

Unit 125 Board Meeting

**Cleveland Whist Club**

St. John's Church, Parma, Ohio

September 13, 2017

**Members present:** Rhona Jacobson, Steve Garfinkel, Chuck Ladiha, Fran Mulkins, Tommie Ruehr, Kathy Wolford, Maureen Merker, Peggy Gallagher, Wayne Heritage, Dave Hobe, Bev Carter and Janet Au Werter

**Guests Present:** Barb Bacon, Harvey Bernstein

**Members absent:**

The meeting was called to order at 4:58 by President Ruehr.

**Minutes:** The minutes from July were read by Tommie Ruehr and a motion by Fran Mulkins and seconded by Chuck Ladiha for approval as corrected was made and passed. The minutes from August were read by Maureen Merker and approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Dave Hobe reported that he reviewed all financial records sent to him by Harvey Bernstein, and noted no discrepancies. The club currently has \$37,140.30 in CDs. After summer imp league and August sectional expenses, the club will have approximately \$9700 in our checking account.

**President's Report:** Tommie announced that not all members of the board have voted for representatives for District 5. Please be sure to vote before October 15. Tommie also reported that she has contacted local colleges about joining our bridge community, but has had little response. She will try others.

**Committee Reports:**

**Membership:** Nothing to report

**Charity Committee:** Wayne reported that he has opened a checking account at Citizens Bank. A motion was made by Wayne and seconded by Rhona Jacobson and carried that the Charity Committee have a minimum of 2 board members and a total maximum membership of 6 people.

**Old Business:** The November flier is yellow and it is out.

**Master Non-Master Game:** Fran reported that flyers have been distributed to all game directors and she will make sure they are sent to Akron games as well. The response is okay. A suggestion was made that the game be switched to a Sunday afternoon in spring for greater participation.

**Unit Club Site:** Peggy has talked to a realtor about possible sites, but ultimately the topic was tabled because the cost is too high for us at this time.

**New Business:**

**Report from the District 5 Board Meeting:** Chuck Ladiha attended the District 5 Board Meeting in Pittsburgh. He reported that that the unit lost \$5000 on the January Regional (as it normally does) because not enough people stay in the host hotel to defray the reduced cost to the tournament. He also reported that our district has the highest retention percentage at 65 %, and the average age of our members is 73.67 years.

**Secretary:** Bev Carter announced that she will resign from the Board. Janet AuWerter will replace her as secretary. Harvey Bernstein has been appointed to fill her Board seat.

**Tournament Coordinator:** Barb Bacon reported that she will be doing tournament coordination for District 5, so we will need a new unit tournament coordinator.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:32.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, October 4 at 4:45. Rhona will do hospitality.