The Villages Duplicate Bridge Club Minutes of June 14, 2016 Board Meeting

Call to order: Alex Booke called the meeting to order at 4:40 pm.

<u>Members present:</u> Charles Showalter, Janet Dunn, Jane Hudson, Bob Matthews, Pat Ford and Gene Rodriguez. Guests: Paul Matheson and Mike Lotti.

Prior minutes: The May minutes were unanimously approved.

<u>Financial report:</u> Mike Lotti stated that our table count has grown by 13%! These figures are exclusive of our Sectional count.

The ACBL has increased their per table fee from \$.74 to \$1.00. This will result in an increase of approximately \$1570.

<u>Sectional report:</u> Our event was a great success. Club members who participated in Tampa were told that we ran a superior event and that they were looking forward to coming back.

Off season planning: The Club will not make any seasonal adjustments this year.

499er Sectional: All is proceeding on schedule.

<u>Unit meeting report:</u> Charles Showalter is an advisor to our local unit. As an advisor, Mr. Showalter has no voting rights. We will research the feasibility of becoming a voting member of the unit.

New business: The Friday night game will begin stratification by pair average starting immediately!!

ACBL Bulletin monthly contributor Jerry Helms may be coming to The Villages.

The Board unanimously passed a policy which stated that instructors are to be paid by check only after submitting a bill detailing the amount to be paid for services and the amount of expenses related to the class.

The BOD has authorized a change in the procedure used by Directors for handling their game receipts. Directors are now allowed to make deposits directly into The Club's checking account. The BOD also voted to have a new procedure for The Directors where the game receipts are insufficient to cover The Director fee. The BOD then directed Mike Lotti and Paul Matheson to develop a plan to implement these changes.

The wifi tournament held 6/6 was deemed a success and expansion is being considered. The Villages Marketing Department is designing a logo for our club. Marilyn Hubbard has Board support to meet with Marketing about the logo.

The club has made changes to The Appeals Committee that are now on our website. There is a possibility that our club will begin teaching Bridge to The Villages Charter School Junior High and High School students.

Comment [g1]:

 $\underline{\textbf{Next meeting:}} \ \textbf{There will be no meeting in July. Our next meeting will be held Tuesday, August the second .}$

Adjourn: The meeting ended at 5:30 pm.

Gene Rodriguez