**Minutes of the Huddersfield Bridge Club Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 13th October 2021**

**Members Present**

Michael Robertson, David Ford, Liz Greensides, Sue Measures, Margaret Rhodes, Katie Thorpe,

Ian Whitehead and Pat Whitehouse

**Apologies for Absence**

None

**Minutes of the previous Meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed by Michael Robertson

**Matters Arising**

*Directory of useful info -* Katie is printing a list to add to the black book

*Card Payment Machine –* This has been purchased and has been used to pay for lessons

*New Laptop/External Drive –* An external drive has been bought to back up the Club laptop

**Health & Safety Issues**

One of our members has contracted COVID and anyone who has been in contact with her has been notified.

Heating will be on from 5:30 to 9:00pm and with the windows open, the room was ok

**Membership**

We have 161 paid members plus 5 Honorary. Sue will consult with Liz as to how to add new Members to the EBU

**Finance**

The cash balance was £45,230. At the moment the tables are running at a loss, but it seems so are other Bridge Clubs. There is £1395 remaining from prize money not taken, the consensus is that this will go to the Christmas Party.

**Premises**

*Drainpipes -*these have now been sorted but the walls are still a bit damp downstairs

*Boiler -* a service has been booked for January .

*Lock on no 6* – It was suggested we have a further lockon the door to make it more secure

*Insurance* – this is due in June so Katie will shop around.

*Ramp* – The stone we put a deposit on has gone up in value so if we decide against a ramp, we shouldn’t lose out.

**Teaching Update**

*Taster session*s – 4 people turned up on Wednesday; 5 on Thursday, including 1student

*Lessons* – We have a few lessons booked, both beginners and Improvers

**Competitions/Teams**

It was decided to leave the usual competitions until next year due to insufficient numbers

**Other Items**

*Volunteering Response -* Brian Faichney and Pam are doing the boxes – when we know what we need as far as volunteers are concerned, we can approach people directly

*TD Training* – Michael will find out how to go about holding the course at the Club. – Michael and Liz are happy to go on the course

*Welcome Pack*  -Sue will print 6 off + Membership Application form

*Finding Partners* – no luck

*Pianola –* we will talk about this at the next meeting

*Christmas Parties –* It was decided to hold these on Monday afternoon the 6th December and Tuesday evening the 14th December.

*Complaint -* David had said he had a complaint from 3 tables and some people are noisy when they have finished playing

**Date of Next Meeting**

It was decided that Liz would arrange a longer meeting, by email, either in the afternoon or evening.