

**The Village Card Club, Inc.**

Board of Directors Meeting

November 11, 2014

Andy Cosby, President, called the meeting to order at 4:28 PM.

Attending: Andy Cosby, Elaine Weeter, Suzanne Stofer, Dick Condon, Doris Waugh, Phil Michaelson, Norma Marvel, Alan Trippel. Absent: Donna Herter and Greg Frank, Club Manager

Minutes for October 14, 2014 board meeting were approved as submitted. Minutes for October 22, 2014 Special Board Meeting were approved as corrected.

SPECIAL REPORT: Ron Trainer presented the report of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

DIRECTOR REPORTS:

Finance: Dick reported that the current balance financial balance as of October 31, is \$50,646, an increase of \$7000 over the balance as of October 31, 2013.

Member Services: Norma reported that 197 memberships for 2015 had been received to date. She also reported that the Election Committee has posted resumes for candidates for office and that the date of the Annual Meeting is December 11<sup>th</sup>.

Player Development: Suzanne reported that the VCC education and mentoring committees have been working on a joint venture with the Little Rock club, and possibly going forward, the Hot Springs club to assemble/create a combined set of player development materials/ lessons that address the most common needs of current and new bridge players. The benefit of this effort will result in shared materials that will eliminate the need for each club to "re-invent the wheel" and developed their own set of lesson materials.

Program: Alan stated that the goal of his committee was to increase overall member participation in the regular daily/weekly events the VCC. He presented a game schedule that highlighted 3 daily games that currently have very low attendance and that his committee may recommend be replaced with other types of events. Alan also presented a comprehensive analysis of participation levels on a weekly basis for each of the MP strata. He hopes that these tools and other in depth analysis will help the committee determine what could be the best mix of scheduled games that will result in the highest levels of participation going forward.

Old Business: The Board ratified the results of the October 25-27 email balloting that confirmed the appointment of Greg Frank as Club Manager and Alan Trippel as Program Director effective November 1.

The discussion of a possible motion to amend GDPM Section VI H cc was tabled to allow Alan and Greg sufficient time to confer on the issues.

New Business: Elaine moved to rescind the Sectional Tournament Policies Section 5 (requiring that all meals be fully charged out to the players). Motion defeated. Dick moved to amend the Sectional Tournament Policies Section 5 to read: "A free lunch will be provided to all play-through participants in the Friday and Saturday events." Motion adopted.

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Weeter, Secretary