

## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Trustees of the Canadian Bridge Federation Charitable Fund held June 11, 2015**

Present:           Gim Ong                               - Chairman  
                  Kathie Macnab                -Zone I Trustee  
                  André Chartrand                -Zone II Trustee  
                  Nader Hanna                     -Zone III Trustee  
                  Jerry Mamer                        -Zone V Trustee  
                  Angela Fenton                    -Zone VI Trustee (joined at 10:50amEDT)  
                  Ina Demme                        - Executive Secretary

NOTE: Throughout these minutes the following abbreviations are used:

CBF – shall refer to the Canadian Bridge Federation

CBFCF – shall refer to the Canadian Bridge Federation Charitable Federation

ACBL – shall refer to the American Contract Bridge League

### **1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

Gim Ong called the meeting to order at 10:33am EDT declaring a quorum to be present, with 6 of 7 trustees are in attendance.

### **2.0 RECOGNITION OF NEW TRUSTEES**

MOTION: The Trustees of the CBFCF confirm the re-election of Nader Hanna – Zone III and to confirm Angela Fenton the new Zone VI Trustee.

MOVED by Kathie Macnab

SECONDED by Neil Kimelman

CARRIED

The Chair welcomed the elected trustees.

### **3.0 MINUTES**

3.1    MOTION: That the trustees of the CBFCF adopt the minutes of the July 14, 2014 meeting as distributed.

MOVED by Jerry Mamer

SECONDED by Nader Hanna

CARRIED

3.2    MOTION: That the trustees of the CBFCF RATIFY the 2014 email motions as distributed.

MOVED by Nader Hanna

SECONDED by Neil Kimelman

CARRIED

#### **4.0 Business arising from the Minutes**

##### **4.1 2014 CHARITY COMMITMENTS**

MOTION: That the trustees of the CBFCF confirm the payment of the 2014 charity grants as shown in Appendix A of the Agenda of this meeting.

MOVED by Kathie Macnab  
SECONDED by Jerry Mamer  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

##### **4.2 Other Business**

There was no other business arising from the minutes.

#### **5.0 Financial Statements**

##### **5.1 2014 Preliminary Financial Statements**

MOTION: To accept the Preliminary Financial statements as distributed.  
MOVED by Kathie Macnab  
SECONDED by Jerry Mamer  
CARRIED

#### **6.0 2015 Budget**

As we do not know how successful the Longest Day Alzheimer's event will be, we will budget 10,000 in receipts and payments. It is an in and out item, so will not affect overall financials.

MOTION: To accept 2015 Budget as distributed.  
MOVED by Jerry Mamer  
SECONDED by Kathie Macnab  
CARRIED

#### **7.0 Other Business**

##### **7.1 Chairperson's Report**

- A suggestion to do more to solicit donations to the CBFCF. One idea is to advertise in Bridge Canada to encourage people to leave a legacy in their wills to the CBFCF, either as a general donation or for a specific purpose.

##### **By Rule,**

- Donations should be disbursed within 18 months, of the year-end.
- If a donation is offered for a specific purpose, and CBFCF feels we will be unable to carry through with the purpose of the donation, we must refuse it.
- If the donation is made for any purpose that is contrary to public policy or legality, we must refuse it.
- We may not accept any funds that is suspected to be laundered money.

- If we receive a cheque, the tax receipt must be made out to the person making the donation (name on cheque) or their spouse, and not to any third party.
- A donation could not be directed to Junior fund since such donations are to be used for International Tournament travel etc. A grant for Bridge education/instruction may be fine.

## **7.2 Longest Day Update**

- Funds from Longest Day Alzheimers game must stay in Canada to be consistent with our mandate. This year the CBFCF is not supporting this game since the funds are going to the US Alzheimers' Association and directed towards their International Research Fund. CBFCF mandate to keep funds in Canada, so the CBF will not support this event.
- For 2016, Kathie Macnab will work with the ACBL and Alzheimers Society of Canada to make sure funds raised in Canada stay in Canada.
- We have a concern that the Longest Day Event may circumvent the normal charitable club game protocols. The first club charity game in each year should come to the CBFCF. So, if a club runs only the Longest Day event, it should actually be a CBFCF game, but ACBL score may not support this and it may be difficult to enforce.

## **7.3 Junior Funding**

- We can accept specific purpose donations for education. They cannot fund International tournament travel. The CBF Junior fund may apply for support for educational activities.

## **8.0 Requests for Funding**

### **8.1 Requests**

- The Chair Ong has received 2 requests for National funding:
  - o ALCOA – has 136 affiliate organizations. They are running out of money for their National newsletter, the Silver Times. In the past we have supported them and they have included some text on their website and articles on CBF with regard to bridge, and events. We saw little or no benefit from their announcements and stopped supporting them. They are asking for \$5000.
  - o AVENS? – community for seniors in Yellowknife has asked for funding. Since very few, if any of our members or bridge players are in Yellowknife, it is not appropriate for us to support them.

MOTION: To reject the application from ALCOA and AVens.

MOVED by Jerry Mare

SECONDED by Neil Kimelman

Carried

### **8.2 Allocation of funds for 2015**

- Options of focus for donations – currently Seniors, another option is for bridge education and instruction, i.e. senior centers that run bridge classes.

MOTION: The CBFCF focus for 2015 will be split between Senior charities and those that provide bridge classes and Trustees plus Chair will have \$2000 each for their Zone.

MOVED by Neil Kimelman

SECONDED by Kathie Macnab  
Carried

## **9.0 Appointments**

### **9.1 CHAIRPERSON**

MOTION: That Gim Ong be appointed as Chairperson of the CBFCF for 2015/2016.

MOVED by Nader Hanna

SECONDED by Angela Fenton

CARRIED

### **9.2 TREASURER** –

MOTION: Moved that Ina Demme will act as the CBFCF Co-ordinator for the 2015-2016 year and will be the cosigner of the cheques with the Chairman.

MOVED by Angela Fenton

SECONDED by Nader Hanna

CARRIED

### **9.3 Auditor** --

MOTION: Moved that Gary Westfall of Brampton, ON be appointed as the Auditor of the CBFCF for 2015.

MOVED by Jerry Mamer

SECONDED by Neil Kimelman

CARRIED

## **10.0 MEETING EXPENSES**

The meeting expenses will be the cost of the conference call – to be determined, estimated to be between \$80-100 – the cost of the conference call.

## **11.0 NEXT MEETING**

–the next meeting scheduled to be held by teleconference during the Board meetings in May of 2016.

## **12.0 ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: The meeting be adjourned at 12:45pm EDT.

MOVED by Nader Hanna.

CARRIED