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**CBF Board of Directors  
Conference Call Minutes  
November 14, 2017**

**Present:**

**Jerry Mamer, Director Zone V**  
**Nader Hanna, President and Director Zone III**  
**Angela Fenton, Director Zone VI**  
**Kathie Macnab, Vice-President and Director Zone I**  
**Cathy Walsh, Treasurer**

**Call to Order**

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 2:05pm.

**1. Accounting**

- Introduce Cathy Walsh, our new accounting manager ([accounting@cbf.ca](mailto:accounting@cbf.ca)). Please email Cathy with any questions, concerns.
- Budget beginning of year. Quarterly statements.

**2. August 25<sup>th</sup> Conference Call**

**Motion 1718CC7: To accept the minutes of the August 25<sup>th</sup> conference call.**

**Moved by: Jerry Mamer**

**Seconded by: Kathie Macnab**

**Carried**

- Business arising – the CBF will not provide uniforms for the open year World Bridge Championships.

**3. New Director for Zone 2**

- 2 candidates expressed interest. Nader will contact Jean Castonguay to get more information about the candidates and distribute to the Board for an email vote.
- When we have a new Director for Zone 2 -- one of his urgent priorities is to decide the zone 2 charity grants before the end of the year.

#### **4. Captains Report**

- Steve Mackay has submitted a report for the Women's teams at the WBF. We will ask for more information to be included in terms of standings, training etc.
- Ina will contact Steve to discuss.

#### **5. Conditions of Contest**

- Nader suggested that we follow the WBF approach of having a set of General Conditions of Contest which describe conditions that seldom change from one year to another, and Supplementary CoCs that describe conditions that apply for the specific year. However, for this year we will just modify last years' CoC.
- Some suggested changes to the CoC are:
  - Instead of trying to address all possibilities in the CoC, we should describe the basic format and reserve the right to modify the event format and/or duration if the number of teams is too low or too high.
  - Reserve the right to cancel the event if there are fewer than 6 teams registered.
  - Since this is an Open year, and we may have fewer teams than usual, and since we have no requirement to send a team in any category, any team championship (CNTC A, CNTC B, CNTC C, CWTC or CSTC) with fewer than 6 entries shall be cancelled (in the case of the CNTC B and CNTC C the two events may be combined).
  - If we don't have enough Senior or Women's teams to hold CSTC or CWTC, teams will have the option of paying the difference in entry fee and entering the CNTC A. Affected CWTC and/or CSTC teams will have until Mar 25 to decide if they wish to exercise such option.
  - In any team event a minimum of 6 teams is required to hold a semi final stage.
  - In the CNTC A, the minimum number required to hold a quarter final stage is 10 teams.

**Motion 1718CC8: To institute a minimum of 6 teams to hold any event at the 2018 CBC.**

**Moved by: Jerry Mamer**

**Seconded by: Angela Fenton**

**Carried, Kathie Macnab against**

#### **6. Scent Free Policy**

- The ACBL does not have scent free policy.
- In the past the CBF has followed the local scent policy but it is time that the CBF has it's own consistent scent free policy.
- Kathie Macnab will provide suggested wording to be included in our tournament flyers and on the CBF website.

**Motion 1718CC9: That the CBF adopt a scent free policy and include it on tournament flyers.**

**Moved by: Angela Fenton**

**Seconded by: Kathie Macnab**

**Carried, Kathie Macnab**

#### **7. Lifetime Achievement Award**

- If anyone has a potential candidate, please submit for the Board to consider.

**Motion 1718CC10: To adjourn the meeting at 3:19pm Eastern.**

**Moved by: Nader Hanna**