

**New Hampshire Bridge Association
Board of Directors Meeting
April 22, 2026**

The quarterly meeting of the New Hampshire Bridge Association Board of Directors was called to order by President William Kennedy at 7:02 p.m.

Other members of the Board in attendance were:
Mary Barry, Sharon Beaty, Lucia Carlisle, Alan Carpenter, Donna Devlin, Sharon Kace, David Lawrence, John Pieper, Merrick Weinstein

Secretary's Report

Minutes of the last Board meeting were sent to the entire Board of Directors by Secretary Sharon Kace prior to this meeting. Motion made by Lucia Carlisle to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Donna Devlin. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report was sent to the entire Board of Directors by Treasurer Lucia Carlisle prior to this meeting. Since the original report was sent, there were several additional payments made, report was updated and the new version was also sent to the Board members prior to this meeting.

Lucia answered a question by explaining in detail how and when our portion of the members' dues are received from the ACBL; discussion ensued.

Motion made by Sharon Kace; seconded by Rick Weinstein to accept the amended version of the Treasurer's report as written. Motion passed unanimously.

Membership Report

Our President Bill Kennedy reported that NHBA (Unit 150) presently has 490 members.

Bill also stated that we had access to the ACBL mailing lists with certain restrictions. Discussion ensued of how to disseminate these lists by topics and how to appropriately use them.

Seacoast Sectional Review

Tournament Manager David Lawrence stated that the Seacoast Tournament was very successful with a profit of \$600. He also stated that the Seacoast members were incredibly helpful by supplying numerous items for hospitality.

State Tournament Update

Tournament Manager Lucia Carlisle confirmed that David Metcalf will serve as State Tournament Director. She also stated that participation signup is very low. Tables need to be delivered to the new venue from the Derry Bridge venue; discussion followed.

Trophies, including the Ron Mak Award are engraved and ready to be presented.

Upcoming Board Election/Annual Meeting

Bill Kennedy stated that he planned to run again for president this year and next. He then asked if anyone was planning to vacate their position or wanted to run for a different position. He also reminded the Board members that nominations could come from the floor at the annual meeting.

News from Executive Committee Meeting at Southbridge Sectional

Bill Kennedy reported that all tournaments, unfortunately, are decreasing in size which means that smaller venues are possible for tournaments. Instead of large hotels, many units are searching for smaller, more reasonably priced venues.

New Business

In response to whether there are any evening Bridge games in New Hampshire; Bill (?) responded that the Norwich Club in Hanover had a game on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Adjourn & next meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for July 22, 2026 at 7:00 pm.

Motion by Sharon Beaty and second by Rick Weinstein to adjourn this meeting. Unanimous acceptance.

Meeting adjourned by the president at 8:04 p.m.

Respectively submitted
Sharon S. Kace
NHBA Secretary