

THE VILLAGE CARD CLUB, INC.  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, February 12, 2018

Peggy Ross, President called the meeting to order at 4:16 p.m. In attendance were board members, Teri LaBove, Andy Cosby, Alan Trippel, Carole Trainer, Gina DeThomas, Cathy Bertrand, and Greg Frank. Annie Dethardt and Mary Jenkins were absent.

Peggy Ross asked for any corrections to the January 8, 2018 meeting minutes. There was one change to the minutes: The statement "Teri LaBove submitted a request for reimbursement for Easy Bridge classes advertised in the Voice beginning January 1-9, plus an article in the Club Calendar." should read "the VCC received the ACBL reimbursement for the 2017 fall education advertising."

The change and Minutes were approved.

### Old Business:

Teri put forth the following motion via email to change SR 19b:

From: If one or more members attain LM, during the year, they shall be honored at a Life Master Party. The New Life Masters play free that day.

To: If one or more members attain Life Master during the previous year or before the Life Master Party, they shall be honored at a Life Master Party ( usually held on the fourth Thursday of January). The New Life Masters play free at the Life Master party.

The motion was approved by email vote.

### Director and Officer Reports

Annie Dethardt by email reported 484 paid for 2018 and 122 2017 members not yet paid/renewed.

A copy of Mary Jenkins financial projections report on the need to raise dues was given to all board members to ponder until the next meeting in March when she will put it on the agenda.

Greg Frank met with 2 POA members about renewing our lease which ends in October. He thinks there may not be a big difference if we can make some considerations. They will meet again in the next few weeks to consider ways to keep the cost down.

Teri LaBove stated that E-blasts for Recreations are now being sent out by the POA and should save the club money on advertising. She also said that the club has a representative at every

monthly Newcomer meeting with flyers and pamphlets. Starting up an Open House again was recommended and discussed.

Alan Trippel reported that an electronic survey was sent out to players with less than 500 points to gauge their interest in more education. The most popular subjects were 1) Conventions, 2) Losing Trick Count, 3) Defense, 4) Law of Total Tricks, and 5) Laws of Duplicate Bridge. Experiments over the next 6 months will try to increase participation. A question and answer post mortem after lower level games was discussed.

Cathy Bertrand asked for guidance on who should order what. She was told that Greg Frank and Tricia Adcock were her main sources. She stated a need for more storage space and will be figuring that out.

## NEW BUSINESS

Alan Trippel made a motion to change the Standing Rule concerning committees to have no more than 4 members plus a chairman on a committee. The vote passed, 6 for and 1 opposed.

Peggy Ross made a motion that the board approve her list of committee members which passed, 6 for and 1 opposed. Social games committees will be dealt with later.

The next board meeting will be March 5 due to a show at the Woodlands on the 12th, the usual date.

Peggy Ross made a motion to adjourn at 5:52 p.m. Motion passed.

Submitted by Carole Trainer, VCC 2018 Secretary