

## **Club Manager's Report** (Given orally)

(1) SPECIAL GAMES, STAC GAMES. Kevin has scheduled the special games for 2015. He can schedule more if we want them. They usually cost \$1 per player more. He has not scheduled any STAC games. They cost an additional \$1.75 per player and have strict requirements for reporting results. The board should instruct him if we want to hold STAC games.

(2) BE POSITIVE. Kevin encourages us (and all members) to set a positive tone. Invite new members to play as well as focus on retaining existing members. Our membership is shrinking. We should do what we can to promote a positive atmosphere for all players. He wants to hear what we like about SBC as well as the things we would like to improve.

(3) IDEAS FOR ATTRACTING NEW PLAYERS. Can we reach out to social bridge groups? Could we offer half price games for students? We should try to attract new retirees. More pro-am games, IMP pairs, handicap games, etc.?

(4) DIRECTOR FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT. Gayle will limit her Wednesday night directing to unit games, but will continue to do partnerships for our regular Wednesday night games. We need to find one or more replacement directors. Kevin will try to find a replacement director. Suggestions are welcome. (Secretary's Note: An electronic vote was held after the meeting authorizing Kevin to hire Miriam Brand as the Club's Wednesday night director.)

(5) DEALING MACHINE TRAINING. Kevin agreed with Dave Astle that we need more training for those who are operating the dealing machine. We appreciate those who are volunteering to perform this function, it is important that the hand records produced accurately reflect the hands dealt. Currently, Loren Meyer, Cathy Urben, Miriam Brand, and Bill Anning are producing our pre-dealt hands.

(6) ACBL ON-LINE PARTNERSHIP DESK. Kevin believes ACBL's on-line partnership program is available for club use. He will check into this.

(7) ACBL also has lots of materials for teaching bridge, including getting bridge into schools.

(8) MONTHLY REPORT. Kevin emails a monthly club manager report to the SBC board 1-2 days before the monthly meeting. He will have some copies of this report at the meeting for those who have not read it.

(9) Kevin is working with Andy Ono to see what sort of demand there may be for bridge classes at Capital Manor.