

DRAPER LAB BRIDGE CLUB
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES – 15th JANUARY, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 9:42pm and presided over by club manager Peter Matthews.

The minutes of the 2012 meeting were approved.

Membership VP's Report (Steve McDevitt):

The club had	111	regular members,
	2	exemptions (students, service, etc.)
	18	lifetime members
		this year.

Club Manager's Report (Peter Matthews):

The club averaged	8.57 tables per game
	3.41 students per game (not all from MIT)
Player of the Year:	Nathan Glasser
Club Champion:	Brad Mampe & Steve Willner

The novice game as strong as well. If anyone would like to see the complete spreadsheet, please see Pete.

Treasurer's Report (Brian Duran) was accepted.

Publicity Report: (Kevin Mayhew)

The publicity group mostly focused on the IAP class. Specifically,

- o Sent welcomes to new players, by e-mail or paper
- o Had flyers for the class and at the sectional
- o Made a mass e-mail to campus about the IAP class.

Question as to whether we can announce the class in the Quick Trick? Kevin will explore.

Nominating Committee: there was no nominating committee this year. The previous incumbents are willing to serve again this year.

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

ELECTED

OLD BUSINESS

Awards:

Motion: Brian Duran and Gloria Tsoi be awarded two years of free plays at the club, as a reward for running the IAP & Novice games for the last several years.

PASSED

Finances:

There was discussion of how much money the club needs to have or to clear in any given year. All were in agreement that the club should generally break even, keeping only enough in the bank for a year or two expenses.

Motion: Club games will be free for MIT students and for any high school students. Other university students will pay the regular student fee.

PASSED

Motion: The Directors' fees for both the novice and regular games shall be raised per game.

PASSED

Motion: There shall be one free game this year, timing to be decided by the executive committee.

PASSED

Motion: We will pay half of the cost for anyone in the IAP class who wishes to join the ACBL. They must join through the club so that the club will receive the recognition [from the ACBL].

PASSED

IAP Class/Novice Game:

Jim Rasmussen and Alya Asarina will teach the novice class in 2013. The ACBL has a program to pay instructors. Jim knows how to apply for the funds and will do so.

The novice game needs a director. Does not need to be a certified ACBL director. The novice game follows the very relaxed Bridge Plus rules.

Vincent and Shirley offer to help.

The Sloan School has a group which does things together. It is possible they would like to "Learn Bridge in a Day".

NEW BUSINESS

Late plays: A proposal was made that there should not be (no longer be?) late plays.

There was discussion around the causes of late plays and whether it would be punitive to give adjusted scores. We do not want to penalize the novices who often play slow, but it is annoying to many people.

One suggestion is to keep track of who is actually getting late plays so we can talk with them. At the moment the evidence is all anecdotal.

Motion: The club have a No-Late-Play policy until the end of April, 2013

FAILED

Steve offers and will do a lecture on pace of play to the novice class.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:16pm