**Minutes of the Huddersfield Bridge Club Committee Meeting held on 10th April 2024**

**Members Present**

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

**Apologies for Absence**

Liz Greensides

**Minutes of the previous Meetings**

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed by Michael Robertson

**Matters Arising**

Katie has contacted various people with a view to receiving grants. She is waiting to hear back from Kirklees one community but we were turned down by the Thorton Trust due to our constitution.

U3A Pro Am competition has been cancelled as there was not enough interest from amateur players.

**Health and safety**

The fire alarm people have been but they have now been cancelled as it is 6 months before the next service is due.

**Membership**

There are 178 including 4 honorary. 23 members have played fewer than 5 times in the last 12 months; 48 members have played on average at least once a week, many more than that; 12 new members have joined in the last 12 months; 2 resignations and 3 deaths.

**Financial Update**

We have £54,0967 in the bank.

**Competitions/Teams Update**

The season has now finished, nobody disgraced themselves and we were definitely in the running. There are some new players in the bottom league. Thanks to Margaret Gill and Anne Bailey for helping in the kitchen with teas etc

**Teaching Update**

Denis finishes his Declarer Play lessons this month and David Charlton has finished his lessons with the Improvers . The committee wishes to express their wholehearted thanks to both of them for facilitating members interest in bridge which undoubtedly improves attendance at club sessions. We must continue to teach people to play for the future of the club. Beginner’s lessons with the U3A will recommence in September.

**Members’ Suggestions**

None

**Move Update**

Michael to email all members with the latest news and add to the website.

**Any Other Business**

*Cleaner –* We would like a weekly schedule of work undertaken.

*Spare Extension* –The spare rota has worked well on a Wednesday evening leading to increased attendance so we will ask for “new” volunteers and add this to other sessions.

**Date of Next Meeting**

13th June at the AGM