Educational Update for Unit Board meeting Feb 27, 2023

There are 3 bridge courses that have or will start in the first half of 2023 - two at BCON and one at NOTL. Muriel Tremblay is also running a Mentoring session on Wednesday mornings at BCON which started Feb. 8th.

Play of the Hand – BCON – taught by Selina Volpatti

Selina's course is running from Saturday Jan. 7 to March 11, 2023 for 10 weeks. Many of the students from her beginner class have registered for the January course, along with a few others. There are 18 students in the class.

Selina recently submitted the newspaper advertising costs for her Beginner bridge course to the ACBL (from the Fall of 2022) to the ACBL and they agreed to reimburse her for 50% of the \$293.80 costs. Once she receives the funds from the ACBL I will be requesting the balance of funds from the Unit to reimburse Selina.

Beginner course – NOTL – taught by Chandi Jayawardena

Chandi is running another beginner course at NOTL from Friday Jan. 6 to March 3, 2023 for 9 weeks. There are 9 students in the class.

I placed advertisements in the *NOTL Local* paper and in the *St. Catharines Niagara Review* weekly paper. I have applied to the ACBL for the 50% refund on the total costs of \$661.05 for advertising. The ACBL paid \$243.03 U.S. as a subsidy, which converted to \$320.80 Cdn. Therefore I am requesting reimbursement of \$340.25 from Unit 255.

2 over 1 course – BCON – taught by Muriel / Claude Tremblay

Muriel and Claude are offering a 2 over 1 course starting Wednesday April 5, 2023 to run for 8 weeks from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at BCON and targeting intermediate players. Unit 255 agreed to subsidize the cost of materials to the students to a maximum of \$200.00.

That is all for this report.

Submitted by Steve Williams