CNTC, CWTC and CSTC and any separate National Final Conditions will just refer players to the General Conditions.
 - Discussed Electronic Device policies.

MOTION 12-11: Effective immediately the following Electronic Device Policy is in effect:

1. The following policy applies to all Canadian Bridge Championship (CBC) events except for the Saturday Swiss Teams.
All electronic devices are excluded from the playing areas and adjacent areas during any session of play. This does not apply to health related equipment.
2. The restrictions above apply to all pairs, team members, captains, coaches, play recorders (except those designated by the CBF) and kibitzers and are in force throughout any actual playing session or segment of play.
3. A violation of any of the restrictions above will result in a disciplinary penalty of one full board (12 imps at that form of scoring) for the first offense. A second offense will result in disqualification from the event for the pair/team. Kibitzers violating this policy will be removed from the playing area for the remainder of the session.

MOVED by Neil Kimelman.**SECONDED by Peter Morse.****CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.****18. CANADIAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE***2012 Session meeting is scheduled for May 20 and May 21 in Quebec City.***MOTION 12-12: George Retek will represent the CBF at the 2012 Olympic Committee session meetings in Quebec City. George will have a budget of \$500 to cover expenses.****MOVED by Jean Castonguay.****SECONDED by Kathie Macnab.****CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.****19. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****19.1 2011 Unaudited Statement***The 2011 audited statement was not available at this time so the meeting went over the unaudited statement.***MOTION 12-13: Subject to receipt of the Audited Statement, the Board accepts the 2011 Financial statement.****MOVED by Peter Morse.****SECONDED by Neil Kimelman.****CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.****19.2 Investment Report***Nader Hanna presented a formal report from the Investment Committee.**The board received the report with thanks.***20. JUNIOR BRIDGE****20.1 Junior Fund Games***Reviewed the numbers for dollars raised by Junior Fund Games.**During 2011 February ``Junior Month` clubs brought in \$6,778 - this is down \$781 from 2010**During the other months of the year when Junior Fund games may be held, clubs brought in \$3,837.50 which is down \$1,986.50 from 2010. This decrease is still a result of the change in policy ACBL that now limits the number of Junior Fund games a club may hold each month.**Games at Sectionals in the Maritimes brought in \$92.00 which is down \$3.06 from 2010.**Received \$576.05 in donation - the largest was from a 50/50 draw a Halifax Sectional.**Total 2011 revenue was \$11,343.31*

20.2 2012 World Youth Team Championship

- July 25 - August 4, 2012 - Taiceng, China
- *Bryan is close to naming the teams*
- *We will have an under 25 and an under 20 team. The under 20 team will be very inexperienced.*
- *Teams will have to be ratified by email vote.*
- *Bryan will be NPC of younger team.*
- *Most on the under 20 team will require a parent or guardian to go on the trip.*
- *no budget submitted but it was noted that airfares are at least \$1900 Toronto to Shanghai.*
- *the junior teams will be provided with the same uniforms as our Open, Women and Senior teams.*

MOTION 12-14: Rock Shi Yan is approved as being a pre-approved NPC for Youth and Junior teams.

MOVED by Jerry Mamer.

SECONDED by Neil Kimelman.

CARRIED.

MOTION 12-15: Bryan Maksymetz is approved as the NPC of the Canadian youngster team and Rock Shi Yan is approved as the NPC of the Canadian youth team.

MOVED by Jerry Mamer.

SECONDED by Neil Kimelman.

CARRIED.

MOTION 12-16: Members of our youth and youngster teams along with the NPCs will be given \$100 each to cover transfers and incidentals. The money will only be paid out once all other receipts/invoices have been received.

MOVED by Peter Morse.

SECONDED by Neil Kimelman.

CARRIED.

The CBF will cover all team member costs for airfare and visa costs. This will be paid out to individuals only after receipts have been received.

Janice will arrange that accommodation costs are paid directly in advance by the CBF. The entry fee is paid by the CBF to the WBF.

20.3 Future Plans - new ACBL motion

- *beginning January 1, 2013 all Junior fund game money will go directly to ACBL.*
- *CBF must submit a yearly budget to ACBL for Junior Fund money. Budget due by previous summer.*
- *ACBL will fund our teams.*
- *Janice and Nader will handle submitting a budget for 2013 to the ACBL. If possible we will talk to Robert Hartman, ACBL CEO, when he is in Montreal about this.*

20.4 Junior Manager Report

No Junior Manager report was received but Nader Hanna gave some details on what has been occurring.

- *had 24 kids take part in on-line work*
- *Bryan Maksymetz has been working hard with the kids.*
- *Bryan is close to naming the teams*
- *Eric Kokish has been working with the kids - assignments, reviewing play on BBO*
- *Bryan is planning a weekly newsletter*
- *Bryan has a Junior section on the CBF website*

20.5 Other Junior Matters

Discussed requirements of anyone involved with CBF Junior program.

MOTION 12-17: Any person involved with the CBF Junior program must have, on file with the CBF office, a Police Record Check that is no more than three years old.

MOVED by Jerry Mamer.

SECONDED by Kathie Macnab.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

21. INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

21.1 International Fund Games

The Board reviewed the report on money raised from International Fund Games in 2011

<i>Sept. International Fund Month games:</i>	\$ 4,805	- down \$329
<i>International Fund CC games in other allowed months:</i>	308	- down \$504
<i>Three ACBL Wide International Fund Games:</i>	3,447	- up \$143
<i>Two Canada Wide Olympiad Fund Games:</i>	3,790	- down \$ 360
<i>Sectional Tournament IF Games:</i>	3,166	- down \$408
<i>Canadian Share of NABC+ event surtaxes:</i>	4,400	- up \$22
<i>Surtaxes from CBC:</i>	8,800	-down \$1,800
<i>CBC Swiss teams</i>	1,029	- down \$1,028
<i>Sponsorship</i>	0	- down \$2,500
<i>2011 CBF International Fund Regional:</i>	<u>19,484</u>	<u>- up \$3,813</u>
<i>Total 2011 Revenue: (not counting investments)</i>	\$ 49,229	-down \$2,951

All board members were asked to try and encourage Sectionals in their Zones to hold IF games .

The ACBL is planning to introduce a new fund, the Grassroots Fund, which will have a designated month. This will give one less month for International Fund club championship events and will also mean clubs have one more choice of funds to support. This will probably cause a decrease in International Fund revenue from games at clubs.

Janice reported that ACBL has changed the International Fund games at Sectionals. Previously a Sectional could upgrade one or two sessions to Regional rating if they made them International Fund games and submitted \$4 a table per session to the International Fund. Now a Sectional will be able to up grade one or two sessions by making them beneficiaries of any of the Funds (Charity, Junior, International or Grassroots). This will likely decrease our International Fund revenue even more.

21.2 2011 World Team Championship

- was held in Veldhoven, The Netherlands October 15 - 29, 2011

-NPC reports from the teams

- Senior Team did not send in a report within the allowed (60 days) time and thus forfeited \$1000 of their team subsidy

- no players submitted reports or comments

Nader Hanna reported on the new technology used at the 2011 World Team Championship

21.3 2012 Event

- *World Bridge Games (formerly Olympiad) to be held as part of the 2nd World Mind Sport Games in Lille, France*
- *Canadian teams will be decided at the 2012 CBC here in Montreal*

21.4 Future World Events

- *2013 - World Team Championship - Bali, Indonesia Sept. 16 - 29, 2013 - must be preceded by a Bi-Country Playoff*
- *2014 undecided at this time - Poland was interested but do not have the funding, Berlin was interested but wanted it at the same time as the NABC dates.*
 - *a town in Italy may be possibility as they have the funding.*

21.5 Subsidies

- *Current subsidy formula is: Each team receives - 1/3 of the subsidy pool plus the money raised in IF surtaxes in their event at the CBC. The entry fee is paid from the team's 1/3 share of the subsidy pool.*
- *It was noted that this year we will also have to provide each team with uniforms to comply with the WBF Dress Code.*

MOTION 12-18: The 2012 Subsidy Pool will be \$40,600. Each team's entry fee will come out of their share of the subsidy pool. The CBF will pay for the team uniforms from a uniform budget.

MOVED by Neil Kimelman.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

21.6 NPCs

Reviewed the applications received for people wishing to be included on the pre-approved NPC list.

At this time no other names were added to the Pre-approved NPC list.

Reviewed the CBF policy regarding NPC reports.

MOTION 12-19: Not submitting an NPC report may be grounds for removal from the pre-approved NPC list.

MOVED by Neil Kimelman.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

21.7 Uniforms

WBF policy now dictates that all teams must have team uniforms and no one will be allowed in the playing area if they are not in their team uniform.

The board reviewed the submission from Brian Ferguson of Talbot Marketing Inc.

Board felt teams should have four tops - "polo" or golf style or shirts.

The board decided to give each member of the Canadian teams one shirt each of #2, #3, #4 and #5 on the Talbot sheet. This will apply to all teams - Open, Women's, Senior, Youth and Youngsters.

The budgeted cost will be \$125 per person plus we will have postage costs to distribute the shirts. This comes to approximately \$2,800 from the International Fund for the Open, Women's and Senior teams and \$1,900 from the Junior Fund for the Youth and Youngster teams.

21.8 WBF Eligibility

The WBF has ruled that our Canadian Bridge Championships are a zonal playoff and thus anyone taking part in our championships is now considered to have played in a Zonal playoff and under current regulations will be ineligible to play in another country's Zonal playoff or represent another country for 2.5 years.

Janice will announce this at the Captain's meetings here in Montreal.

21.9 WBF Zone II representatives

Discussed the current way in which the WBF Zone II representatives are picked. The WBF has suggested that changes are coming in their Bylaws re: zonal representatives. It was felt this would be a good time to actually get a CBF selected representative on the WBF for Zone II.

Nader Hanna will continue his efforts on behalf of the CBF to get a CBF representative on the WBF board for Zone II.

22. CBF COORDINATOR AND OFFICE

Janice Anderson notified the CBF Board that she would like to retire after the conclusion of the 2014 Canadian Bridge Championships in Calgary.

Janice left the meeting while discussions on this topic took place.

MOTION 12-20: Janice Anderson, CBF Executive Assistant, be given a \$1500 bonus in recognition of her work on behalf of the CBF during the past year.

MOVED by Neil Kimelman.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED.

Each Zone Director will contact anyone they think might be interested and suitable to take over the job of Executive Assistant. Zone Directors can show individuals Jan's month by month job outline. Anyone interested should submit a resume to the CBF by fall of 2012.

Janice is asked to begin preparing a list of all items that will need changing - contacts, addresses, bank accounts, etc.

23. TRANSLATIONS

The Board extended its thanks and appreciation to Gerard Côté for his translation work and willingness to continue as the CBF translator.

Janice pointed out how helpful Gerard had been with translating emails from people with questions about these championships.

24. ERIN BERRY MEMORIAL FUND

The Trustees had \$4675 available to give in grants - this represented the interest earned in one year plus 5% of the principle. The following grants were made:

<i>Bayden Carter, Moncton (12)</i>	<i>Youth NABC</i>	<i>\$ 425</i>
<i>Josh Cormier, Moncton (12)</i>	<i>Youth NABC</i>	<i>\$ 425</i>
<i>Mackenzie Curry, Moncton (12)</i>	<i>Youth NABC</i>	<i>\$ 425</i>
<i>Jessica Green, Moncton (13)</i>	<i>Youth NABC</i>	<i>\$ 425</i>
<i>Dru Guimond, Moncton (12)</i>	<i>Youth NABC</i>	<i>\$ 425</i>
<i>Robert Guimond, Moncton (14)</i>	<i>Youth NABC</i>	<i>\$ 425</i>
<i>Evan Jones, Moncton (13)</i>	<i>Youth NABC</i>	<i>\$ 425</i>
<i>Nathanael Mack, Moncton (13)</i>	<i>Youth NABC</i>	<i>\$ 425</i>
<i>Tim Poirier, Moncton (12)</i>	<i>Youth NABC</i>	<i>\$ 425</i>
<i>Benjamin Randall, Moncton (12)</i>	<i>Youth NABC</i>	<i>\$ 425</i>
<i>Jacob Rice, Moncton (12)</i>	<i>Youth NABC</i>	<i>\$ 425</i>
<i>Total 2012 Grants:</i>		<i>\$4,675</i>

MOTION 12-21: The CBF Board ratifies the Erin Berry Memorial Fund Report.

MOVED by Kathie Macnab.

SECONDED by Neil Kimelman.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

25. Hall of Fame

- ▶ *Nader reported on the 2011 induction ceremony which was held in Toronto at the summer NABC.*
- ▶ *2012 induction ceremony is planned for here in Montreal on the Tuesday, May 1 at 7:30pm in Salon Latour*
- ▶ *Discussed criteria for nomination:*
 - *priority should be for Canadians living and playing in Canada. Canadians living and playing elsewhere should have a much lower priority.*
 - *priority is also given to Open results over restricted results*
- ▶ ***The CBF needs an individual that will look after writing and maintaining the material on the CBF website***
- ▶ *John Carruthers will be stepping down as Chairman of the Canadian Bridge Hall of Fame committee. Paul Thurston will take over as chairman after the 2012 induction ceremony.*

26. SPONSORSHIP/FUNDRAISING

26.1 Osteoporosis Canada Proposal

- *the program, which is called Bridge Across Canada, has been set up and started in Toronto.*
- *reviewed contract with Osteoporosis Canada*
- *Benefits to the CBF are:*
 - *visibility*
 - *bringing our name in front of potential sponsors*
 - *CBF gets 30% of any money from a title sponsor (minimum \$7500)*
- *CBF responsibilities are:*
 - ▶ *Acknowledgement as a sponsor of the CBF and display of sponsor's logo on the CBF website and in Bridge Canada magazine*
 - ▶ *Publicity and display of sponsor's logo at the two major annual CBF organized events, namely the Canadian Bridge Championships and the CBF International Fund Regional (posters, event publications and hand-outs, etc). The CBF shall also distribute any samples or promotional material provided by the sponsor to participants at these events.*
 - ▶ *Where possible, sponsor acknowledgement in CBF related articles published in the ACBL's monthly Bulletin*
 - ▶ *The CBF shall ask Canadian bridge columnists reporting on the Canadian Bridge Championships in national newspapers to acknowledge the sponsor.*
 - ▶ *The CBF shall ask Canadian commentators to acknowledge the sponsor during any live internet broadcast of the Canadian Bridge Championships.*
- *The Board agreed that we should proceed with this agreement for the next 6 months and see how it works. We will review it at that time.*
- *The real hope is that this will help us in gaining some Corporate Sponsors.*

26.2 Instant Match Point Game

- *Janice will notify the ACBL that we are not proceeding nationally with this game right now but we do want to keep the right to hold such a game.*

26.3 Amateur Athletic Association

- *our main reason for trying to get this designation was so we could actually issue tax receipts to people who made donations to us.*

- Nader outlined the work done over the last one and a half years and all the paper work that was completed and submitted and how we appealed the original ruling. **Result: we have been denied this status.**

- This was denied because the Canada Revenue Agency ruled:

“Although the Applicant may operate on a nation-wide basis, it remains our view that bridge does not fall under the definition of amateur athletics for RCAA purposes.” The denial goes on to explain that they use a definition of “athletics” as “competitive activities requiring physical skill and endurance.”

Nader outlined how, even though this failed, we need to work on approaching Government in regards to getting sponsorship.

It was suggested that we need to set up a Committee to work on this.

- to gather ideas
- to formulate how to lobby for government change
- to open doors
- try local Members of Parliament .

We need to think of what people we know who are politically connected. This topic will be raised at the AGM to see if we can get some people to help form a committee.

27. OTHER BUSINESS

27.1 ACBL Hall of Fame

- it was noted that the ACBL has changed the wording so that the ACBL Hall of Fame Committee does not necessarily need to include a Canadian. As a result there is nothing to do at this time.

28. BUDGETS

28.1 General Fund Budget

MOTION 12-22: The 2012-2015 General Fund Budget is adopted as presented in Appendix B of these minutes.

MOVED by Kathie Macnab.

SECONDED by Neil Kimelman.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

28.2 International Fund Budget

MOTION 12-23: The 2012-2015 International Fund Budget be approved as presented in Appendix C of these minutes.

MOVED by Peter Morse.

SECONDED by Neil Kimelman.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

28.3 Junior Development Fund Budget

MOTION 12-24: The 2012 Junior Development Fund Budget be approved as presented in Appendix D of these minutes.

MOVED by Neil Kimelman.

**SECONDED by Kathie Macnab.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

29.0 ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

29.1 ELECTIONS

MOTION 12-25: Nader Hanna be elected as CBF President for the 2012/2013 term.

**MOVED by Peter Morse.
 SECONDED by Neil Kimelman.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION 12-26: Peter Morse be elected as Vice President for the 2012/2013 term.

**MOVED by Nader Hanna.
 SECONDED by Neil Kimelman.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION 12-27: Janice Anderson is re-elected as Executive Secretary for the 2012/2013 term.

**MOVED by Nader Hanna.
 SECONDED by Peter Morse.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION 12-28: Janice Anderson is re-elected as Treasurer for the 2012/2013 term.

**MOVED by Peter Morse.
 SECONDED by Nader Hanna.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

29.2 COMMITTEES AND ASSIGNMENTS

Committees:

CANADIAN BRIDGE CHAMPIONSHIPS	Janice Anderson, director of host Zone
NATIONAL EVENT COORDINATOR	Janice Anderson
PUBLICATION	Jude Goodwin, Francine Cimon, Janice Anderson
CONDUCT, DEPARTMENT & ETHICS	Nader Hanna -chair and the CBF Board
INTERNATIONAL EVENTS	Janice Anderson, Nader Hanna
CANADIAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE	Janice Anderson, George Retek
FRANCOPHONE SERVICES	Jean Castonguay
JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT	Nader Hanna, Bryan Maksymetz
TROPHIES	Janice Anderson
WEBSITE	Peter Morse, Jude Goodwin, Janice Anderson
INVESTMENT	Peter Morse, Nader Hanna, George Retek
SPONSORSHIP/FUND RAISING	CBF Zone Directors
MEMBERSHIP PROMOTION	Kathie Macnab, Neil Kimelman
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT SEARCH	CBF Zone Directors

Board Assignments:

- Translations - Janice Anderson
- Budget - Janice Anderson, Peter Morse
- Director Meeting - Janice Anderson, Nader Hanna
- Mexico Liaison - Nader Hanna, Janice Anderson
- WBF Liaison - Nader Hanna, George Retek

University Teams - Nader Hanna, Janice Anderson
CBF Regional -2013 - Jerry Mamer, Janice Anderson
-2014 - Nader Hanna

Conditions of Contest - Janice Anderson, Peter Morse, Nader Hanna

Hall of Fame - Nader Hanna, Neil Kimelman

Uniforms - Kathie Macnab

Membership Drive - Nader Hanna

30.0 NEXT MEETING & ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 12-29: The next meeting of the CBF Board of Directors will be in Toronto, ON, May 22 - 24, 2013, the three days prior to 2013 Canadian Bridge Championships.

MOVED by Peter Morse.

SECONDED by Neil Kimelman.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION 12-30: The meeting be adjourned at 4:15pm Friday, April 27, 2012.

MOVED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

NADER HANNA- PRESIDENT

JANICE ANDERSON - EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

MOTIONS PASSED BY EMAIL - MAY 2011 - APRIL 2012

APPENDIX A

Motion 1112-01: The CBF Board ratifies the following cash prizes awarded at the 2011 CBC.

CNTC-B: Glen Cossey - \$2000 - cheque #2744

CIPC: 1st Kelvin Raywood & Gray McMullin \$200 each - cheque #2746 & #2747

2nd Julie Smith & Susan Peters \$125 each - cheque #2748 & #2749

3rd David Sabourin & Jeff Smith \$75 each - cheque #2750 & #2751

COPC: 1st David Smith & Doran Flock \$1000 each - cheque #2766 & #2767

2nd Daniel Korbel & Danny Miles \$500 each - cheque #2768 & #2769

Moved by Peter Morse.

Seconded by Kathie Macnab.

CARRIED.

Motion 1112-02: The CBF Board ratifies Kamel Fergani as NPC of the 2011 Canadian Senior Team.

Moved by Jerry Mamer.

Seconded by Neil Kimelman.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Motion 1112-03: The CBF reimburse Jean Castonguay the fee he incurred when he had to cancel his air plane ticket to Regina for the CBF meetings.

Moved by Peter Morse.

Seconded by Neil Kimelman.

CARRIED

Motion 1112-04: The NPC report for the 2011 Canadian Bermuda Bowl team is accepted with thanks from John Carruthers.

Moved by Peter Morse.

Seconded by Kathie Macnab.

CARRIED.

Motion 1112-05: The 2010 Audited Financial statement is approved as distributed.

Moved by Jerry Mamer.

Seconded by Neil Kimelman.

CARRIED.

Motion 1112-06: The NPC report for the 2011 Canadian Venice Cup team is accepted with thanks from Nader Hanna.

Moved by Neil Kimelman.

Seconded by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTIONS PASSED BY EMAIL - MAY 2011 - APRIL 2012

APPENDIX A - CONTINUED

Motion 1112-07: The CBF repay the NPCs of our 2011 Canadian teams the out of pocket costs for recorders at the 2011 WBF World Team Championships.

Moved by Peter Morse.

Seconded by Neil Kimelman.

CARRIED.

Motion 1112-08: Kamel Fergani's NPC report for the 2011 Canadian Senior Team is accepted with thanks.

Moved by Peter Morse.

Seconded by Kathie Macnab.

CARRIED.

Date: January 31, 2012.

Motion 1112-09: The 2012 inductees to the Canadian Bridge Hall of Fame are:

- 1) Mark Molson - Silver Medal 1995 Bermuda Bowl, Bronze Medal 1990 Rosenblum, 7 NABCs and 7 CNTC wins**
- 2) Boris Baran - Gold Medal 2002 World Senior Teams, Silver Medal 1995 Bermuda Bowl, Bronze Medal 1990 Rosenblum, 5 NABC wins, 6 CNTC wins and 3 CSTC wins**
- 3) Peter Nagy – 2 Silver Medals (1978 and 1990 World Open Pairs), Bronze Medal (1982 Rosenblum), 4 NABC and 2 CNTC wins**
- 4) Bill Anderson - A Toronto actuary and a bridge player in the 1940's, he was the developer of the 5-3-1 scheme used by every single bridge player in the world**

MOVED by Kathie Macnab.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED.

Date: February 21, 2012

GENERAL FUND BUDGET

NOTE: EQUITY NOT TO GO BELOW \$80,000

APPENDIX B:

	2012	2013	2014	2015
REVENUE				
ADVERTISING	2100	2100	2160	2160
CBC	3000	3000	4000	4000
CNTC (net)	5500	5000	5000	5000
COPC (net)	8000	7000	5000	5000
CWTC (net)	200	150	50	50
ROOKIE-MASTER	750	750	1000	1000
CBF MEMBERSHIP	73000	72000	72000	72000
INTEREST	3000	3000	5000	5000
MISC.	0	0	0	0
STAC	15000	14000	12000	12000
SPONSORSHIP	0	0	10000	10000
LATE FEES	0	0	0	0
TOTAL REVENUE:	110550	107000	116210	116210
EXPENSES				
ACBL SERVICE FEE	5000	5000	5000	5000
AGM	500	500	600	600
AUDIT	4500	4800	5400	5400
AMORTIZATION	1650	1100	700	600
BANK CHARGES	200	200	200	200
BENEFITS (CPP/EI/WCB)	3800	3900	4000	4000
CBF COORDINATOR	42400	45000	46000	46000
CBF COOR. BONUS	1500	0	0	0
WAGES PAYABLE	985	1035	1060	1060
DIRECTOR EXPENSES	500	500	500	500
DIRECTOR MEETING	10000	10000	11000	11000
EDUCATIONAL	500	500	500	500
HALL OF FAME	2500	2000	2000	2000
INSURANCE	2700	2800	2900	2900
MISCELLANEOUS	1000	1000	1000	1000
OFFICE	7500	7500	7600	7600
OLYMPIC	500	1000	1000	1000
PUBLICATION	11500	12000	12000	12000
PROMOTION	1500	10500	10500	10500
SCREENS	500	500	500	500
SPONSORSHIP	1000	1000	1000	1000
TELEPHONE	1300	1300	1300	1300
TRANSLATIONS	500	500	500	500
VU-GRAPH	2000	2000	2000	2000
WEBSITE/INTERNET	5000	5000	5000	5000
ZONAL/CBF COMM.	1200	1200	1200	1200
TOTAL EXPENSES:	110235	120835	123460	123360
NET REVENUE:	315	-13835	-7250	-7150
FUND EQUITY - OPENING	119747	120062	106227	98977
FUND EQUITY - END	120062	106227	98977	91827

APPENDIX C:

INTERNATIONAL FUND BUDGET

EQUITY NOT TO GO BELOW \$50,000

	2012	2013	2014	2015
REVENUE				
CBC SURTAXES	8600	10000	10000	10000
GAME RECEIPTS	15000	15000	15000	15000
INTEREST	3000	3000	3000	3000
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0
REGIONAL	5800	10000	20000	15000
SPONSORSHIP	0	0	0	0
SWISS - CBC	2000	2000	1200	1200
TOTAL REVENUE:	34400	40000	49200	44200
EXPENSES				
BI-COUNTRY	--	10000	--	10000
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0
NATIONAL COACH	3500	3500	0	3500
SURTAXES - CBC	8600	10000	10000	10000
WORLD BRIDGE SERIES				
- ROSENBLUM	--	--	40500	--
- McCONNELL				
- RAND				
WORLD BRIDGE TEAM				
- BERMUDA BOWL	--	40500	--	40500
- VENICE CUP				
- SENIOR BOWL				
WORLD MIND SPORT				
- OPEN	40600	--	--	--
- WOMEN				
- SENIOR				
UNIFORMS	2800	3000	3000	3000
TOTAL EXPENSES:	55500	67000	53500	67000
NET REVENUE:	-21100	-27000	-4300	-22800
FUND EQUITY- OPENING	121927	100827	73827	69527
FUND EQUITY - CLOSING	100827	73827	69527	46727

JUNIOR FUND BUDGET

	2012	2013
REVENUE		
GAMES & DONATIONS	700	0
JUNIOR MONTH	5800	0
OTHER MONTHS	4000	0
INTEREST	2500	0
MISC.	0	0
TOTAL REVENUE:	13000	0
EXPENSES		
SPECIAL PROJECTS	1000	0
COACHING	5000	0
JUNIOR TRIALS	0	0
MISC.	50	0
TEAM SUBSIDIES		
-under 28 WMSG	0	0
-WSTC	20000	0
-WYTC	20000	0
-UNIVERSITY TEAM	0	0
UNIFORMS	1750	0
TOTAL EXPENSES:	47800	0
NET REVENUE:	-34800	0
FUND EQUITY - OPENING	104007	69207
FUND EQUITY - CLOSING	69207	69207

NOTE: Beginning January 1, 2013 the ACBL will collect all revenue from Junior Fund games in Canada and the CBF will submit to them a budget for funding.