**Minutes of the Huddersfield Bridge Club Committee Meeting held on 18th April 2023**

**Members Present**

Michael Robertson, Carrie Babington, David Ford, Liz Greensides, Sue Measures,

Margaret Rhodes, Ian Whitehead and Pat Whitehouse

**Apologies for Absence**

Katie Thorpe

**Minutes of the previous Meetings**

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed by Michael Robertson

**Matters Arising**

*Business relief –* Kirklees confirmed no help with utility bills available

*Flag replacement –* Michael to measure and ask members if anyone has a spare flag

*Defibrillator Course –* Member injured her shoulder. Dave to confirm when appropriate.

*Trustees Way Forward –* Under the constitution of the club it was proposed by Elizabeth Greensides and seconded by Margaret Rhodes that Shirley Hancock be formally removed as a Trustee. This was passed unanimously by the committee who also wished to thank Shirley wholeheartedly for all her service to Huddersfield Bridge Club. Michael to ensure paperwork is correct for new group of trustees.

*Bridge Teaching courses* ***–*** All details can be found at[ebedcio.org.uk](http://ebedcio.org.uk/) website under teacher training. Michael to offer Huddersfield as a venue.

**Health & Safety Issues**

None reported.

**Membership**

There are 206 Members prior to renewals – update to be provided when all subs collected.

**Financial Update**

We have £54,698 in the bank.

**Premises**

*Boiler –* We now have an estimate for the flushing and cleaning of the central heating system at the club. This is £1460.84 including VAT. It was unanimously agreed to go ahead.

**Competitions/Teams Update**

The league has now finished but there is still the Castle Swiss Pairs event on the 25th June this year. Michael and Carrie to discuss.

50 pairs have currently entered the Huddersfield Swiss Pairs online event for Saturday 22nd April.

**AGM**

It was decided to hold the AGM on the 29th June. Sue will put up all the notices relating to agenda, committee, chairman, secretary and treasurer nominations. Everyone is up for re election except Carrie who joined the committee last year.

**Coronation Party Update**

The caterers have been sorted and the wine to be provided by Peter Skuse. Committee thanks him very much for his support. The event is sold out.

**Monday Evenings**

Members will be asked if there is an interest in restarting a face-to-face session at the club on a Monday evening. Katie has volunteered to help TD. Online Mondays is now costing the club i.e. not break even (just). Michael to talk to Oliver but this session is under threat. Committee debated the pros and cons as there are a regular group of members who maintain contact with the club this way.

**Social Bridge Evening**

This could be held at a pub on, maybe, Friday evening. Michael will contact member for their thoughts and gauge interest.

**Website**

It was decided to let Liz go ahead with developing the website on Pianola. She will aim to have this up and running by the time the contract with Bridgewebs expires.

**Rotas**

All members involved in the various rotas to be contacted and asked about their continued participation before Liz reissues them**.**

**Any Other Business**

Margaret wondered when the coat rack will be put up downstairs instead having them in the playing area.

**Date of Next Meeting**

After the AGM