

THE VILLAGES DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Lake Miona Recreation Center

March 19, 2024

President Jim O'Brien called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM

Attendance: Board Members: Vice President, Nancy Turner; Secretary, Merle Erlich, Dutch Dresser, Margaret Sarno, Vern Sikora, Judy Smith, Jon Williams, and Russ Pearly. Also present were Treasurer, Tom Tessier ; Club Manager, Donna Brown, and Paul Matheson.

The previously distributed February Minutes were approved

Overview of Tom Tessier's January Treasurer's Report: (previously sent out to Board Members)

- February table count was 1,135. We held 110 games.
- Adam Parish Seminar profit was \$984
- Florida annual report was submitted on 2/22/24
- Credit Card processing for special events will be researched by: Dutch Dresser, Judy Smith, Deb Brunoehler, and Harry Messenheimer.
- Account balances as of 2/29/2024: \$82,716
 - checking account balance: \$22,716
 - CD – 6 months is \$20,000
 - CD -12 months is \$40,000
- Equity is \$71,073

	INCOME *	EXPENSE*
GAMES	\$ 18,962	
ACBL FEE		\$ 6,439
DISTRICT 9 FEE		
DIRECTORS		7,933.
CARD PREP		1,556
EDUCATION	350.	200.00
SE CAROLINA ENTRY FEE	202	
SE CAROLINA F2F TABLE	313	
CONTRACT SERVICES		1,600.
OTHER: TOURNAMENT	4,060	1,653.
DEPRECIATION		62.28
STORAGE		122.00
PARRISH SEMINAR	4,200	3,216
REIMBURSED EXPENSES		788.
TOTAL	\$24,189.*	\$ 21,916.

Treasurer Tessier went on to share a Statement of Financial Position Comparison as of February 29,2024

Highlights follow:

	2024	2023
TOTAL BANK ACCOUNT	\$82,717	\$78,944
TOTAL ASSETS	\$91,956	\$86,382
TOTAL REVENUE	\$24,189	\$17,936
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$ 2,273	\$ 982.

.The Treasurer's Report was accepted with thanks from the Board.

At the February, 2024 Board Meeting a working budget for 2024 was accepted. However with the upcoming additional June tournament , adjustments were necessary. The Board voted to modify the budget accordingly.

Old Business:

Alzheimer's Fundraising Game was held on March 17th at Sea Breeze . 88 players participated. All profits over expenses will go to Alzheimer's. Free game plays, 50/50 and candy jar guessing were very successful fundraisers; \$1,049.50 was raised. The next Alzheimer fundraiser will be the June Longest Day event.

Need Clarification on Copy Policy: Traditionally, the Rec Centers have been providing necessary copies to game directors and Club educators. Some Rec Centers are trying to limit these copies. During the discussion of this issue the point was made that all of our players are amenity paying residents and that these copies are necessary to the activity. We will address this with the Villages Park and Recreation Department.

2023 VDBC Play History Analysis: Dutch Dresser provided a detailed analysis comparing our current schedule of play with our actual F2F play in 2023. This was done as an attempt to see how our schedule serves our players at various levels of MP achievement. Some observations are listed below:

- The <100 MP group represents 43% of the participants
- The <500 group represents 24% of the participants
- The <1500 group represents 20% of the participants
- The Open group represents 12% of the participants

Thus, there seems to be a correlation between skill level appropriate opportunities and the number of games played by a MP group. This would suggest that increasing the number of sections of play for our largest MP player populations could significantly increase the number of games played in 2024.

This analysis will be very useful in planning game scheduling going forward.

April Special Games Schedule: Donna Brown submitted the April game schedule .

With the exception of the <20 games, all April games are either Charity Club Championships or Stardust.

These special games will be \$4. The <20 games will be \$3.

ACBL District 9 Suggested tournament changes:

Donna Brown reported that the ACBL has asked us to approve our November , 2024 Tournament as a combination of Regional NLM <750 Tournament which can award gold points and the regularly scheduled open sectional tournament, Also, the January 2025 non-life master tournaments will be replaced by an open sectional tournament.

The Board voted unanimously to approve.

New Business:

- Storage Unit Renewal is coming up.
- Merle will contact Rich Hill re: publicizing our events in the Unit and National publications.
- Follow the Need Charity has asked to publicize their shoe collection charity on our website. Consistent with our past policies, they may leave flyers on front tables not on game tables.
- SE Carolina has asked the Club to market or promote their games.
- Proposed Upcoming Board Meeting Schedule: (Tuesdays and Sundays)
 - April 16 4:30
 - May 19
 - June 16
 - July 14 or 21?
 - August 11 or 18?

The regular April Board of Directors' Meeting will be Tuesday , April 16 at 4:30 pm at Lake Miona Rec Center. (Judy Smith will be excused)

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Merle Erlich, Secretary