**Minutes of the Huddersfield Bridge Club Committee Meeting held on 25th January 2023**

**Members Present**

Michael Robertson, Carrie Babington, David Ford, Liz Greensides, Sue Measures,

Margaret Rhodes, Katie Thorpe, Ian Whitehead and Pat Whitehouse

**Apologies for Absence**

None

**Minutes of the previous Meetings**

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed by Michael Robertson

**Matters Arising**

**Health & Safety Issues**

The fire bell at the front door isn’t working – Katie has contacted the fire alarm company for a service and the extinguishers are being serviced tomorrow.

**Membership**

There are 199 Members including 7 Honorary. The Membership is now up to date, the website matches pianola and everybody should now be coming through on the Bridge mates.

**Financial Update**

We have £52,500 in the bank. Michael to have a look to see if we are entitled to business relief.

**Premises**

**Heating**

We have had the boilers serviced. There were 3 problems:- expansion vessels broken, one has been mended; bleeding the radiators, 3 have been done; the thermostat in no 6 is broken so will be replaced. The maximum temperature will be 25 upstairs and downstairs. We will be getting dummy covers so they can’t be tampered with. Thanks to Katie for arranging all this.

Flag been stolen from path in no 5 so we can’t use the doorway for now.

It was decided that the water heater should be switched off when not in use. The strip lights in the kitchen have been decommissioned so Katie will go and buy some new ones.

**Competitions/Teams Update**

Nothing to report

**Any Other Business**

***Charitable Donation*** *–* the committee decided that individual members do their own thing and it is not up to the club to make a decision for them

***Duplimater Clean and Service*** *–* Michael Woodward has volunteered to clean the duplimater. This has already been done by Denis but it is very nearly ready for a service.

***Defibrillator*** *–* We are hoping to have somebody to call in a give a demonstration, this could be held on a Thursday morning after bridge.

***Bridge Mates/Tablets Grant*** *–* We can apply for a grant from the YCBA for tablets or new bridge mates Apparently we would need a new computer if we use tablets.

***Celebration of Coronation subsidised event*** *–* It was decided to have an event for the Coronation on the 8th May, similar to the one at Christmas. We will also look to book the caterers for Christmas at the same time. We hope to celebrate George’s 100th birthday on the 17th April with cake and fizz.

***Bridge teaching course*** *–* it was suggested we make our building available for courses in return for two free places

***Increase in Table Money/Subscriptions*** *–* It was agreed at the AGM that Subscriptions would be increased from £10 to £20 from the 1st April 2023. Table Money will also be increased to £3.

***EBU Masters competition*** *–* Carrie mentioned that on the 26 February there will be an EBU Masters competition for those pairs below regional master. This is a green points event, scored nationally and it will cost usual table money plus £5. This will be held at the Club.

***Thanks*** – The Committee thanked Pam, David, Jackie and Liz for organizing the Christmas *party*

**Date of Next Meeting**

1st March 2023