

THE VILLAGE CARD CLUB, INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, May 08, 2017

Duane Hall, President called the meeting to order at 4:22 p.m. In attendance were board members Scott Luchesi, Teri LaBove, Peggy Ross, Andy Cosby, Annie Dethardt, Suzanne Stofer, Mary Jenkins and Lee Casteel. Greg Frank, Club Manager and Debbie Holliday, Business Manager were present.

Duane Hall asked for any corrections or additions of the April 10, 2017 board meeting minutes. There were none and minutes were approved. Duane then asked that two additions be added to the meeting agenda. The first addition was a confirmation of the e-mail votes for the Cribbage Club joining the Village Card Club. The second addition was a proposal by Andy Cosby to add a new Standing Rule #7 (Kibitzing) and a new Standing Rule #10 with renumbering current Standing Rules. The board confirmed the e-mail votes and agreed to add the proposed changes to the Standing Rules to the agenda. He also asked that the Spring Fling results be continued to the June, 2017 meeting in order for Dick Condon to present.

Due to the number of audience members present and wanting to speak regarding the proposals of amending the Standing Rules, Duane Hall asked to suspend the regular reports and agenda in order to hear from those members first. Several spoke regarding current Standing Rule #7 (and the proposed Standing Rule #10) who emphasized that as the rule is currently written, no redress is available if the Club Manager decides the complaint will go no further. One indicated the DIC is supervised by the Club Manager and has no recourse if the Club Manager is involved in the incident. Another believed more than one person should be involved in making these decisions for impartiality and fairness. Some indicated that the DIC should not bypass the Club Manager to go directly to the Conduct and Ethics committee (C&E).

Others voiced their opinions of the proposed Standing Rule # 7 regarding kibitzing. Most said it was fun and enjoyed watching others. One member asked the difference of kibitzing and talking about the hands after being played. The difference was explained by Andy Cosby.

After hearing the opinions of the audience members and much discussion by the Board Members, the proposal by Andy Cosby to change Standing Rule #10 was voted upon. Motion was not approved.

After more discussion, Duane Hall then made the motion that the Standing Rules include the following: **The Club Manager (CM) will review every Incident Report Form (IRF) with the Club President (CP) and if they (CM and CP) disagree on the merits of the incident, then they will involve the Chair of the Conduct and Ethics Com-**

mittee as the two-one (2-1) decision maker. The Zero Tolerance Policy (ZTP) will continue through the process flow according to the decision. Motion passed

Andy Cosby made a motion to amend Standing Rule #7 regarding kibitzing. The motion passed. **Kibitzing: ACBL's guidelines for the behavior of kibitzers applies to all VCC events. A player who is sitting out may not kibitz a board he has already played. He may, though, with permission from the participants, kibitz the boards he would have played were he not sitting out, but he must be silent throughout the round.**

New Business: Scott Luchesi reported he has the wording for the Tony Hoffman Plaque and it will be ordered and engraved shortly.

Duane Hall announced the Semi-Annual meeting will be June 08, 2017 after the games and as soon as we have a quorum.

Mary Jenkins will be investing funds into interest bearing accounts at Relyance Bank which is where the VCC accounts currently are kept. She is shopping our general liability policy for best rates and coverage.

Duane Hall said he wants to get the Finance Committee and Long Range Planning Committee together to discuss looking at the VCC financials and expenses. He wants to do this after the tournament.

Suzanne Stofer said she will bring and present the plan for Education at the June 2017 meeting.

Annie Dethardt reported the VCC now has five hundred and twenty four members (524).

Teri LaBove indicated the marketing committee is advertising the VCC.

Peggy Ross made a motion to adjourn at 5:55p.m. Motion passed.

The next regular board meeting will be held June 05, 2017 after the games.

Submitted by
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2017 VCC Secretary