

MINUTES of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Bridge Federation Incorporated held at the Delta Meadowvale Hotel & Conference Centre Mississauga, Ontario February 8 - 10, 2006

PRESENT: Mike Hartop - Zone I Director and Vice President

Jean Castonguay - Zone II Director

James Priebe - substituting for Zone III Director, Nader Hanna

Francis Gaudino - Zone IV Director Peter Morse - Zone VI Director

Janice Anderson - Executive Assistant, Executive Secretary and Treasurer

George Retek - ex-officio Director - District 1 Jonathan Steinberg - ex-officio Director District 2

Richard Anderson - ex-officio Director - District 18 and designated voting member for Zone V.

Mike Hartop, as CBF Vice 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.

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

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

1.0 CALL TO ORDER & AGENDA

At 8:45 a.m. the Vice President called the meeting to order.

Mike Hartop welcomed all directors back to another meeting of the CBF Board and welcomed Zone VI Director, Peter Morse, to his first meeting.

Janice Anderson read a message from ACBL President, Harriette Buckman.

"A little bird told me that the CBF was going to meet this week.

I wold like to send a message of good luck and good will to the administrators and members of the CBF. It is our love of the game of bridge that encourages the giving of our time and personal resources to its continuation and betterment. In all the activities in which you are engaged, may you be successful. Let's raise a glass to the bright future of our beloved pastime."

The Board unanimously expressed their appreciation for Harriette's kind words.

2.0 CORPORATE MATTERS

2.1 CONFIRMATION OF ELECTIONS

Janice Anderson reported the following election results for 2005.

Nader Hanna was elected by acclamation as Zone III Director for the Term of January 1, 2006 - December 31, 2008

Peter Morse was elected by acclamation as Zone VI Director for the Term of January 1, 2005 - December 31, 2008.

MOTION 06-1: The election of Nader Hanna and Peter Morse are ratified by the Board.

MOVED by Francis Gaudino.

SECONDED by Jean Castonguay.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2.2 UPCOMING ELECTIONS

Joe Kerger has resigned his position as Zone V Director and the position is now vacant. The CBF will put out a call for Nominations and an election will be held to fill the vacancy. Jan will try and get some one in place by the fall.

This fall, elections will be conducted in Zones I and IV. Nominations are being accepted until September 30, 2006.

Both Mike Hartop and Francis Gaudino confirmed that they intend to stand for re-election.

Successful candidates will begin their term on January 1, 2007. A Call for Candidates will run in the August 2006 issue of Bridge Canada. Units and 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 2005 meeting was held on June 4, 2005 in Montreal at the 2005 Canadian Bridge Week. The meeting went well but only 13 people from five different zones attended the meeting. There was no one from Zone I at the meeting.

The minutes of the 2005 AGM were reviewed by the Board.

The 2006 AGM will be held in Mississauga on Saturday, Feb. 18, 2006 beginning at 9:00am. The Posters advertising the meeting will be placed in the playing area.

The Board confirmed its intent to continue holding the CBF Annual General Meeting on the second Saturday morning of Bridge Week. Thus the 2007 AGM will be held on the second Saturday of Bridge Week 2007.

3.0 CBF BYLAWS

The question of having a CBF Counsel was raised and discussed.

MOTION 06-2: Include in the General Fund Budget \$1000 for honorarium for legal counsel.

The President will select the lawyer.

MOVED by Jim Priebe.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED.

4.0 MINUTES OF THE 2005 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

4.1 May 25 - 27, 2005 CBF Board Meeting

4.2 Conference Calls - October 13, 2005 & December 22, 2005.

4.3 Actions done by Email Vote

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

MOTION 06-3: Minutes of the last meeting and of the conference calls along with email motions, as presented in Appendix A of these minutes, are approved.

MOVED by Francis Gaudino.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

5.1 To Do List

Janice Anderson explained that due to the earliness of these meetings and Bridge Week there just was not enough time to maintain and regularly email out a "To Do List".

6.0 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Due to the earliness of these meetings, it was impossible to have Audited Financial Statements. Janice Anderson presented her preliminary financial statements for 2005.

MOTION 06-4: The Board acknowledges receipt of preliminary figures subject to Audit.

MOVED by Peter Morse.

SECONDED by Jean Castonguay.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7.0 MEMBERSHIP

Discussion took place on the dwindling number of members paying CBF membership dues.

In 2005 6,105 Canadian ACBL members did not pay CBF dues. This is an increase of nearly 3,000 over 2004 numbers.

The ACBL membership renewal form is the best we are going to get. The website renewal has also been improved. Throughout 2005 all renewals included the CBF membership insert urging members to include CBF dues when renewing ACBL memberships.

George Retek felt that we should ask the ACBL to have their auditor do a spot check on CBF membership payments when auditing the ACBL accounts.

MOTION 06-5: Effective July 1, 2006 CBF membership fees are increased to \$12 a year with \$1.50 per member going to the International Fund and \$1.50 per member going to the Junior Fund. Junior memberships (25 and under) and new member memberships will be \$8 a year.

MOVED by Dick Anderson.

SECONDED by Jean Castonguay.

MOTION 06-6: Effective July 1, 2006 the fee for CBF membership paid directly to the CBF office is increased to \$15.00.

MOVED by Dick Anderson.

SECONDED by Jim Priebe.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

It was agreed that all CBF directors need to do whatever they can to promote CBF membership in their Zones. This can be done through publications, meetings and talks at tournaments.

MOTION 06-7: The CBF will discontinue placing inserts into ACBL membership renewals.

MOVED by Jim Priebe.

SECONDED by Francis Gaudino.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Janice Anderson reported that we were able to get our membership numbers up to the WBF requirement by having teachers submit numbers of students involved in School Bridge Lessons. Thanks to Flo Belford, John Gillespie, Carole Berry, Ed O'Reilly and the Montreal Bridge League for providing us with the School names and number of students.

MOTION 06-8: Motion 05-32 "The CBF will create a new special Youth Student membership which will be offered to students under 20 who are taking school bridge lessons. The fee will be \$1.00 a year. Bridge Canada will be mailed to the teacher of the students and not directly to each individual student." is rescinded.

MOVED by Dick Anderson.

SECONDED by Jim Priebe.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION 06-9: The CBF establish a special Youth Student membership for youth enrolled in School Bridge classes. The special Youth Student membership is offered at no cost and without Bridge Canada.

MOVED by Jim Priebe.

SECONDED by Jean Castonguay.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8.0 ACBL MATTERS

Janice Anderson outlined what fees we are currently paying the ACBL.

- 4% of membership fees collected is taken off by ACBL to cover cost of this service.
- \$1,100 US is paid annually to cover all other services provided by ACBL.

9.0 BRIDGE CANADA

Discussion took place on how we need to increase the content for new players and club players in our publication.

Discussion also took place on whether or not the publication should be on the internet where people can view it without being CBF members.

Is Bridge Canada a benefit of being a paid up CBF member?

MOTION 06-10: We will add four pages (2 English & 2 French) of Beginner/Intermediate material to each Bridge Canada. The CBF will pay up to \$100 per page to contributors to this page.

The CBF Board will actively recruit people to write these articles.

MOVED by Jim Priebe.

SECONDED by Dick Anderson.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION 06-11: Janice Anderson is authorized to increase the French editor honorarium if she has to translate extra pages for the Beginner/Intermediate material.

MOVED by Dick Anderson.

SECONDED by Francis Gaudino.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION 06-12: Bridge Canada will no longer be posted on the CBF website.

MOVED by Jim Priebe.

SECONDED by Dick Anderson.

FOR: 2 OPPOSED: 3 MOTION DEFEATED.

MOTION 06-13: Bridge Canada not be posted on the website until one month after hard copies have been mailed to paid up members.

MOVED by Francis Gaudino.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED.

All literature about benefits of CBF membership will be changed so that they indicate a benefit of CBF membership is a hard copy of Bridge Canada.

MOTION 06-14: The CBF will ask Jude Goodwin to adopt a policy of acknowledging all submission and the status of any articles submitted.

MOVED by Jim Priebe.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED.

Peter Morse will ensure articles on Bridge Week are submitted to Jude Goodwin.

Dick Anderson will ensure articles on the World Championships are submitted to Jude Goodwin.

No changes were made to the publication schedule.

10.0 INTERNET

Jude Goodwin reported that she was happy with the current set up for updating and maintaining the CBF website.

Jude Goodwin also suggested the idea of a CBF store and CBF membership renewals on the website.

MOTION 06-15: We maintain the status quo with our website and not add a store or membership renewal process.

MOVED by Dick Anderson.

SECONDED by Francis Gaudino.

MOTION 06-16: The 2006 honorarium for the French webmaster be \$600.

MOVED by Peter Morse. SECONDED by Francis Gaudino. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

It was agreed that the website should be reviewed regularly to ensure that updates are made when necessary and that out of date material is removed.

Francis Gaudino agreed to be in charge of website review. Francis will email Jan anything he finds and Jan will contact Jude. If any Board member noticing something that needs fixing on the website, they should contact Jan.

11.0 CBF STAC

Since the 2006 CBF STAC is after these meetings, no report is possible at this time.

MOTION 06-17: The sanction fee for the CBF STAC be raised to \$9 per table effective with the 2007 STAC.

MOVED by Dick Anderson. SECONDED by Francis Gaudino. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The CBF STAC will continue to start on the third Monday of February.

12.0 CANADIAN ROOKIE-MASTER GAMES

Winners of the 2005 Erin Berry Rookie-Master Game were: M. Kearsley & John Valliant of Ottawa.

Future Dates: 2006 Helen Shields - Thursday, April 27, 2006 2006 Erin Berry - Wednesday, October 25, 2006 2007 Helen Shields - Monday, April 23, 2007 2007 Erin Berry - Tuesday, October 20, 2007

The problem of finding people to do the analysis was discussed. Janice Anderson pointed out that in the past the Zone Directors would come to the meeting with names of people in their area willing to take on the task. It was also pointed out that it is very important that those doing the analysis make sure that the write-ups are geared for the Rookie player.

Discussion took place on whether or not the master point limit for the rookie should be changed. Currently it is 20 master points.

MOTION 06-18: The cut-off for the Rookie in the Canada Rookie-Master games be increased to 50 master points. Effective with the 2006 Erin Berry Rookie-Master game.

MOVED by Francis Gaudino. SECONDED by Peter Morse. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

13.0 CBF INTERNATIONAL FUND REGIONAL

13.1 2006 Mississauga

Jim Priebe reported on the plans for the 2006 Regional which is being held in conjunction with Bridge Week.

The CBF Board of Directors extended their gratitude to Jim Priebe for chairing both Bridge Week and the CBF International Fund Regional.

13.2 Future Regionals

2007 Montreal Feb. 27 - March 4, 2007

2008 Victoria *March 24 - 30, 2008.*

Peter Morse will check with Doug Fraser and Victoria Unit as to who is Chairing the 2008 CBF International Fund Regional. Peter will also follow up on whether the sanction has been applied for by District 19.

2009 & 2010

Suggestions for 2009 were: Niagara, St. Catharines, London - the board will ask Nader Hanna to investigate the possibility of a location in Zone III for the 2009 International Fund Regional.

Edmonton was suggested as a possible site for 2010.

14.0 SCREENS

Discussion took place on the proto-type screen that Jim Priebe has made. The screen will be used at one table during Bridge Week and Jim will gather input from players on what they think of the screens.

MOTION 06-19: Subject to player feedback, proceed with making 60 screens. Estimated cost is \$2000 for materials and boxes.

MOVED by Jim Priebe.

SECONDED by Francis Gaudino.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Once we have the new screens they will be used for all sessions of all events at Bridge Week.

15.0 CANADIAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE

2006 Canadian Olympic Committee meetings are scheduled for April 28 - 30, 2006 in Quebec City.

Jean Castonguay will represent the CBF at these meetings.

16.0 JUNIOR BRIDGE

16.1 Junior Fund Games

Reviewed the numbers for dollars raised by Junior Fund Games.

16.2 2005 World Youth Team Championship

Canadian team of:

Jonathan Steinberg, NPC

Gavin Wolpert, Vincent Demuy, David Grainger, Daniel Lavee, Charles Halasi, Tim Capes won the Bronze medal.

16.3 Junior Trials

Discussed John Carruthers report on the trials.

Confirmed that it is alright to add a player or players to the World Schools team even if they did not take part in the trials.

Francis Gaudino will set up a meeting with John Carruthers this week to discuss various aspects of his Junior Manager report.

MOTION 06-20: John Carruthers report can be revisited any time before the end of Bridge Week.

MOVED by Peter Morse.

SECONDED by Francis Gaudino.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION 06-21: The report on the Junior Trials submitted by John Carruthers is not accepted by the CBF Board of Directors and is expunged from the records.

MOVED by Jim Priebe.

SECONDED by Jean Castonguay.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

16.4 2006 Word Youth and World School Championship

July 29 - August 8, 2006 Bangkok, Thailand

Youth team: John Carruthers, NPC

Daniel Korbel, Susan Korbel, Erin Anderson, Samantha Nystrom and two players yet to be named.

Schools team: John Carruthers, NPC

Rob Macaulay, coach

Hershel Macaulay, Ethan Macaulay, Aled Iaboni, Anton Blagov, Malcolm McColl

Tentative budget:

Airfare: 33,650

Lodging:

 Youth:
 7,560

 Schools:
 3,150

 Entries:
 1,760

 Total:
 46,120

16.5 University Team Championship

Nothing has happened in last couple of years with the Canadian University championships.

World University Championships

Tianjin, China - October 22 - 26, 2006

Canadian Trials set to run on BBO.

- Mike Hartop will direct and set up the trials
- Monitors are needed for each participant:

Jonathan Steinberg will arrange for 3 in Toronto area and 1 in Waterloo

Dick Anderson will arrange for 3 in Regina

Peter Morse will arrange for one in Victoria

George Retek and Jean Castonguay will arrange for monitors in Montreal and Ottawa.

Rules on UNDO: in bidding where obvious mis-bid. Allowed and can only be done by director. No "undos" for cards played.

Reviewed Conditions of Contest:

- remove point about master point awards for now
- add Judy Gartaganis to list of Selection Committee

MOTION 06-22: The World University Team Report and Conditions of Contest are ratified with noted changes.

MOVED by Dick Anderson.

SECONDED by Jim Priebe.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

George Retek contacted the ACBL and they have agreed to award master points for our Canadian University Team trials. The points will be 80% of Regional rating. Janice Anderson will apply for an ACBL sanction for this event.

We need to find a suitable NPC for the World University Team. Some suggested names are:

Barry Pritchard, Edmonton

Aidan Ballantyne, Vancouver

Paul Thurston, St. Catharines

Richard Anderson, Regina

Nick and/or Judith Gartaganis, Calgary

Janice Anderson will contact the above people along with any other suitable candidates that she can think of. A list of potential NPCs will made from those willing to take on the job. Once Jan has this list, the Board will vote on who will be named NPC.

16.6 2007 Canadian Junior Trials

Will be held in Montreal in August during the Montreal Regional.

This will be a joint Trials to select a World Youth and a World Schools Team.

Pre-registration will be required. Registration fee is \$100.

Francis Gaudino is to get plans formalized and have them written up for the September 2006 Bridge Canada. Conditions of Contest should also be ready for Board approval at that time.

16.7 JUNIOR MANAGER

MOTION 06-23: John Carruthers report is received with thanks.

MOVED by Francis Gaudino. SECONDED by Peter Morse. CARRIED.

16.8 FUTURE WORLD JUNIOR EVENTS

2008 should again see the World Youth Team Championship, World Schools Team Championship and the World University Team Championship.

16.9 MULTI-YEAR PLAN

It was agreed that we need to compile a current list of all Junior players in Canada. We must also get more materials to them on a regular basis.

MOTION 06-24: The CBF approves the concept of setting up Canadian Youth mini-tournaments on BBO followed by Question and Answer periods with a paid teacher. To start with these will run once a month.

MOVED by Dick Anderson. SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Francis Gaudino will oversee this project and get it up and running in the next couple of months.

It was agreed that we need to develop a formalized training program. This plan must have concrete plans and a framework for implementing them.

17. ERIN BERRY MEMORIAL FUND

2005 Grants:

\$ 851 to six youth players for help in attending the Fredericton Regional \$2,001 to four youth players for help in attending the 2005 Junior Team Trials.

At this time we do not have any requests but it was agreed that funds will be used to help eligible players going to Bangkok.

18.0 BRIDGE WEEK

18.1 2005 Bridge Week - Montreal

Attendance: CNTC-A 22 (maximum)

CNTC-B 14 (maximum)

CWTC 14 (maximum would have been 22)

COPC 23.5 Day 1 and 14 Day 2

CIPC 22.5 tables

CSTC 11 Day 1; 8 Day 2; 4 Day 3; 2 Day 4

Financial outcome: Profit of \$22,177.78

18.2 2006 Mississauga

All is going fine and we are expecting a great tournament.

There will be hospitality every night in the Halton Suite from 11 - midnight.

Entries: CNTC-A 22 (max) CNTC-B 12 CWTC - 8

Entries for the CWTC are very disappointing.

Need some board help in setting up the screens on Friday - late afternoon.

MOTION 06-25: The CBF authorizes the sale of T-shirts at Bridge Week.

20% of sales will go to CBF.

MOVED by Jim Priebe.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

It was agreed that screens should be used in the COPC.

18.3 2007

Discussion took place on where the 2007 Bridge Week should be held.

The Board examined the proposals for playing space and lodging in both Winnipeg and Thunder Bay.

MOTION 06-26: Thunder Bay be awarded the 2007 Bridge Week.

MOVED by Francis Gaudino.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

FOR: 1 OPPOSED: 3 ABSTAIN: 1

MOTION DEFEATED.

MOTION 06-27: Winnipeg be awarded the 2007 Bridge Week.

MOVED by Dick Anderson.

SECONDED by Jean Castonguay.

FOR: 3 OPPOSED: 1 ABSTAIN: 1

MOTION IS CARRIED

18.4 Future Bridge Weeks

MOTION 06-28: Bridge Week will always be held either the last week of May or first week of June.

MOVED by Dick Anderson.

SECONDED by Jean Castonguay.

FOR: 4 OPPOSED: 1

MOTION IS CARRIED.

2008 - Ouebec City

Jean Castonguay will make a trip to Quebec City and see if he can come up with a suitable and financially doable site. The Board will review this once Jean has checked out various facilities.

2009

MOTION 06-29: 2009 Bridge Week be held in Penticton, BC.

MOVED by Peter Morse. SECONDED by Dick Anderson. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2010

MOTION 06-30: 2010 Bridge Week be held in Moncton, NB.

MOVED by Dick Anderson. SECONDED by Peter Morse. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

It was suggested that when investigating any site for Bridge Week, the local Convention Bureau should be contacted.

Discussed the possibility of adding a Mixed Pairs or Mixed Teams event to Bridge Week. No action was taken on this.

19.0 CANADIAN OPEN PAIRS

19.1 2005 National Final

Day 1: 23.5 tables; Day 2: 14 tables

Winners: 1. Waldemar Frukacz & Pierre Daigneault

2. Ken Scholes & Peter Herald

Screens were NOT used for the event.

19.2 2006 National Final

Scheduled for here in Mississauga. Will take place on the Friday and Saturday.

We are hoping for a good turnout.

Prize for winners: \$4000 towards attending the Open Pairs at the 2007 Open European Championships
- winners will be given \$2000 up front as a prize and the remaining \$2000 after they attend the 2007 Open European Championships.

19.3 2007 National Final

Scheduled for Bridge Week 2007 which is now set for Winnipeg. Prize will be \$4000 towards attending the Open Pairs at the 2009 European Open Championships.

19.4 Conditions of Contest

Add note on Stratification to Conditions of Contest and to the Sanction application sheet.

- Games may be stratified using whatever strats a club wishes but Qualification is based only on the A strat.

MOTION 06-31: Beginning in 2007 the entry fees for the CIPC and COPC be increased to \$20 per player/per session.

MOVED by Dick Anderson. SECONDED by Jim Priebe. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Prizes: 2006 - 2007 European Open Championship

2007 - 2009 European Open Championship

2008 - 2009 European Open Championship

2009 - 2010 World Championships

20.0 CANADIAN WOMEN'S TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

20.1 2005 National Final

- 14 teams took part. (Only 3 from Zone II)

Winners: Francine Cimon, Linda Lee, Dianna Gordon, Beverly Kraft, Barbara Clinton, Joan Eaton

20.2 2006 National Final

- We have only 8 teams registered
 - only 3 are from Zone III
 - there are actually players from every Zone represented on the teams

20.3 Conditions of Contest

MOTION 06-32: The maximum field of the CWTC National Final be reduced to 16 teams and the

Quarter Final is eliminated. Breakdown of teams is:

Zones I, IV, V & VI: 2 teams each

Zones II & III: 4 teams each

MOVED by Francis Gaudino.

SECONDED by Jim Priebe.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

21.0 CANADIAN NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

21.1 2005 National Final

Took place in Montreal. Flight A - 22 teams; Flight B - 14 teams (first time we've had the max.)

Winners: Flight A: John Carruthers, George Mittelman, Joseph Silver, Allan Graves,

Arno Hobart, Boris Baran

Flight B: Marielle Brentnall, Jerry Cohen, Barb Lillie, Robert Neudorf

21.2 2006 National Final

Taking place in Mississauga. Flight A - 22 teams; Flight B - 12 teams (no Zone I teams)

21.3 Subsidy Policy and Zone Assessments

No changes were made to either the subsidy policy or zone assessments.

21.4 Conditions of Contest

Discussed the suggestion of increasing the cut off for the Rookie in a Rookie-Master CNTC game from 200 to 1000. No action was taken on this.

MOTION 06-33: Beginning with the 2007 CNTC-B, the maximum master point holding allowed be increased to 1500.

MOVED by Jim Priebe.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Zone Coordinators

Janice Anderson emphasized the need for strong Zone Coordinators. All Zone Directors should submit the names and contact information for their zone coordinators by the end of August.

Zone Conditions of Contest

Discussion took place on how we could regulate the Conditions of Contest for the Zone Final. It was stressed that all Zone Directors need to be in consultation with their Zone Coordinators when deciding on the format of the Zone Final. The sanction application when submitted to the National Coordinator must contain information on the format of the Zone Final.

22.0 CANADIAN IMP PAIRS

The first CIPC was held here in St. Catharines. We had 23 tables in play.

In Montreal in 2005 we had 22.5 tables.

Winners: 1. Thomas Gandolfo & Robert Crosby

- 2. Andre Chartrand & Serge Chevalier
- 3. Michael Gamble & Doug Fraser

23.0 CANADIAN SENIOR TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

- Last year in Montreal we had the following entries:
 - Day 1: 11 teams Day 2: 8 teams Day 3: 4 teams Day 4: 2 teams
- This year in Mississauga we are hoping for even bigger turnouts. We will again have the format of having four teams on Day 3 and two on Day 4.
- Last year we received a lot of feedback from players who were unhappy with the "Drop In" regulations. The majority of players did not feel that a team should be allowed to drop into the semi-finals bumping a team that had already competed for two days in the event.

MOTION 06-34: No "drop in" teams allowed after Day 2 in the CSTC.

MOVED by Jean Castonguay. SECONDED by Jim Priebe. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION 06-35: 5th and 6th players, who have pre-registered on a Senior Team, may join the Senior team at any point in the CSTC when they are eliminated from their other Bridge Week event.

MOVED by Dick Anderson.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

MOTION 06-36: A Senior team that only has three available players on Day 1 (or Day 2 if a "Drop In" team) must play with a substitute until their other teammates are eliminated from the other Bridge Week event(s).

MOVED by Peter Morse.

SECONDED by Jean Castonguay.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION 06-37: A Senior Pair awaiting a "drop-in" pair may not enter the CSTC as a "drop-in" team. They must find more players and enter the event from the start.

MOVED by Jim Priebe.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION 06-38: At least 50% of the Day 1 field will qualify for Day 2.

MOVED by Francis Gaudino.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION 06-39: The entry fee for the CSTC is increased to \$220 per team per day. This entry fee includes a \$100 IF Surtax.

MOVED by Dick Anderson.

SECONDED by Jim Priebe.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

24.0 TRANSLATIONS

Janice reported that Gérard Côté has agreed to continue as CBF Translator. Gérard is also the French Webmaster.

The CBF expressed its appreciation of all the work *Gérard* does for the CBF.

25.0 INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

25.1 International Fund Games

The new International Fund games at Sectionals are a tremendous source of revenue. All directors should be advertising this and urging their Units to take advantage of it.

In 2005 the following Sectionals held IF games:

Montreal - one sectional \$464

Regina - three sectionals \$514

Thunder Bay - one sectional \$ 74

25.2 2005 Bermuda Bowl/Venice Cup/Senior Cup

NPC report was received from Venice Cup team and ratified by email.

NPC report for Bermuda Bowl was just faxed to this hotel.

Discussed the Wu letter about Venice Cup withdrawing from their match. The Board decided not to put in rules in place that govern the minimum number of boards to be played before a team can withdraw from a KO match at a World event.

MOTION 06-40: The NPC report for the Bermuda Bowl team is accepted with thanks.

MOVED by Francis Gaudino. SECONDED by Jean Castonguay. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

25.3 2006 World Championships

June 9 - 24, 2006 in Verona, Italy

There are no quotas but all participants must register with their NBO. Notice on how to register is on the website and in Bridge Canada. All events are transnational.

All Canadians will be verified for CBF membership and will only be nominated if they are paid up CBF members.

MOTION 06-41: The Canadian teams going to the 2006 World Championships are not required to augment to 6 players nor are they required to have NPCs.

MOVED by Dick Anderson.

SECONDED by Francis Gaudino.

FOR: 4 OPPOSED: 1 MOTION IS CARRIED.

25.4 2006 Commonwealth Games

- March 7 12, 2006 Melbourne, Australia
- unfortunately Canada will not be represented at this event

Mike Hartop will write a letter of apology to the Australian Bridge Federation over what transpired with the Canadian entry for the Commonwealth Games event.

25.5 Future World Events

- 2007 Bermuda Bowl/Venice Cup & Senior Cup Sept. 29 Oct.13, 2007 in Shanghai, China \$185 US a night at host hotel
- 2008 Beijing, China World Team Olympiad probably sometime after the Olympics
- 2009 Bermuda Bowl/Venice Cup/Senior Cup could be in October in San Paulo, Brazil

25.6 Subsidies

The Board is committed to equal funding for the Open, Women's and Senior Teams.

The Board is committed to trying to find ways to increase team subsidies.

MOTION 06-42: The subsidy for the Open, Women's and Senior Teams going to the 2006 World Championships in Verona will be \$15,000 per team.

MOVED by Francis Gaudino.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY,

MOTION 06-43: There will be no subsidized coaching for the 2006 Canadian teams.

MOVED by Dick Anderson.

SECONDED by Jean Castonguay.

25.7 Motion to Change Bermuda Bowl & Venice Cup Qualification Rules

The new regulations are that Canada must send teams to all three World Junior events and bring our membership up to 17,000.

Currently we are sending teams to all three Junior events and we registered 2,435 school bridge students in order to bring our membership up to the required number.

25.8 NPC Duties & Responsibilities

Discussed the question of "How do we get NPCs to preform all their duties?"

This will go on the agenda for next year's meeting where we will also discuss what teams must have NPCs.

25.9 CBF Fundraiser

Nader Hanna would like to pursue Fund Raising. He needs answers to a couple of questions:

- How can we get updated demographic information for him? Last we have is from 1995
- What can we offer a sponsor? Would we be able to give our membership list to a sponsor?

MOTION 06-44: If it is necessary in negotiating for a substantial sponsor to release our membership list, excluding those on "No Release" list, the CBF Board would authorize this as long as it does not go against any ACBL rules.

MOVED by Jim Priebe.

SECONDED by Dick Anderson.

FOR: 3 OPPOSED: 2

MOTION IS CARRIED.

MOTION 06-45: The CBF will ask the ACBL to redo the Canadian Demographic Survey the next time they are conducting a membership survey.

MOVED by Jim Priebe.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

George Retek and Dick Anderson will talk to the ACBL about this survey.

26.0 CBF COORDINATOR AND OFFICE

Executive Assistant, Janice Anderson, left the meeting at this point while the Board reviewed her contract.

MOTION 06-46: The COLA clause in the CBF Executive Assistant Contract is hereby backdated to January 1, 2006 and will be applied each January 1 in subsequent years.

MOVED by Jim Priebe.

SECONDED by Jean Castonguay.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION 06-47: Janice Anderson is authorized to spend up to \$2000 on a new photo-copier.

MOVED by Francis Gaudino.

SECONDED by Jim Priebe.

27.0 OTHER BUSINESS

27.1 Jude Goodwin Letter

In a letter to the CBF Board Jude Goodwin raised three questions:

A) Would the CBF Board consider forming a Canadian Bridge Teacher's Association?

MOTION 06-48: The CBF not proceed with setting up a Canadian Bridge Teacher's Association at this time.

MOVED by Jim Priebe.

SECONDED by Jean Castonguay.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

B) Permission for the CBF logo to be used on certificates given to students completing bridge classes given by accredited teachers. Perhaps even a free one year membership to graduating students.

MOTION 06-49: Permission to use the CBF logo is not granted.

MOVED by Francis Gaudino.

SECONDED by Jim Priebe.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C) Does the CBF have a mission statement?

MOTION 06-50: The CBF begin the process of developing a Mission Statement as to our purpose.

MOVED by Peter Morse.

SECONDED by Jim Priebe.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Francis Gaudino volunteered to begin this process.

27.2 Financial Planning Presentations

During the course of the three day meeting, the CBF Board of Directors had two presentations on Financial planning and investing strategy. One presentation was given by Andy Altay, the other by Nicholas L'Ecuyer.

MOTION 06-51: The CBF Board will set up a sub-committee to look into CBF investment strategies and report back to the board with recommendations by the end of May. This sub-committee will consist of Peter Morse, Nader Hanna and George Retek. MOVED by Jim Priebe.

SECONDED by Jean Castonguay.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

28.0 BUDGETS

28.1 General Fund Budget

MOTION 06-52: The General Fund bench mark be adjusted to \$80,000.

MOVED by Dick Anderson.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

MOTION 06-53: The 2006 - 2008 General Fund Budget is adopted as presented in Appendix B of these minutes.

MOVED by Dick Anderson.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

28.2 International Fund Budget

MOTION 06-54: The International Fund bench mark be adjusted to \$40,000.

MOVED by Peter Morse.

SECONDED by Francis Gaudino.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

 $MOTION\,06\text{-}55\text{:}\ The\,2006\text{-}2009\,International}\ Fund\,Budget\ be\ approved\ as\ presented\ in\ Appendix$

C of these minutes.

MOVED by Peter Morse.

SECONDED by Francis Gaudino.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

28.3 Junior Development Fund Budget

MOTION 06-56: The 2006 - 2009 Junior Development Fund Budget be approved as presented in

Appendix D of these minutes.

MOVED by Francis Gaudino.

SECONDED by Jean Castonguay.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

29.0 ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

29.1 ELECTIONS

MOTION 06-57: Mike Hartop be elected as CBF President for the 2006/2007 term.

MOVED by Francis Gaudino.

SECONDED Jean Castonguay.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION 06-58: Francis Gaudino be elected as Vice President for the 2006/2007 term.

MOVED by Jean Castonguay.

SECONDED by Jim Priebe.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION 06-59: Janice Anderson is re-elected as Executive Secretary for the 2006/2007 term.

MOVED by Francis Gaudino.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION 06-60: Janice Anderson is re-elected as Treasurer for the 2006/2007 term.

MOVED by Francis Gaudino.

SECONDED by Peter Morse.

29.2 COMMITTEES AND ASSIGNMENTS

MOTION 06-61: The Conduct & Ethics Committee for the 2006 Bridge Week will be Mike Hartop, Jean Castonguay and Dick Anderson.

MOVED by Francis Gaudino. SECONDED by Peter Morse. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Committees:

BRIDGE WEEK Janice Anderson, director of host Zone

NATIONAL EVENT COORDINATOR Janice Anderson

PUBLICATION Jude Goodwin, Martine Lacroix, Janice Anderson

CONDUCT, DEPORTMENT & ETHICS Mike Hartop-chair and the CBF Board

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Janice Anderson, George Retek, Dick Anderson
CANADIAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE

Janice Anderson, George Retek, Jean Castonguay

FRANCOPHONE SERVICES Jean Castonguay

JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT John Carruthers, Francis Gaudino

TROPHIES Janice Anderson

SCREENS Jean Castonguay, Jim Priebe

WEBSITE Jude Goodwin, Janice Anderson, Gerard Cote, Francis Gaudino

INVESTMENT Peter Morse, Nader Hanna, George Retek

Board Assignments:

Bridge Week 2007 - Jan Anderson, Francis Gaudino

Bridge Week 2008 - Jan Anderson, Jean Castonguay

Bridge Week 2009 - Jan Anderson, Peter Morse

Translations - Jan Anderson

Budget - Jan Anderson, Peter Morse

Director Meeting - Jan Anderson, Francis Gaudino

Junior Liaison - Francis Gaudino Mexico Liaison - Nader Hanna

WBF Liaison - George Retek, Dick Anderson

University Teams - George Retek, Mike Hartop

Sponsorship - Nader Hanna

CBF Regional - 2007 - Jean Castonguay

CBF Regional - 2008 - Peter Morse, Doug Fraser

31.0 NEXT MEETING & ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 06-62: The next meeting of the CBF Board of Directors will be in Winnipeg, MB at the Clarion Hotel & Suites for the three days prior to 2006 Bridge Week 2007.

MOVED by Peter Morse.

SECONDED by Francis Gaudino.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION 06-63: The meeting be adjourned.

MOVED by Jean Castonguay.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MIKE HARTOP - PRESIDENT

JANICE ANDERSON - EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

May 30, 2006

MOTIONS PASSED BY EMAIL - JUNE 2005 - JANUARY 2006

APPENDIX A

Motion 0506-01: The CBF Board approves the augmentation of Pierre Daigneault and Stephen Brown to the 2005 Canadian Senior Team.

Moved by Mike Hartop. Seconded by Jim Priebe.

CARRIED.

Motion 0506-02: The CBF Board approves Michael Gamble as the NPC of the 2005 Canadian Open Team.

Moved by Mike Hartop. Seconded by Jim Priebe.

CARRIED.

Discussion: Giving 2005 Senior Team an extra \$4000 for Senior Cup since no money spent on Bi-

Country Play-off.

No formal motion was presented but during discussion the majority of the board were against this.

Motion 0506-03: The CBF Board approves John Gowdy as the NPC of the 2005 Canadian Venice Cup Team.

Moved by: Jim Priebe Seconded by: Doug Fraser

CARRIED.

Discussion: Do the 2005 COPC winners need to play together in the World Championships to receive the additional \$2000 subsidy?

No formal motion was presented but in discussion it was decided that the intent of the Conditions of Contest for the event and the subsidy discussions all were for the winning pair to compete together as a pair at the World Championships.

Motion 0506-04: The CBF Board approves David T. Willis as the NPC of the 2005 Canadian Senior Team.

Moved by: Doug Fraser Seconded by: Jim Priebe

CARRIED.

Motion 0506-05: The CBF Board approves Marc Lachappelle as NPC and David T. Willis as Coach of the

2005 Canadian Senior Team.

Moved by: Francis Gaudino Seconded by: Mike Hartop

CARRIED.

Motion 0506-06: The CBF Board approves the John Carruthers team as the official Canadian team for

the 2006 Commonwealth Games.

Moved by: Mike Hartop
Seconded by: Francis Gaudino
Voting: Yes - Mike, Francis,

Placed on conference call agenda as not enough votes submitted by email.

Motion 0506-07: Vincent Demuy and Daniel Lavee be advised that they are suspended

indefinitely from all play in CBF sponsored events until such time as

the board meets and adjudicates this matter.

Moved by: Mike Hartop Defeated due to lack of seconder. Motion 0506-08: The CBF not subsidize a commonwealth games team either by paying for the entry or

advancing funds towards expenses.

Moved by: James Priebe. Seconded by: Mike Hartop.

CARRIED.

Motion 0506-09: The CBF Board of Directors appoints, with full voting rights, Jim Priebe to represent

Zone III during the February CBF Board meetings since Nader Hanna is unable to

attend the meetings.

Moved by: Mike Hartop Seconded by: Jean Castonguay

CARRIED.

Motion 0506-10: The CBF contribute \$300.00 from its General Fund to help fund an 8-hour TAP for

Students which will enable them to then recruit and teach more students.

Moved by: Doug Fraser Seconded by: Mike Hartop

CARRIED.

Motion 0506-11: The CBF Board accepts John Gowdy's NPC report for the 2005 Venice Cup.

Moved by: Jim Priebe. Seconded by: Jean Castonguay

CARRIED.

Motion 0506-12: No action be taken in regards to Wu's letter in regards to the Venice Cup team

withdrawing from the Quarter Final after segment 4 of 6.

Moved by: Jim Priebe

Seconded by:

No seconder ever came up and no one else submitted votes - thus put on conference call agenda to discuss.

APPENDIX B:

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

	2006	2007	2008	2009
REVENUE				
ADVERTISING	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,900
BRIDGE WEEK	10,000	12,000	10,000	10,000
COPC (net)	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
CWTC (net)	300	300	300	300
CNTC (net)	4,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
ROOKIE-MASTER	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
CBF MEMBERSHIP	77,500	80,000	90,000	90,000
INTEREST	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
MISC.	0	0	0	0
STAC	6,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
LATE FEES	0	0	0	0
TOTAL REVENUE:	109,700	113,200	121,200	121,200
EXPENSES				
ACBL SERVICE FEE	4,400	4,500	5,000	5,000
AGM	350	350	350	350
AUDIT	2,200	2,200	2,400	2,400
AMORTIZATION	2,200	2,400	2,300	2,200
BANK CHARGES	200	200	200	200
BC PUBLICATION	41,000	42,000	43,000	44,000
CBF COORDINATOR	35,500	36,000	36,500	37,000
CIPC - PRIZE	800	800	800	800
CNTC-FltB PRIZE	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
COPC CASH PRIZE	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
CPP & EI	2,000	2,000	2,200	2,200
DIRECTOR EXPENSES	400	400	400	400
DIRECTOR MEETING	9,000	9,000	9,000	9,000
EDUCATIONAL	500	500	500	500
INSURANCE	2,100	2,100	2,200	2,200
INTERNET	4,500	4,500	5,000	5,000
LEGAL	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
MISCELLANEOUS	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
OFFICE	7,200	7,200	7,400	7,400
OLYMPIC COMMITTEE	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
SPONSORSHIP	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
TELEPHONE	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
TRANSLATIONS	500	500	500	500
VU-GRAPH	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
ZONAL/CBF COMMUN.	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
TOTAL EXPENSES:	125,550	127,350	130,450	131,850
NET REVENUE:	-15,850	-14,150	-9,250	-10,650
TRANS. TO JR. FUND	-5,000	-9,000	-10,000	-10,000
TRANS. TO INT. FUND	-5,000	-9,000	-10,000	-10,000
	-25,850	-32,150	-29,250	-30,650
FUND EQUITY - OPENING	169,987	144,137	111,987	82,737
FUND EQUITY - END	144,137	111,987	82,737	52,087

APPENDIX C:

INTERNATIONAL FUND BUDGET

EQUITY NOT TO GO BELOW \$40,000

	2006	2007	2008	2009
REVENUE				
GAME RECEIPTS	22,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
BRIDGE WEEK	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0
INTEREST	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
CBF REGIONAL	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
TOTAL REVENUE:	44,000	42,000	42,000	42,000
EXPENSES				
COPC CASH PRIZE	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0
NATIONAL COACH	0	3,500	3,500	3,500
BI-COUNTRY		12,000		12,000
BERMUDA BOWL		15,000		15,000
VENICE CUP	-	15,000	-	15,000
SENIOR CUP	-	15,000	-	15,000
WORLD CHAMP.				
- OPEN PAIRS	0	-	-	
- ROSENBLUM	15,000	-	-	-
- McCONNELL	15,000	-	-	-
- SENIOR	15,000	-	-	-
OLYMPIAD TEAM				
- OPEN TEAM	-	-	15,000	-
- WOMEN TEAM	-	-	15,000	-
- SENIOR TEAM	-	-	15,000	-
TOTAL EXPENSES:	47,000	62,500	50,500	62,500
NET REVENUE:	-3,000	-20,500	-8,500	-20,500
FUND EQUITY - OPENING	50,820	52,820	41,320	42,820
	47,820	32,320	32,820	22,320
GENERAL FUND TRANS.	5,000	9,000	10,000	10,000
FUND EQUITY - CLOSING	52,820	41,320	42,820	32,320

JUNIOR FUND BUDGET

	2006	2007	2008	2009
REVENUE				
GAMES & DONATIONS	200	200	200	200
JUNIOR MONTH	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500
OTHER MONTHS	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
INTEREST	2,500	1,500	2,000	2,000
MISC.	0	0	0	0
TOTAL REVENUE:	19,200	18,200	18,700	18,700
EXPENSES				
SPECIAL PROJECTS				
-CUTC	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
COACHING				
- NATIONAL	6,000	0	6,000	0
- GRASSROOTS	1,000	5,000	3,000	5,000
JUNIOR TRIALS	0	4,000	0	4,000
TEAM SUBSIDIES				
-WSTC	11,000	0	20,000	0
-WYTC	20,000	0	20,000	0
-UNIVERSITY TEAM	6,000	0	0	0
MISC.	50	50	50	50
TOTAL EXPENSES:	45,050	10,050	50,050	10,050
NET REVENUE:	-14,650	8,150	-31,350	8,650
FUND EQUITY - OPENING	56,760	47,110	64,260	42,910
	42,110	55,260	32,910	51,560
GENERAL FUND TRANSFER	5,000	9,000	10,000	10,000
FUND EQUITY - CLOSING	47,110	64,260	42,910	61,560