

THE VILLAGES DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

CALL TO ORDER: 4:00 via Video Conferencing call

NOTE OF MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Matthews, Sally Gauthier, Charlie Showalter, Gordon Pfeiffer, Dave Hudson. Late arrivals were Nancy Brickley, Nancy Turner, Nancy Jaffe and Harry Friedman.

OTHER CLUB MEMBERS PRESENT: Paul Matheson (Club Liaison to the Unit), Alex Booke (Club Manager), Mike Lotti (Club Treasurer), Carol Ketterer (Mentor/Mentee Coordinator) and Janet Matthews (BBO Administrator for the Club).

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: Accepted other than the Treasurer's Report which will be rewritten by Mike Lotti and sent to Nancy Jaffe for correction. This section will be revisited at our next meeting.

RATIFICATION OF DECISIONS ON FREE PLAY COMPENSATION REINSTATEMENT AND COMPENSATION OF CLUB RECORDER: Gordon Pfeiffer administers the Free Play Program for us. Anyone with free play cards can use them now. Those people with unlimited free play who are working now will be reimbursed for their costs to play. Since they can only be used while the person is doing their job and they can play as many times as they want, Janet Matthews will once a month monitor how many times a person has played and instruct the Treasurer to send that amount directly to the person. Only one person, Pat Pointinger who is the newsletter editor, is active in her role during the pandemic, so she is the only one Janet needs to monitor. As of now, Pat isn't playing on BBO but she will be notified that she will be able to be reimbursed. Gordon will mail the limited free play cards from the various people who hold them, with a limit of 40 free plays per month. He must receive the cards by the 15th of the month and on the 16th Gordon will send a report to Janet and Mike about the number of free plays to be paid. By the 25th, Janet Matthews will transfer BBO money to their accounts, which gives the Treasurer enough time to have sent Janet a check to cover the

costs. The Board voted to increase the compensation of the Club Recorder from \$100 to \$200 per month while we are engaged in using the BBO platform for online virtual club games. Such increase will be retroactive to 7/1/20 and will continue until we are either back to normal or we are informed by the Recorder that his workload has lessened and returned to the pre-Covid 19 levels.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The revenue for August was about \$15500. And the net was approximately \$5741. The Club's net asset are about \$69000. The charity check which we sent to the House of Hope was never cashed. Alex will contact them to troubleshoot this and let Mike Lotti know what he should do to resolve this situation.

FUNDING OF ACBL FEES FOR NEWCOMERS: Paul Matheson contacted all of the class members in question and received no responses.

PREPARATIONS FOR ELECTIONS: Sally Gauthier, Nancy Turner and Gordon Pfeiffer are the committee charged with getting 3 candidates to replace the retiring Board members for the upcoming new year. We will advertise that we are looking for candidates both through the Eblast and the Club website. Paper votes will only be for those with no email address . The paper votes will be able to be fed into the system but must be set up in advance. We have several different data bases. We will merge Janet Matthews and Vikie Adams data bases and use them to generate a voting list. It will include everyone who has played at least one game since 11/1/19 and who are Villages residents. The Eblast and website will say that we will do our best to contact all with the right to vote. If a ballot has not been received by someone who has a right to vote they should contact Gordon Pfeiffer to get one.

ONGOING SITUATION OF INTEGRITY ISSUES ON BBO: Russ Pearly reports that the issue that he referred to the ACBL has still not been resolved and that we now have a second pair he is looking into. The person discussed at the last meeting has now apologized. Russ will let the Board know of the resolution of any of the outstanding issues.

REPORT OF ONLINE CLASSS PREPARATION BY RICH SEIDMAN: He is using SharkBridge and expects to be up and running in January.

CLARIFICATION OF INSURANCE COVER: We currently pay for a bond which covers us from damage caused by dishonest employees. Mike Lotti suggested that we get rid of this expense since we have no employees, only independent contractors who would not be covered by this insurance. There is other insurance to protect the Director and Officers of the Club and Alex will look further into that insurance.

OTHER BUSINESS: We must change the Club address to Alex Boone's home address. The current address being used is Laurel Manor and that is not working for us.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING: October 20, 2020 at 4 pm via Zoom

Meeting ended at 5:30.

Sincerely,

Sally Gauthier, Secretary of the Board