Minutes of Mt Maunganui Bridge Club Committee Meeting held on 9 July at 10 a.m.

Present: Julie Sheridan, Dianne Stevens, Teri Logie, Barbara Stimson, Joanne McLean, Kay Burnie, Jane Decker, Michele Lander

Apologies: Isobel McIntyre, Frances Ball

Minutes from the last Meeting: Moved Dianne Stephens **Seconded** Julie Sheridan

Matters arising from the minutes.

Fibre: Fibre has been installed and having a central access point investigated. Jane will look into whether we can find a cheaper service provider.

Use of Office: It was agreed that Michele's son could use the office from time to time for a monthly payment of \$100..

Fun over the Bridge: This was a very successful tournament with congratulations going to the Mount club for bringing home the trophy. We will host a return match on 3rd November and it was suggested that we could find a way to raise funds to cover the cost of wine.

Bike Rack: We have the go-ahead to install a bike rack in the lobby. Joanne is going to look at the bike rack in the golf club built by Kevin Connor to see if a similar one would be suitable.

Skills Night: It has proved very successful to hold two sessions on a Monday night with 34 people attending.

Treasurer's Report:

Jane presented her financial report. Teri will chase up people with large amounts owing to the club. Grateful thanks to Gilda and Graham for their generous donations to the club. Moved: Barbara Stimson, seconded Joanne McLean.

General Business:

July Tournament: All is going ahead smoothly.

Jubilee: All is going ahead smoothly, Teri and Gilda have joined the team.

Bay Pairs: There was agreement that the annual subscription cost would be raised to \$85 per year. It was also agreed that allowing Taupo to hold a session would deter too many players due to the distance needed to travel.

Hiring of club to Mahjong: This was an excellent way to raise funds but proved to be very hard work for the committee members who were there to help out. There was a lot of cleaning and tidying to be done and it was agreed that with any future events there should be far more hands on deck. We also had to employ the cleaner for an extra hour.

Mentoring: There was a request that more mentoring be given but this is felt to be impracticable at the moment. However Murray Wood has offered to give a lesson on teams' strategies on Wednesday 17th July.

Changes to Incorporated Societies: This is going to be an ongoing process over the next two years. Our first change is to Rule 12, removing the need for a Vice President. Barbara to log the changes each month.

Subs: It is going to be necessary for annual subs to increase by \$10 over the next two years in order to cover the increased levies charged by NZ Bridge. It was agreed that the whole \$10 would be added in 2026 with the club absorbing the shortfall in 2025.

Meeting closed at 11.10 am

Next meeting to be held 13 August 2024