

THE VILLAGES DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

APRIL 21, 2021

Members present on Zoom: Bob Matthews, Paul Matheson, Charlie Showalter, Dave Hudson, Nancy Jaffe, Nancy Turner, Nancy Brickley, Carol Ketterer, Diane Ruggiero. Also present are Susan Fraser, Treasurer, Alex Booke, Club Manager, Russ Pearly, Club Recorder, Rick Gauthier as Head Director. Janet Matthews as BBO Director. Jim Dick sent apologies for his absence.

Minutes accepted from March 16, 2021 meeting.

Treasures Report- Susan Fraser: The tax return was accepted and posted to the web site. Susan will need to meet with Jim Dick, Rick Gauthier, Janet Matthews and Rich Seidman regarding transmission of game information to Susan once the games start F2F. With the new program, the process has changed. Susan will set up that meeting. Susan has been working with Gordon so he can learn the new system as backup.

Susan suggests a quarterly report be issued for charity contributions. For the first quarter of 2021 the amount is \$4865. An additional \$2744 is new in April. All have gone to ACBL charity education programs thus far. We play in charity games primarily because they dispense higher points to our members.

Bob reported on the meeting with The Villages regarding face- to- face reopening. The VDBC will not be allowed to request only vaccinated members play in F2F games. So far, TV has only "requested" masks be worn and the VDBC cannot mandate mask wearing at this time. TV has agreed to paying for the set up of venues south of Rt 44- all supplies for 28 tables, with the exception of the computer, mouse, printer and clock. They have also agreed to purchasing one new dealing machine, along with 141 dozen new decks of cards.

Results of the member survey on startup- Bob suggests we open certain games to those with full vaccines plus 14 days and go on the honor system. Per Rick we do have Directors willing to direct those games. Currently we are authorized to open only one F2F game per week by ACBL. The general consensus is that it will take four weeks to start up a game with checking all electronics, re-education of Directors, etc. Per Rick, there are currently 6 Directors willing to unrestricted game directing. It is recommended we start slowly, and aim for July 1, 2021 as a F2F start up date. The most popular games are afternoons at Laurel Manor, Lake Miona and Seabreeze. These are also the most centrally located games. Janet will also need to restart the reservation system. Initially, we will be limited to 14 tables. Members will get more points if playing on- line with BBO than if they play F2F. Paul, Janet and Rick will form a small group to work on logistics of level of play at the centers to start.

Janet announced that BBO is working on a video chat capability. There are still some glitches and there would be a small charge for this service.

Bylaw Discussion presented by Nancy Bickley- The proposed Conflict of Interest Policy was approved. Nancy stated that Deb (webmaster) is working on "cleaning up" the web page so that policies, etc. can be more easily found. It was decided that the Treasurer and Club Manager are officers but non- voting members of the board. The President, Vice President and Secretary are the only voting officers and are elected by the Board. Nancy and Diane will continue to work on wording of the by-laws but all seem to feel we are close to completing this review.

Vote taken to allow Janet to purchase additional screens for use during BBO

GNT Swiss Teams club Qualifier notice was not received. Carol, Janet and others are working to get the information out to the club.

Nancy Jaffe will not be in attendance at the June meeting and Bob asked for someone to take the minutes of that meeting. There were no volunteers.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2021. This date conflicts with the GMT swiss and may need to be adjusted.

Submitted by Nancy Jaffe.