

DRAPER LAB BRIDGE CLUB
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES – 26th JANUARY, 2016

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

The minutes of the 2015 meeting were approved.

Membership VP's Report (Steve McDevitt):

The club had 56 paid up members this year.

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

Club Manager's Report (Peter Matthews):

The club averaged 7.92 tables per game
3.47 students per game (not all from MIT)
We were snowed out for two games

Player of the Year: Nathan Glasser
Club Champion: Jim Rasmussen & Pam Miller

Treasurer's Report (Brian Duran) was accepted.

Publicity Report: (Gloria Tsoi)

- The publicity group:
- o Sent welcomes to new players, by e-mail or paper
 - o Created a Facebook page for the club

Nominating Committee (Gloria Tsoi)

Slate of Officers proposed:

President:	Jeff Scott
Treasurer:	Brian Duran*
VP Membership:	Steve McDevitt*
VP Publicity:	TBD – Jeff Scott to appoint later
Secretary:	Pamela Miller*
Club Manager:	Peter Matthews*

* incumbent

ELECTED

OLD BUSINESS

IAP Class/Novice Game:

The class has 2.5 tables this year. There was a question as to whether we are still using the Club Series books (we are). They are free. The Diamond series is not free. There was another question as to whether this is an official MIT activity. If so, we cannot publicize outside the Community. The official policy of the club is that the IAP Class is for MIT Community only, but we will not turn away students from other universities.

The Troops are looking for help – Marla offered to help.

NEW BUSINESS

New Life Members.

Gloria Tsoi nominated Jeff Scott, Eric Throop and Barry Margolin as life members of the club for services to the club.

PASSED

Retirement of our Club Manager

Peter Matthews wishes to retire as Club Manager after 2016. He has moved to the South Shore making it difficult to commit to being at the club every week. The core job of the manager is:

Dealing the boards

Dealing with the computer

Ordering supplies and bringing materials to the game

Making sure we have a director each week

Making corrections

Being the point of contact for the ACBL and handle finances thereof.

We have several directors and need to separate the manager and director responsibility. There was discussion of what happens to the club if we do not find a replacement manager. The manager is currently compensated separate from the director compensation (but it is a token)

Motion: Pete create a job description and put it out to the list. See if one of our members would like the position or part of the position. The Executive Committee can discuss if needed.

PASSED

Scoring Devices.

There are two options: BridgeMates and a smartphone app (runs on Android devices)

New BridgeMates are \$2500. Tim Hill has some used ones. The price to purchase them is unknown.

Mini-tablets run the app. Need to download the software to everyone's device and charge them every week.

Motion: Table this question for a year. The new manager should have input.

PASSED

Common Game:

This is free. We get hand records and all clubs play the same boards on the same night.

Motion: Empower the club manager to run as many common games as he wishes.

PASSED

The meeting was adjourned at 10:52pm