

# The Village Card Club, Inc.

## Board of Directors

December 14, 2015

Teri LaBove, President called the meeting to order at 4:20 P.M. Present at the meeting were Teri LaBove, Tony Hoffman, Ned Irving, Mickey Bearden, Donna Herter, Alan Trippel, Suzanne Stofer, Johnnie Niemann and Phil Michaelson. Also present was Greg Frank, Club Manager.

Also attending were 2016 Board Members.

Motion was made by Johnnie Niemann to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of November 16, 2015.

**Motion carried.**

Mickey Bearden, Secretary, read thank you letters from Village Scat Transportation and Ouachita Children's Center for donations received from VCC as a result of our local charity games.

Motion was made by Mickey Bearden to approve the agenda with the addition of a vote to approve Sheila Cosby as Business Manager for two years. **Motion carried.**

### **Officer & Director Reports**

Tony Hoffman-Vice President-Presented to Teri LaBove a Christmas Planter as a gift of appreciation from the Board for her contributions to VCC in 2015.

Mickey Bearden-Secretary-Asked the new board to submit written reports at the 2016 meetings and observe the request to use Word Format, Arial font, 14 pt for Headers and Arial 11 pt. for text. This enables editing without retyping and is in line with the Webmaster request for consistency.

Ned Irving, Treasurer-Has provided to the board e-mail copies of financial reports as of November 30, 2015 and 2015 VCC P&L Summary as of December 5, 2015. These reports are on file with the Secretary.

Johnnie Niemann-Member Services. There are 640 paid members year to date. Three new members were attained in the bring a new member/receive two free game coupons promotion. Clint Jewett, 2016 membership chair, will contact Norma Marvel to determine if she will be able to help with assembling the new membership directories. Report is on file with the Secretary.

Phil Michaelson-Logistics-Presented a Report for 2014-2015. Report on file with the Secretary.

Donna Herter-Marketing-Will present final organizational chart under old business.

Suzanne Stofer-Player Development & Education-First e-blast has been sent regarding next year's Learn to Play Bridge In A Day? program and 3 applicants have already been received. District and Unit Fund education reimbursements for entry level classes. have not been received and are estimated to be approximately \$1300. Spring 2016 Mentoring Sessions will be at 9AM on February 9 and 23, March 8 and 22 and April 5 and 19. Details are on the Education Bulletin Board.

Alan Trippel-Program Director-Will present 2016 Game Calendar under new business.

Greg Frank-Club Manager-Researching with ACBL ways of dealing with Conduct and Ethics at club level. Has filed with ACBL for Sanctions regarding the Game Sessions for 2016.

**Old Business**-Organizational Chart-Donna presented the final recommended format for the organization chart with changes based on past discussions by the board. Mickey Bearden moved that the Organizational Chart, as corrected, be approved. **Motion carried.** Donna will forward the chart to Russ Choyce, Webmaster, for completion. It will contain the 2016 Board with pictures and a link to their job description.

Business Manager-Phil Michaelson moved to approve Sheila Cosby as Business Manager for the next two years. **Motion carried.**

**New Business**-E-mail vote to change phone service to Magic Jack-Mickey Bearden made a motion to ratify the unanimous e-mail vote to terminate our AT&T service and change to Magic Jack. **Motion carried.** This change will result in a \$700 a year savings.

Rueful Rabbbit-Greg Frank-David Albrecht, author of the bridge column, "Rueful Rabbit", has asked that the board consider introducing his material by forwarding his email, signing up the club for a free subscription or print one of his issues and post on the bulletin board. Greg Frank will contact Albrecht but does not recommend that we become affiliated officially with his publication. He will work with Donna Herter to include mention of the column in an e-mail blast.

2016 Game Calendar-Alan Trippel-The 2016 Game Calendar contains fewer NAP Games for June, July and August. Stac week dates have not been made available from Deb Phillips and will be added when received. Copy of the new game calendar with changes will be given to Jerry Bertrant-2016 Game Coordinator. 1/30/15 District NAP Finals will be a B-C Flight only, no flight A. Mid year membership meeting will be added to the calendar. Donna Herter moved that we accept the preliminary calendar with changes. **Motion carried.** The 2016 Board will vote on approving the calendar when finalized.

Change in Fiscal Policy # 12. Greg Frank proposed that under d. strike thru \$20 bill and insert 8-game sheet of table fee coupons. This will simplify and amend that policy for Game Coordinators (Rubber Bridge & Better Bridgers) who also participate in some of our games. Mickey Bearden moved that Fiscal Policy # 2-d-should be changed to read: card plus 8-game sheet of table fee coupons to Game Coordinators (Better Bridgers, Rubber Bridge) presented by Club Manager. **Motion carried.**

Change in Fiscal Policy # 4. Player Development no longer sells Game Coupons and #4 should be changed to read: Revenues derived from the sale of Game Coupons are to be reported on a Miscellaneous Income Report and a Bank Deposit prepared and submitted as above. Donna Herter moved that the recommended change to Policy # 4 be approved. **Motion carried.**

The next board meeting date is the decision of the 2016 President.

Teri LaBove thanked the outgoing board for their service.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Mickey Bearden

2015 Secretary