

**Louisiana Bridge Association
BOD Meeting Minutes
November 2025**

DATE: November 10, 2025

Meeting called to order at: 1:45

Attending: Keenan Romig, John Hurley, Glenn Barnett, Kathy Logue, Vicki Willis, Mike Russell, Sid LeBlanc, Sherrie Goodman, Beth Bayer and Newt Jackson

Absent: Charles Waldrop

Minutes for October were accepted.

Finance: ACBL sanction fees were more than double an average month at \$900. They do fluctuate and it is anticipated that December will be back to normal.

Payment for October tournament has not yet been received by our club. Sid's calculations show that the gross from the tournament was \$8,134 with expenses so far at \$5,492 for a net to the club of \$2,642 which would be posted to the November EOM financial statement.

Total income was \$25,087 with expenses of \$24,319 for a net of \$767.

Insurance on the building will be \$18,000 for coming year, with renewal due in February 2026. After brief discussions the board approved payment.

Sid will share the 2024 tax return with the BOD as required by IRS prior to submission.

Club Manager: Swiss mentoring game was well received and achieved the goal of being a mixer and a prep for newer players for Swiss games in tournaments. Kudos to Sherrie for last minute adjustments as 8 people who had promised to come did not show. A suggestion was made to work with nearby clubs to encourage them to have a Swiss mentor game for purpose of creating more participation in our Swiss games.

The change in the Friday registration process is working well with noise level appreciably lower. The back door will be open to allow open players to enter that way and eliminate a bit more distraction.

The search for Directors is ongoing. Kathy Logue's resignation has opened a hole that needs to be filled. Other clubs will be contacted to see if a director from outside can be obtained.

Real Bridge participation is growing at other big clubs. Some complaints about annoying background noises were reported. In such cases, the director should be called to handle. Anyone interested in our **new** Swiss, which is now on Real Bridge, needs to **go to realbridge.com and set up an account** prior to playing.

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The team that made the movie at our club will come back to record some of the sounds from a game and film the dealing machine in action.

Nominating: Kathy Logue reports that 5 people have signed up for 4 open positions. More would be better so that the person placing 5th does not get hurt feelings. A “*Meet and Greet*” will be held the day of our Holiday Party.

Maintenance: Tile at entrance has been repaired. Approval was granted to spend \$1,190 to clean and seal floor tiles in hallway, kitchen and rest rooms.

President: Following a discussion of when instructors can hold classes at the club it was decided that any open period would be available for the Education committee to schedule classes.

The fee due to the club for classes held at the club was changed to \$5/person/class. Currently this was erroneously assessed at \$2/person/class as a prior board had set the rate at \$3 but that documentation was not readily available to recent boards.

There was discussion of starting a Beginner 2 series immediately following KPs Beginner bridge. That will be discussed at next Education Committee meeting.

Holiday gifts for Directors and Theresa were decided upon.

It was suggested that VP duties be amended to include oversight of club events (tournaments, lunches etc). The VP would recruit and oversee chairperson for each of these events. To be discussed at future meeting.

Beth has volunteered to handle a 50/50 raffle at various events next year.

Sherrie has announced that she will be stepping away from many of the duties she now handles that are outside of her duties as Club Manager. She has agreed to continue handling the online games but the club will need to find replacement(s) for the myriad of other duties she has handled in the past.

Suggestion from the box concerned moving Monday game back to 10:30. It was decided that a one hour time difference for the two Monday games would be too taxing for the director so the 10:00 start time will continue.

Meeting Adjourned: 3:15

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Russell, Recording Secretary