DRAPER LAB BRIDGE CLUB
SUMMARY ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES – 17th JANUARY, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 9:51pm and presided over by club manager Peter Matthews.

The minutes of the 2011 meeting were approved.

Membership VP’s Report (Steve McDevitt):
The club had 90 regular members, 44 of whom were new members
4 exemptions (students, service, etc.)
17 lifetime members
this year.

Club Manager’s Report (Peter Matthews):
The club averaged 8.3 tables per game up from 6.3 tables last year

Player of the Year: Paul Wendt
Club Champion: Steve McDevitt & Vincent Koon-Kam-King

The novice game averaged 3-4 tables a game.

Treasurer’s Report (Brian Duran):
The club did well this year and remains in stable condition.

Publicity Report: (Elizabeth Gompels)
The publicity group:
  o Sent welcomes to new players, by e-mail or paper
  o Had ads at the sectionals
  o Initiated a new lecture series. Attendance was not all that was hoped for but the people to attended them enjoyed it.
  o The ACBL President visited and blogged about the Club
  o The publicity group would like to compliment the members on a friendlier atmosphere.

Nominating Committee (Gloria Tsoi)
Slate of Officers proposed:
  President: Ravi Charan
  Treasurer: Brian Duran*
  VP Membership: Steve McDevitt*
  VP Publicity: Kevin Mayew
  Secretary: Pamela Miller*
  Club Manager: Peter Matthews*

* incumbent

OLD BUSINESS

Proposed: Card fees remain the same, with the Executive Committee empowered to adjust if necessary.
There was discussion of how to spend the profits from 2011. No motion made on that point.
NEW BUSINESS

Hosting a Watertown Sectional:

Gloria Tsoi and Jim Rasmussen described what is required to host a sectional. Instructions are provided by Amnon Gabay. We need a handful of volunteers and one coordinator. Gloria volunteers to be the coordinator.

Motion: That MITDLBC host EMBA’s August Sectional  
PASSED

Finances:

Motion: excess income be put towards paying off the dealing machine  
PASSED

IAP Class:

Gloria and Brian with to give up teaching the IAP class and directing the novice game.
   The class is 7:00-9:15pm Mondays and Thursdays for four weeks. They use the club series. This year we are experimenting with community only – not sure how well it will turn out.
   The novice game is Mondays 7:00pm-9:30pm until May.

   Jim Rasmussen volunteers to run the class. Alya will help. Neither wishes to run the novice game. The general feeling in the room is that both programs are essential to the future success of the club.

   There was discussion around compensation for the novice game.

Motion: Raise the compensation for the novice game to the level of the open game  
PASSED

Motion: Audrey Grant is coming to give a class. The club will pay for anyone who wishes to attend.  
PASSED

Special Games:

Games we run:
   2 Swiss Teams
   4 IMP Pairs
   4 handicap/8 stratified (our novice games)
   Individual
   Pro-Am

   Brian is interested in more barometer games. Swiss Pairs and Individual require full tables. We could advertise a Swiss Pairs/Barometer game and depending on whether full or half table we would have a playing director.

Motion: There will be only one individual in a year  
PASSED
Motion: Swiss Pairs is OK to run  
PASSED

Cell Phones:

Motion: announce “turn off phones” before every game.  
PASSED

Taxes:
We must file with the IRS every three years. Brian will try to file again this year.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:13pm