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**CBF Board of Directors
Conference Call Minutes
March 17, 2020**

Present:

**Wade Short, Director Zone I
Hugues Boisvert, Director Zone II
Nader Hanna, Director Zone III & CBF President
Jerry Mamer, Director Zone V
Angela Fenton, Director Zone VI (joined at 7:18)
Cathy Walsh, CBF Treasurer
Ina Demme, CBF Executive Assistant**

Call to Order

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 7:00pm EST.

• **2020 Canadian Bridge Championships**

Given the uncertainty surrounding the COVID-19 situation and how long it may last, the board discussed whether to proceed, delay or cancel the 2020 CBC.

- It was noted that the WBF is still monitoring the situation and that a decision regarding the 2020 World Bridge Games is not expected until mid April. The WBF decision will greatly influence our decision since participation in the 2020 WBG is an eligibility requirement to compete in the Bermuda Bowl and Venice Cup in 2021 and 2023.
- The board considered our potential financial liability to the hotel of up to \$81,000 if we cancel the event without establishing “Force Majeure”.
- The possibility of holding some championships online was discussed. Security is the major issue and having monitors and/or asking players to physically be present at some bridge club, may not be possible or practical.

It was decided to postpone a decision regarding the championships until the next Board conference call on April 15th. In the meantime registration deadline will be extended to April 21st. Teams who have already registered and paid the entry fee but no longer wish to compete in the championships will receive a refund.

MOTION 1920CC22 – To adjourn the meeting at 7:56pm

Moved by Nader Hanna

Carried