

THE VILLAGES DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MAY 17, 2022

Members present: Paul Matheson (president), Nancy Jaffe (secretary), Nancy Turner, Nancy Brickley, Diane Ruggerio, Jon Williams, Margaret Sarno and Carol Ketterer (vice president) via Zoom. Russ Pearly is excused.

Also present are Bob Matthews (head director), Janet Matthews (BBO Director). Tom Tessler (treasurer) is excused.

The minutes from the April meeting are approved.

Ratification of votes taken by the BOD after April's meeting: It was agreed to schedule a game at Ezell Rec Center starting on Thursday, June 2, 2022. Stratifications to be decided. Because the Lake Miona site is closed for repairs May 31, that game will be held in conjunction with the Eisenhower under 500 game and the Wednesday, May 25th game will be held at Mulberry Recreation Center. Rich Seidman was authorized to spend up to \$500 to replace the computer at Laural Manor which is no longer functional. Rich Seidman was authorized to spend \$100 to purchase computer accessories.

The amount lost in April was \$3112. The clubs total balance is now \$96,139. Paul reported on the table count necessary to make a profit. On f2f- 10 tables are needed with no special games and 14.5 are needed with special games. On BBO- 5 tables are needed with out special games and 9 with special games. This does not include overhead such as director fees, etc.

Head Director Report- Laural Manor would like the club to turn back in the time slots of the Monday and/or Friday night games. Bob negotiated that we would give up the Monday evening time but retain the Friday one. Post Covid it was noted that we have lost 29% of our players. 32% only play f2f and 39% only play on BBO. A committee was formed to include Jon(chair), Diane, Janet and Bob to work on game schedules going forward. Bob presented a suggestion that we look at the pay structure for the directors. On BBO those who simultaneously direct 2 separate games will get a total of \$75 instead of \$100. This will begin June 1, 2022. The base rate for f2f who are directing 2 different stratification events at the same time will be paid \$110. June 1 is the start date. Both suggestions were approved.

Partnership finding- After much discussion, it was decided to improve the membership site online. There will be a link added so that once the chosen person's email is clicked on, you will be sent directly to their email to leave a message. Also, all are strongly encouraged to leave a phone number in the re- added column to improve communication.

Paul announced that tournaments are at approximately 40% of pre covid attendance.

Discussion on club by-laws and voting rights. A solution was found for merging links to obtain a more accurate member voting list for elections in the fall.

Education Program- Jon Greenspan's proposal was denied. Marilyn Schmidt has obtained a contract with Rober Todd for a full day presentation in the Villages on February 25, 2023. Details to follow.

June Sectional by Nancy Jaffe- Together with Nancy Turner the food plan is coming together. Lunch will be available on Monday during the Swiss Game. Snacks will be provided Saturday and Sunday. Hotel reservations were made for the visiting ACBL director. A second meeting with the Savannah representative will happen this Friday to finalize plans. A Covid policy was established in compliance with the ACBL guidelines. A bank of \$200 will be obtained to make change. Jim Dick is prepared to take credit card payments if anyone needs that.

The next board meeting is on June 21, 2022, at 4:30. Paul will not be available, and Carol Ketterer has agreed to chair the meeting.

Submitted by Nancy Jaffe, secretary