THE VILLAGES DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2016

<u>CALL TO ORDER:</u> The meeting began at 4:31 pm at The Lake Miona Recreation Center. Alex Booke, Charles Showalter, Bob Matthews, Gene Rodriguez, Paul Matheson and Mike Lotti were in attendance.

<u>Prior minutes:</u> The prior month's minutes were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Mike Lotti stated that we are 2.1% ahead of last November. Overall, we have a 15% increase in tables for the year.

<u>CLUB MANAGER:</u> The Board voted to make Alex Booke our new Club Manager!! This change will take place at the first meeting of the new board.

LAKE MIONA CLOSING: There will be no game on 1/7 and 4/15. One possibility is to have an Open Game at Colony. The Swiss Team game on 1/8 is cancelled as well.

SWISS TEAMS: Eight is enough will return in January!! The game will be played on the 4th Sunday of the month. 0 to 499 NLM will be 1's, LM to 1500 will be 2's and over 1500 will be 3's. Joan Colbert and B J Chiota will coordinate partnerships. Be advised, that you must accept the partnership that has been assigned to you. As always, you are free to establish your own team.

The 1st Sunday will be an open game. The 2nd Sunday will be 499er NLM game. The 3rd Sunday will be a Mentor/Mentee game.

TRAVEL CLEARINGHOUSE: Starting in February, Miss Joyce Jackson will become the travel coordinator for our club. She will put players that either need a ride or who are offering a ride to outside tournaments in contact with each other. The rest is up to you!!

<u>ONLINE GOLD RUSH PAIRS:</u> This event will be held on Monday , January 23^{rd} . The cost is \$26 per person with starting times of 10:00 am and 2:00 pm. The venue will be posted on the website.

FRANK STEWART SEMINAR: Mr. Stewart will present topics geared for advanced beginners to intermediate players. The cost is \$80, which includes handouts and lunch. Mr. Stewart will be donating his fee to charity!!!

BALLOT COUNT: In a very close race, Carol Ketterer and Bev Parrish were elected to three year terms and Jeff Koltenuk will replace me on The Board for a two year term. I had to resign for health reasons. I want to thank every person who thought enough of me to vote me in last year!!!

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held 1/10/17. DON'T FORGET TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD JANUARY 22nd AT SEA BREEZE AT 1:00 pm

ADJOURNMENT : The meeting ended at 6:02 pm.

Gene Rodriguez