

Village Card Club  
Board of Directors Meeting  
February, 9 2012

Andy Cosby called the meeting to order at 4:20

Attending: Annette Bono, Clark Vernon, Marcie Bearden, Teri LaBove, Marge Gortsema, Johnnie Niemann, Kathie Riedel, Andy Cosby

Absent: Becky Rice, Rick Wendricks

The minutes of the January 12 board meetings were approved.

Officer & Director Reports:

Logistics, Marcie Bearden: purchased a new printer. It has been received. The main purpose is to be able to print pictures at the Bridge Center.

Member Services Director, Johnnie Niemann: Membership is at 682 to date. The membership booklet has gone to print and should be ready the 3rd week of February.

Publicity, Annette Bono:

1. A mass e-mail over 500 will cost an additional \$50. To avoid this charge any such e-mail could be sent in 2 groups so that each mailing will have less than 500. Annette will make a final decision on how she wants to handle this since we have already gone over 500.
2. Our club is registered for the year with the POA.
3. Our games are shown in the Village Voice on the Community Calendar page. Any special events will be shown on the Clubs page.
4. Our club brochure is being modified but is well under way.
5. Arkansas Life magazine may do a feature on our club.

Treasurer, Clark Vernon: Read the current financials. Advised that our club currently uses the Discover card issued to Chuck Staffer. We are applying for a credit card from Regions Bank to replace this card. Indications are that Regions only issues Visa cards. If Regions issues Mastercards that is our card of choice because Sam's accepts that card, and that is the card we will request.

Program Director, Terri LaBove:

1. The total table count for January 2011 was 707 and for 2012 was 891. This was up because we had no closings due to bad weather. The cold weather that we did have, brought out more players to the club. Our Celebration Party brought in more tables in the Sanction and Non Sanction Games. Our Easybridge program brought in extra tables this year.
2. Annually, Little Rock, will have a Lower Strat Tournament. We will cancel our lower strat games for those 3 days.
3. Individual games will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. Board and Match games are on the web calendar.

Player Development: Marge Gortserna: Free play tickets are available again. We have an account with Not Just Shipping and can order more when needed.

President, Andy Cosby:

1. Presented a chart showing room usage on a monthly basis.
2. It is anticipated that the Spring Fling Tournament will draw significantly fewer players this year because there will be many more tournaments on these days than previously, including the Nationals in Memphis. This will cause a reduction in income. This year we will no longer provide a free lunch or open bar. We will take orders for lunch and have it delivered.

New Business

Clark Vernon moved and Terri Labove seconded that the club is authorized to seek up to a \$3000 credit limit for purchases from Sam's if and only if a Mastercard is not obtainable from Regions Bank

The club will be hosting Grand Nation in March. Costs will be provided to the board next month.

Ned Irving has requested the use of HSV dealing machines and bridge pads for the Regional. Although no resolution was voted on the general consensus was agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathie Riedel

Secretary