

*The Meadows Golf Club
Minutes of the Board of Directors
Thursday, December 15, 2005*

Call to Order – Roll Call

Tommy Erbert, President of The Meadows Golf Club (TMGC), called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. at Ben Blea's Office Complex. Other directors present were: Brian Benedict, Vice President, Walt Jackson, Secretary, Bill Pierpoint, Treasurer, Pat Amato, Rick Becker, Justin Borzych, Bob Branson, Brad Bryant, Jeff Galgocy, Don Gould, Mike Hickey, Craig Sharbonno, and Chip Verrill. Also present were Ben Blea, Eric Rhodes and Bruce Stewart, Board Co-Advisors.

Consideration of Meeting Minutes

Consideration was given to the Board of Directors meeting minutes of November 10th, 2005. Don Gould made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Bill Pierpoint, and the motion passed unanimously.

President's Report

Tommy Erbert observed that we have on our Board of Directors a member whose mother is now a Doctor! Justin Borzych's Mom has earned a PhD in philosophy, and those present extended a round of applause in recognition of that accomplishment. Tommy also noted that the Club-retained Pro Shop monies of this prior year have been spent on prizes for next season's Spring Tee Off Party. Don Gould and Tommy will meet with Greg Vialpando in the near term to discuss plans for the membership book. Tommy also said that he and the officers held their budget meeting, that Bill Pierpoint had sent out the proposed budget to the Board, and that this would be discussed later in tonight's meeting.

Secretary's Report

Walt Jackson made a motion to bestow Honorary Decade Status (HDS) upon Club members Roger Anderson and Joe Beckner. The motion was seconded by Brad Bryant. Bob Branson, evidently not having read his membership book from front to back, asked what that designation means. He was enlightened that this honor is available for members in good standing who are 70 years old and have been members of the Club for 10 or more years. The vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Walt had previously sent out a list of TMGC members that have renewed and those that have not. He updated those lists with the recent renewals that he had received, giving us a total of 152 members that have renewed (in addition to the Club's honorary memberships). He stated that it would be great if some Board members took the action to contact the members who have yet to renew to learn if they would still be interested in maintaining their TMGC membership status. A couple of guys felt that they would be able to help with that.

Treasurer's Report

Bill Pierpoint presented next season's proposed budget that had come out of the committee meeting, and that proposal was then discussed. Pat Amato asked about the Interclub line item but was informed that is the money that has always been used for the sponsored Meadows team that we send to the CGA (Colorado Golf Association) tournament. There was also some discussion on a number of other items, including raffle money, crime insurance, and the Club Championship picture and prize money.

Before getting directly to budget items, a motion was made by Walt Jackson for the Board to approve payment of two smaller bills for special committee meetings, one for the Budget meeting and one for the Website meeting. Craig Sharbonno seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Various amendments that were discussed and made to the proposed budget included greater amounts for New Members and their Initiation Fees, Rules Books, and Board Compensation.

Brian Benedict made a motion to approve the proposed TMGC budget as amended. The motion was seconded by Walt, and the motion passed unanimously.

Another motion was made by Brian to retroactively pay appropriate Board members' bonuses out of the Club surplus monies. Jeff Galgocy seconded the motion, and the motion carried with 1 dissenting vote.

Old Business

Brad Bryant passed out his adhoc committee's recommendation for altering Championship Flight payouts, and everyone reviewed the proposal.

Brad made a motion to modify Championship Flight payouts according to the presented proposal. The motion was seconded by Bob Branson. Walt Jackson inquired as to what the current payout structure was, and then he asked for an amendment to the motion that would apply to all flights. Before that amendment had a chance to be seconded, Brad rejected it. The vote was taken and the motion passed with 1 dissenting vote. For the record, this is the newly approved Tournament Prize Credit Split for the Championship Flight:

| <u>Number of Players</u> | <u>Places</u> | <u>Allocation</u> |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 16 or Less | 1 st Gross | 42% |
| | 1 st Net | 30% |
| | 2 nd Gross | 16% |
| | 2 nd Net | 12% |
| 17 – 20 | 1 st Gross | 38% |
| | 1 st Net | 28% |
| | 2 nd Gross | 16% |
| | 2 nd Net | 12% |
| | 3 rd Gross | 6% |
| 21 or More | 1 st Gross | 34% |
| | 1 st Net | 26% |
| | 2 nd Gross | 16% |
| | 2 nd Net | 12% |
| | 3 rd Gross | 7% |
| | 3 rd Net | 5% |

A motion was made by Walt to apply this new Championship Flight payout formula to other flights (paying gross and net finishers in all flights). Justin Borzych seconded the motion. There was subsequent discussion on how most other flights' handicaps only vary by a few strokes, but that obviously would not apply very well to the highest handicapped flight. The motion was defeated with 2 supporting votes.

All Old Business concerning Webmaster matters is included in Committee Reports.

New Business

Tommy Erbert asked for every Board member that is a tournament chairman to get their membership book tournament entry sheets and information ready for review at January's Board meeting. The main goal is that we're looking for simplicity within the entry forms so as to eliminate members' confusion. Also, we want the entire Board to have the chance to review this tournament information and ensure it's correct before it all goes to Greg Vialpando for membership book inclusion. Brian Benedict instructed all chairman to first email this information to him so that he can review it before the next Board meeting. Walt Jackson suggested that it would be good if we implemented some standardization for information sheets in the membership book. Chip Verrill said if he could get a soft copy of the membership book, he could convert that to text for Brian.

In a not-quite-ready-for-prime-time maneuver, Jeff Galgocy had sent proposed Policy File changes to the officers, but had not followed up and sent that information to the rest of the Board. It was decided to table TMGC By-Laws / Policy File changes until the next Board Meeting.

Justin Borzych reported that the Wait List had recently grown to 6 guys, but he wasn't sure whom they were. He has not been able to open Joe Thistlewood's (our previous membership chairman) attachments, and he surmised that there might also be others on the Wait List. Bruce Stewart said that he believes he has a copy of the Wait List members, and he said that he will send it to Tommy and that Tommy can forward that to Justin.

Committee Reports

Awards – Don Gould had nothing to add to some brief discussion, which involved the approval of some Board gift jackets for Chuck Borzych and Greg Vialpando for their assistance to the Board this past year.

Interclub – Pat Amato lamented that a number of the Interclub organizers felt that the Fox Hollow Golf Club has been such a pain in the butt that they would recommend kicking them out of our Interclub group. The Board felt that was fine, but encouraged Pat (and the other Interclub organizers) to search out and contact other clubs that might fit in well with our current group.

Membership – The current numbers we have are 152 paid regular members and 32 members who are possibilities but have not renewed. Walt Jackson has left messages with six of these individuals. Bruce Stewart, Justin Borzych, and Bobby Branson will call the remaining guys in the first attempt to fill the remaining 48 regular membership spots. Ben Blea asked the Board if we had any thoughts regarding why our Wait List has dwindled so much over the last few years, as a number of guys recalled the days when it took years to become a Club member. It was concluded that one of the major reasons that our Wait List is

now smaller has to do with the fact that there are more golf club membership choices out there in this current day and age.

Newsletter – Jeff Galgocy and Craig Sharbonno released the schedule for next season’s newsletter issues:

| | <i>Article Deadline</i> | <i>Submit to Printer</i> | <i>Target Print Date</i> |
|-------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <i>Issue #1 -</i> | <i>02/20/06</i> | <i>02/22/06</i> | <i>03/03/06</i> |
| <i>Issue #2 -</i> | <i>06/05/06</i> | <i>06/07/06</i> | <i>06/16/06</i> |
| <i>Issue #3 -</i> | <i>08/14/06</i> | <i>08/16/06</i> | <i>08/24/06</i> |
| <i>Issue #4 -</i> | <i>09/19/06</i> | <i>09/21/06</i> | <i>10/03/06</i> |

Pace of Play – Bob Branson delivered a simple mantra: Don’t be a turtle.

Pot Games – Craig asked the Board if they thought it would be a good idea to charge higher Pot Games entry fees for the Championship Flight competitors, as that’s part of what their general opinion has been. Most members thought that would be okay, but stressed that any decisions should rest solely with the Pot Games Committee.

Social – Tommy asked Don to confirm our important-date schedule (TMGC major events and tournaments) with the new restaurant management, especially to help avoid conflicts with our big tournaments. Walt also suggested that it would be great if we could start checking into menu options, and Tommy said he would help Don with this task.

Tournaments – Walt declared that all tournaments are scheduled! Ben said that one guy had called him to ask why Hogback Tournament was scheduled after Club Championship this upcoming season. The problem is that although we would have liked to hold the Hogback earlier in the season, Foothills Golf Club had “first pick” this year, and there just wasn’t a reasonable weekend early in the season that we could hold the 2-day Hogback.

Volunteers – Chip Verrill and Rick Becker will comprise a committee to explore alternatives to the current policy for new members’ volunteer time requirements.

Web Site – Chip thanked Don, Bruce, and Brad Bryant for their committee work with him in this area. There were a number of options that the committee considered, and Chip described the proposal the committee decided upon.

A recommendation was made by Chip to bring up the TMGC website on Ownspot for a cost of \$240 for the first year (\$200 is the upfront annual hosting fee, and \$40 for initiation), with the ongoing cost being \$200 for succeeding years, along with a domain name fee when that once again becomes applicable. After some discussion, it was apparent that we’re not absolutely sure what all the costs have been, as they have varied from year to year. Chip also stated that former Board member Kenny Lind has volunteered to be the Webmaster for at least the first year. Bill Pierpoint wanted to know how much money needs to go into the budget, on a line item basis, to take care of everything dealing with the website.

Don made motion to appropriate \$240 for this year’s budget figure for the website’s annual fee, and another \$250 for Webmaster compensation. Jeff seconded the motion. As expected, more discussion followed. Eric Rhodes offered that maybe the Board should set aside \$1000 as a whole to cover this entire activity, and he asked about considering help from someone outside the Club. Ben lent some credence to that idea by observing that in the past, the dedication of previous webmasters who were TMGC members always seemed to wane over time. Brad retorted that with this option, website activities would be simpler. Multiple people could back up Kenny, and maybe a designated secondary Webmaster should be chosen, but a strong selling point is that a number of people would be able to pitch in and help with website

work. Brian Benedict asked whether or not a “protected area” within the website would be available through this recommendation, and that answer was yes. Walt was disturbed that the committee didn’t more deeply explore other options, including a volunteering offer by David Piper, the use of Ben’s folks, or following up more seriously with Dennis Moyer’s proposition. Brad said that the committee truly considered all alternatives of which they had knowledge. Don then amended his motion to provide \$300 compensation for the Webmaster, and Craig seconded this amendment. The motion passed unanimously.

Brad said he would talk to Kenny about the specifics of billing for the new website (primarily so it’s carried out in TMGC’s name for financial reasons).

There were no other committee reports.

Next Meeting

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held 8:00 a.m. Saturday, January 14th, 2006 at Q’s Pub.

Adjournment

Craig Sharbonno made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bob Branson seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

*Jeff Galgocy,
Recording Secretary*