**Minutes of the Huddersfield Bridge Club Committee Meeting held on 12th January 2022**

**Members Present**

Michael Robertson, David Ford, Liz Greensides, Sue Measures, Margaret Rhodes, Katie Thorpe, Ian Whitehead and Pat Whitehouse

**Apologies for Absence**

None required.

**Minutes of the previous Meetings**

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed by Michael Robertson

**Matters Arising**

*Damp downstairs –* This is much improved and dry but it was decided to leave any decorating for now.

*Lock on no 6* – The Insurers insist on a 5-lever lock on both doors along with an internal latch. Katie will get these sorted and organise how many keys are needed. We will also put a bar to strengthen the door on number 6. ***Action Katie***

*TD Training* – Katie has offered our premises for TD Training but YCBA haven’t got back to us yet. ***Action Katie***

*Bridge handicapping* – Michael is still planning on convening a meeting of local clubs to discuss a variety of issues. He was unable to find a suitable date prior to Christmas. ***Action Michael***

**Health & Safety Issues**

Katie will ring the fire people to get the premises tested. ***Action Katie***

**Membership**

We have 166 paid members plus 5 Honorary. There was a discussion about putting the annual membership fee up to £25 – we shall suggest this at the next AGM for the following year.

A decision to reconcile a definitive list of current paid up members will be left until the new membership year.

**Finance**

The cash balance was £45,607.00

**Premises**

*Insurance* – We are insured to run other activities at the club

*Boilers –* These have been serviced this week

*Thursday ladies –* They are not coming back at the moment, but are hoping to be back at the end of March 2022.

*Window Cleaning –* Margaret asked whether we had a window cleaner as some of the windows looked dirty. We do but it was decided to leave this until later.

**Teaching Update**

Beginners’ classes kick off tomorrow evening and Improvers started yesterday morning; there have been quite a few enquiries. Michael will confirm the numbers attending with Denis/Pearl. ***Action Michael***

**Competitions/Teams**

We have three Teams running in the Yorkshire Leagues

**Members’ Suggestions**

None

**Other Items**

*Trustees* – Michael will reply to the solicitors with the new names and confirm the boundary wall issue has been resolved. ***Action Michael***

*Tyler Hill Match* – Michael will send out an email to participantsl ***Action Michael***

*Pianola Update* – This is going along smoothly with advantages for administration being realised.

*YBC Meeting Info* – There were 16 clubs in attendance from around Yorkshire. There is still money available but we would need to provide evidence to acquire financial support. None needed at the moment.

*Bridgemates* – Ian and David to determine what Bridgemates we have and reconfigure the numbers to balance out usage of machines. Enquiries also to be paid about newer models being purchased by Stocksbridge/Shelley. ***Action Ian/David***

*TD Duties* – Liz has documented the procedures to be used at each session and things are progressing smoothly.

*Break Times* – Michael received a request about reinstating breaks in the bridge sessions. The decision will be made when members are free of restrictions and more able to congregate in numbers in the kitchen.

**Date of Next Meeting**

16th Feb at 5.30pm