

DRAPER LAB BRIDGE CLUB
SUMMARY ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES – 26th JANUARY, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 9:50pm and presided over by club manager Peter Matthews.

The minutes of the 2009 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report (Brian Duran):

There is a net loss to the club of USD\$12.33 this year.

Membership VP's Report (Steve McDevitt):

The club had 89 regular members,
2 members excluded due to club service,
7 MIT student members,
5 High school members (Cambridge Rindge and Latin), and
13 lifetime members
this year.

We also gave free one-year memberships to the members of the IAP class.

Publicity Report: (Elizabeth Gompels)

The publicity group:

- o Sent welcomes to new players, by e-mail or paper
- o Advertising at the sectionals
- o There was an article in the Quick Trick on the MIT IAP class
- o Elizabeth attended a marketing workshop at the San Diego NABC, which was very interesting and provided some ideas.

Club Manager's Report (Peter Matthews):

The club averaged 6.9 tables per game
7.7 students per game (not all from MIT)
Player of the Year: Steve McDevitt
Club Champion: Rishabh Singh

The club manager is worried about the decline in table count. He has scheduled all special games for the 1st quarter of this year in order to try and increase the table count. The discussion on this point was postponed to new business.

Slate of Officers proposed:

President: Emily Shen
Treasurer: Brian Duran*
VP Membership: Steve McDevitt*
VP Publicity: Elizabeth Gompels*
Secretary: Pamela Miller*
Club Manager:

The club manager is feeling overwhelmed, so is not nominated on this slate. Discussion is postponed to new business. The motion approved was to accept the slate without the Club Manager.

PASSED

OLD BUSINESS

Gloria Tsoi and Brian Duran: To be life members of the club with thanks for all their efforts with the IAP class.

PASSED

NEW BUSINESS

Special Games:

Proposal: That every remaining game in the year be a special game for the purpose of building attendance. There was discussion around what constitutes a special game and whether it might meet the goal.

PASSED subject to review by the executive board in June

Club Manager:

The club manager is also doing the web master duties and is looking for assistance. There are four areas of effort:

- (1) Web master – James volunteered to do this
- (2) Duplicating the boards
- (3) Paperwork – Brian expressed interest in learning to do this
- (4) Running the game

Elizabeth volunteered to be the liaison with the Quick Trick calendar.

There was discussion around the burden of directing every game in the year. There were four certified directors in the room: Barry, Mark, Pete and Brian. James and Gloria would like to take the director's exam. The club will happily sponsor people to take the exam.

Barry and Brian are willing to participate in a director rotation.

Motion: Peter Matthews is nominated as Club Manager with the discussed modifications PASSED

Accounting for the novice game is a burden. There was discussion around whether we need to so strictly account for the game. No motion was proposed.

Proposal: Raise the director fees.

PASSED

Swiss Pairs: Brian would like to run a Swiss Pairs game. There was agreement though he'll need to research whether ACBL Score will score it.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:58pm