

FORT COLLINS DUPLICATE PLAYERS' CLUB

Bylaws

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Name

The name of this club is the Fort Collins Duplicate Players' Club, hereafter referred to as FCDPC or the Club.

Purpose

The FCDP is a franchised club of the American Contract Bridge League (ACBL).

Its function is to conduct weekly duplicate bridge games in conformance with the ACBL rules and regulations. These games are to be open to any interested duplicate bridge players.

Membership

Any participating bridge player is a member of FCDPC.

Officers and Board of Directors

A Board of Directors of the club (Board) shall be elected from the membership at large. The Board shall elect as its officers a president, vice-president and secretary. The president shall act as the Chairman of the Board. The Club Manager will attend the board meetings but will have no vote except to break a tie.

The Board shall conduct the business of the Club. Its duties shall be to: to establish policies for the operation of the Club within ACBL regulations; to set playing fees; to determine prizes for winners; to make provisions for refreshments, if any, to appoint a Club Manager and set compensation for the Club Manager; to outline the duties of said manager; to set compensation for game directors; and make such other policies as will promote the enjoyment of duplicate bridge for the greatest number of players.

Meeting of the Board: Meetings shall be held at least once each year within thirty days of the election of the members and at such other times as the Chairman or another Board member requests.

Quorum: A quorum shall consist of three members of the Board. Official action shall require approval of a majority of members present at a meeting but never fewer than three approving votes.

Board members shall be elected by the membership at the annual membership meeting held during January of each year. At the first Board meeting each year, the Board shall elect officers. Terms of office shall be two years beginning with the day of the election. The terms shall be

staggered so that only half of the Board is up for election each year. a nominating committee shall submit nominees to the members.

Vacancies: the vice president shall succeed the president. Other vacated, unexpired terms shall be filled by appointment of the president upon approval by of a majority of the remaining board members.

Club Manager

The Board shall appoint a Club Manager (Manager). The Manager shall carry out such duties as defined in the ACBL Handbook for Club Managers. The Manager shall appoint game directors and outline their schedules. The Manager shall carry out such other policies and duties as prescribed by the Board for the smooth operation of the club games.

Club Directors

Weekly duplicate games shall be directed, when possible, by an ACBL certified director. The director shall be in sole charge of the each game, subject only to general guidelines such as number of boards to be played, penalties for slow play, and types of movements established by the board. The director shall turn the results of each game over to the club manager who will certify the winners.

Revision

These Bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the club membership at its annual meeting.