

THE VILLAGES DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB
MINUTES MARCH 17, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT: TOM BUSH, JACK FISHER, PAT FORD, BONNIE OVERSON, NEIL TIMM, DOUG WORTHINGTON, PAT POITINGER

This special meeting to discuss the proposed change of time for evening games was called to order by Tom Bush at 5:15 P.M. at the Laurel Manor Recreation Center.

Tom reported that Janet Tutt released us from the mandatory 10 P.M. departure time. The Villages will not charge us additional fees if we run over the 10 P.M. target; however, we should still strive to be out by 10 P.M. Pat Ford reported that the permit will still read 9:50 P.M. departure.

Jack Fisher reported his findings on a hand survey taken at some of the games this past week, indicating the membership is in favor of a time change, 3 to 1.

Following discussion, Jack Fisher made the motion to move the starting time for the Monday, Thursday and Friday games from 6 P.M. to 6:30 P.M., starting next Monday March 24. The motion was seconded by Neil Timm. The motion was approved by a vote of 5 to 1.

Tom Bush will convey this change to the Game Directors.

Pat Poitinger suggested we ask the membership to refrain from hovering around the Game Director when he/she is recording the scores. This practice slows the Game Director and errors can be made more easily. It would be helpful if the membership spent that time more efficiently by cleaning their table, putting bidding boxes in their place, placing chairs neatly at each table, and discarding trash. This would also help Pat Ford. The members of the Board thought this was a good idea.

Tom Bush will update the 2008 Special Games Report. The Villages Duplicate Games yellow card will reflect the time change the next time cards are ordered.

299er GAME: Tom reported that the first 299er game was a grand success with 16 tables.

ZERO TOLERANCE: The Zero Tolerance cards will be attached to the money envelopes today, and the Game Directors will enforce the policy, backed by The Board.

Jack Fisher made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Doug Worthington. The next meeting is scheduled on Monday, April 7, at 5 P.M. at Laurel Manor Recreation Center.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Poitinger, Secretary