**Minutes of the Huddersfield Bridge Club Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 18th March 2020**

**Members Present**

Pearl Murphy, Gillian Emerson, Sue Measures, Peter Skuse, Ian Whitehead and Pat Whitehouse

**Apologies for Absence**

Margaret Rhodes and Vivien Aizlewood

**Minutes of the previous Meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed by Pearl Murphy

**Matters Arising**

*Gardens* – Girls Friday, organised by Gillian are coming in April

*Roof slate* – actioned by Gillian

*Galvanised water tank* – This will be organised when we reopen

*IT Projects -* The *e*xtra screen will arrive on Monday

**Membership**

We have 250 paid members plus 5 Honorary and 12 new applications

**Finance**

The cash balance was £22,747.00

**Members Suggestions**

It was decided to put a notice on the downstairs toilet when we reopen – ‘Please close the door’

**Competitions & Club Nights - Coronavirus Covid-19**

*The Following competitions have been cancelled -* Club Championship pairs scheduled for the 26th April; Newcomers Trophy scheduled for the 14th May and the Castle Swiss Pairs scheduled for the 17th May

*British Red Cross funding event –* Sue will inform them that the Club is closed at the moment

*National Handicap Championship Pairs (13th Sept)* – We will wait until September before making a decision

*Catering* – As far as we are aware, nothing has been booked for any competition but Gillian will make sure

*Cleaners* – It was decided that both cleaners should come for three hours once a week, either together or separately, plus receive holiday pay due.

*Gardener –* This will continue at £150 twice a year*.*

*TDs, Duplimaters and Lesson attendees –* they have all been advised of the Club closure

*Club Security -* Peter suggested a time switch light be used but it was decided not to because the general public would see that there was no-one coming and going. Pearl will call in once a week to check.

*Prize money –* Denis and Stuart will do the calculations and hold the prize money until later

*Subscriptions –* It was agreed that any membership subscriptions for 2020 (£10), which are due in April, can be held over until the club reopens – we will then allow a grace period of a month for anyone who has not yet paid, before the overdue fee of £2 becomes applicable

*Vulnerable Members* – Pearl will contact all members with a general note asking them to look out for and keep in touch with our more vulnerable members.

*Decisions after shut down –* This will be done by email

*AGM –* It was decided to hold off cancelling it for a month

*Bidding box cards -* These will be re-ordered before the opening of the club

*Teams for next year* – Pearl has completed the entry for the Yorkshire League 2020/21 and Pat will pay the entry fee (£20 per team - £120 in total) by BACS. Carrie has taken over the job of match secretary from Patrick Trevanion.

**Disabled access ramp** *–*

Yorkshire Care have said they would require a £5000 deposit to start in June and take 2 to 3 weeks to complete. They would then allow us to pay the rest over 4 months. It was decided to tell them to proceed and pay the deposit. A member offered an interest-free loan, which we will consider as a reserve.

**Date of Next Meeting**

13th May 2020