

THE VILLAGE CARD CLUB, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, March 5, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 4:20. In attendance were Peggy Ross, Cathy Bertrand, Gina DeThomas, Carole Trainer, Andy Cosby, Greg Frank, Alan Trippel, Mary Jenkins, Annie Dethardt, Debbie Halliday, and Teri LaBove.

The February minutes were approved.

Old Business: NA

Director and Officer Reports

Annie Dethardt reported current membership is now 507 including 24 over 85 years old and 7 past presidents. 107 members have not renewed. New membership directories cost \$292 for a cost of 58 cents per book. 500 books were made. Extras will be sold for \$1 each after Wednesday. The entire board will receive an email listing the standing of all members.

Teri LaBove said all communications ads are in and she has been receiving suggestions for more.

Debbie Halliday passed out drawings of pie charts illustrating a summary of expenses. Much discussion followed on the how, when, and how much to raise playing fees.

Andy Cosby said the table count for February was up 2.3% from last February and seems to be leveling off.

Alan Trippel proposed an Open House from an education perspective, including cribbage and pinochle. Current courses are doing well he said.

NEW BUSINESS

Mary Jenkins made a motion to revise the job descriptions for Treasurer and the Business Manager, which was passed so the by-laws will need to be changed. She passed out analyses of the financial projections using different costs, and suggested the need to educate the membership on the reasons for raising playing fees. The vote was 5 to 4 in favor of a raise to \$4 plus \$1 on premium games. Everyone was in favor of a general membership meeting on April 12th after the tournament to vote on this. She offered to prepare something simple right away to explain the urgency of a raise in playing fees to members.

Greg Frank passed around information on purchasing Bridgemates and the need for them. The purchase price of \$6051 for 40 including 2 servers and 2 carrying cases would come from Betty Wigton's donation. This was approved by email the next day.

He also asked for a vote to approve the purchase of an ice maker that Wally Johnson researched and recommended. The vote passed unanimously. Cost is \$2489 and should be installed next week.

Then there was a brief discussion of future lease negotiations and the POA using some of our space when available that Greg and his committee are working on.

Motion was made to adjourn at 5:45 p.m. Motion passed.

Submitted by Carole Trainer, VCC 2018 Secretary