

THE VILLAGES DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB  
MINUTES JANUARY 21, 2008 BOARD MEETING

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

The meeting was called to order by Neil Timm at 5:00 P.M. at the Laurel Manor Recreation Center. The minutes of the January 14 Annual Meeting were approved.

ELECTION OF NEW BOARD PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY: Neil took nominations from the floor to fill the positions of President and Secretary. Pat Ford nominated Tom Bush as President and Pat Poitinger as Secretary. They were both unanimously elected to serve in those positions.

Tom Bush, President, thanked Neil Timm for his contribution to the Board. He also paid tribute to the two outgoing members, Mary Scanlan and Shirley Wigner.

FINAL EXPENSES FOR 2007 AND IRS FORMS: Jack Fisher distributed handouts of the third quarter and end-of-year financial reports. The end-of-year financial report will be available on the web site.

Jack will submit the 503C IRS form for non-profit organizations to the IRS, and he will also submit the 1099 forms pertaining to our bridge directors.

The only outstanding expense is a \$247 December table fee which will be paid to the ACBL this month.

It was noted the total number of playing tables increased to 4106, representing about a 5% increase for the year.

Jack made the motion to give Pat Ford a \$200 bonus and Marilyn Fulton a \$100 bonus. The motion was seconded and passed.

PROJECTIONS OF EXPENSES AND INCOME FOR 2008: Jack Fisher projected a 5% increase in table fees and a 5 ½ % increase in director fees. Jack projects net income for the year 2008 to be approximately \$1,000.

Jack is projecting the Annual Assessment to ACBL and table fees of \$.75 to remain the same.

RULES AND REGULATIONS: The Board Members accepted and passed the wording of the **New Member Packages and Game Fees**. It reads:

Directors will provide all new Club Members with a copy of the Game Schedule Card and the Web site for the Club. The Web site will contain the Club Directory, Special Games, the Club's Constitution and By-Laws, and Procedures. Game directors will have one hard copy of these items at all Club Games for members to read if they do not have access to the Web site.

Non-resident Guests of members shall pay an additional two dollars per game.

DISCUSSION OF THE ELECTION PROCESS USED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING:

Discussion took place regarding the procedure of voting and the section of the By-Laws pertaining to voting was read. Art Schwartz suggested a voting ballot where names would be listed. If there are floor nominations, each voter would need to write that name on their ballot if

they choose to vote for one of the floor nominees. It was emphasized that only one vote per nominee is allowed. Art's suggestion was unanimously accepted.

MEMBER COMMENTS: Tom Bush, President, asked about holding a game on Friday, July 4. Pat Ford said she would check on the availability of Laurel Manor.

Tom also set the meeting dates for the Board. The meetings will begin at 5:00 P.M.

February 18

April 7

July 7

October 6

January 12

February 2 Annual Membership Meeting

The next Board meeting will be held on Monday, February 18, at 5:00 P.M. at Laurel Manor.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Poitinger, Secretary

ADDENDUM: The February 18 meeting has been changed to Monday, February 25, beginning at 4:45 P.M.