

The Meadows Golf Club
Minutes of the Board of Directors
Saturday, January 12th, 2008

Call to Order – Roll Call

Jeff Galgocy, President of The Meadows Golf Club (TMGC), called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. at The Meadows restaurant. He appreciates everyone's attendance. Other directors present were: Vice President Don Gould, Secretary Dennis Moyer, Brad Bryant, Richard Dial, Tommy Erbert, John Gates, Jon Hanson, Walt Jackson, Kenny Lind, Bob Meyer, Steve Spillar, and Bruce Stewart. Treasurer George Turtle arrived at 9:25 am, as expected. Also present were Board Co-Advisor Fran Bergonz and Special Guests: Tom Woodard, FHPRD Director of Golf, Meadows Golf Course Head Pro Sue Maguire, Assistant Pro Bob Lewis, and Head Greenskeeper John Fitzgibbons.

Jeff introduced Director Tom Woodard to begin the discussion about the status of The Foothills District and the changes over the winter. He began by advising that long time FHPRD employee Bob Easton retired after 31 years of service. Tom went on to request that the TMGC Board help support and advertise the Mill Levy for the district in May. It is planned to have Kenny post the information for the election on the website. He went on to emphasize that it will be critical for the financial well being of the district that this initiative passes. Some actions needed to increase revenues at the golf courses affect both The Meadows and Foothills Golf Clubs. There will no longer be a fee differential for district residents. Also, as a concession to the FHPRD Board, Tom advised that both Clubs will need to start three tournaments later in the morning to allow the public access to early tee times. He stated that this is a fair compromise with the clubs to help increase golf course revenues this year. Walt asked if an additional tournament fee is needed to ensure continued preferential times. Tom advised that this is not necessary. Rich questioned if more late starts would be required in future years. Tom advised that he does not expect any more than the three tournaments start later in the future.

Sue Maguire discussed the importance of pace of play. She advised that last year The Pro Shop averaged 7.96 casual play rain checks per tournament. She and Bob Lewis will be available to meet with Pace of Play chairman John Gates and his committee this year to discuss ways to speed up tournament play. She also informed us that they lose up to \$190/group after our final foursome has teed off to allow a gap before the public starts casual play. Jeff emphasized the importance the Board will put on communicating the Pace of Play policy to the membership.

Fitz noted the importance the Mill Levy will have on the conditions at the course. He advised that his budget has remained flat for the last three years. He also noted some of the major cost increases over that time, and is working hard to maintain the golf course conditions. Fitz also gave the Board a list of the possible uses for the Course Recognition Funds. He suggested a need for new flags at a cost of \$880.00. He also recommended new yardage markers for the fairways. The cost would be \$400.00/par four, and \$500/ par five. He advised that there is also a need for one more water jug stand, the wooden structure on the eighteenth tee is deteriorating.

Consideration of Meeting Minutes

Consideration was given to the Board of Directors meeting minutes of Thursday, December 13th, 2007. Don Gould made a motion to approve the minutes, Kenny Lind seconded the motion. Bruce Stewart raised the question if the corrections of the names of the new members that were added had been made, as he did not receive a copy of the previous meeting minutes. The changes were made, and the Board approved the minutes unanimously.

President's Report

Jeff wanted to inform everyone of the meeting that he attended at the bi-monthly Foothills District meeting. He discussed the concerns of the Golf Club with the district, outlining the revenue the club has provided over the last 23 years. The Foothills Board mistakenly viewed his presence as an adversarial position, rather than a fact finding request.

Jeff also advised that the tentative date for the preliminary soft copy of the Membership Book completion is the end of January.

Secretary's Report

Dennis Moyer advised the Club now has 193 member, 11 Charter Members, 11 Honorary Decade Seniors, 13 Honorary Ex-Presidents and 158 Regular members. Of the 158, there are 2 returning redshirts, 3 new members, and 5 returning with stipulations.

Treasurer's Report

George Turtle stated the revised budget is based on 190 regular members, anticipating 35 new members, of which, we have 3. He advised that the Club checking account has a balance of approximately \$800.00, and the savings account has almost \$26,000.00. George did not have a copy of the revised budget available, but will provide one to Kenny Lind for publishing on the website.

Old Business

The first item for attention is the need for a primary Tournament Setup Chairman. Tommy Erbert volunteered for the position for 2008. Don Gould thanked Tommy for taking over this duty. Rich Dial recommended the entire tournament results be posted on the website after each tournament. Kenny will get the information from Brad, and post the scores.

New Business

Bruce passed out the membership handout with 4 motions:

Motion 1) reverse the vote regarding Bryan Bathrick's membership status. Bryan Bathrick should be a member in good standing. The motion was seconded by Tommy and passed unanimously.

Motion 2) Jim Hauber submitted paperwork for redshirt status for 2008. Tommy seconded the motion, and discussion ensued confirming his need met policy file requirements. The motion then passed unanimously.

Motion 3) Restore Dick Rohrer and Lynn Brown from redshirt status to active members as soon as their 2008 fees are received. Brad seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Motion 4) The following four new members be added, all fees have been received. Craig Perkins, Gary Otto, Mike Supanich, and Bob Montessoro. Tommy seconded the motion, it passed unanimously.

Don Gould asked all Tournament Chairmen if they had their respective Tournament Information sheets ready for the Membership Book. All Information forms have been updated, except for the due dates. Dennis recommended changing the due dates to Fridays rather than Saturday to enable him to get the bulk of the entries handled on Saturday. The discussion concluded a decision to change the due dates on all entry forms to Friday two weeks prior to the tournament date. Dennis will handle these changes to the Tournament forms for the membership book.

Don indicated there are policy file updates to be voted on for this year. The motions are as follows:

The Board voted to increase yearly membership dues for the 2008-2009 golf season to \$99.00. The motion was seconded by Walt, and was approved unanimously.

MOTION 1) Policy File Section A, Item 7: New- Except for the Club Championship Tournament and Ex-Presidents for the Presidents Cup Tournament, tournament chairpersons receive tournament entry fees paid by the Club for the tournament(s) for which they chair, assuming their work efforts are satisfactory. The Vice President will make final determination of the worthiness of payments to chairpersons based upon the tournament committee's after-action report. This will be applied as a credit for a future tournament for those chairmen deemed worthy of such credit. This motion was seconded by Brad, with discussion involving the process of applying the credits. The Vice President will inform the Secretary and Treasurer of the earned credits to be applied. The vote was seven for, 3 opposed, the motion carries.

MOTION 2) Section B, Item 5 Current – New Members:

- a. New members are accepted into the Club only when the applicant has an established handicap.
- b. There will be a New Member Orientation meeting prior to the Spring Tee Off Party.

Delete part "a" in order to jibe with the associated TMGC By-Law. This motion was seconded by Tommy, and approved unanimously.

MOTION 3) Section B, Item 12:

New – Subject to approval by majority vote of the Board of Directors, special Honorary Lifetime Memberships may be granted to deserving Club members. Members granted such status will be exempt from Club dues and participation requirements, and are only required to pay their GHIN fees if they plan on participating in Club tournaments. A second was not made, the motion was retracted. No change to this Item.

MOTION 4) Section C, Item 1:

Old – Tournament entry fees are \$15.00 per tournament day (excludes Member-Guest Tournament). In addition each member will pay \$1.00 per tournament day to the Club

Course Recognition Fund and \$1.00 per tournament day to The Meadows Ryder Cup competition. LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

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MOTION 5) Section C, Item 12:

Old – A “tournament player” is any participant who submits an entry form, pays the entry fee for the tournament and tees off on the first hole on any day of that tournament. All other participants are “non-tournament players.” Sending in an entry form and/or entry fees alone does not constitute participation.

- a. “Tournament players” will earn appropriate tournament credit and their scores will count for prize money, the Ace Pot, Ringer scores, and Pot Games.
- b. “Non-tournament players” will **not** earn tournament credit nor will their scores count for prize money, the Ace Pot, and Ringer scores. Their scores are only eligible for Pot Games.
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- b. “Non-tournament players” will **not** earn tournament nor Meadows Ryder Cup credits nor will their scores count for prize money, the Ace Pot, and Ringer scores. Their scores are only eligible for Pot Games.
- c. Tournaments in which eligible scores may be used for the Ringer are listed in the Ringer rules.

Tommy seconded the motion. It passed with one abstention.

MOTION 6) Section G, Item 3, Part f: (Ace Pot)

Old – Entries received after the posted due date but prior to the Tee Off Party will be subject to a “late entry” surcharge of \$25.00. The surcharge will be added to the Ace Pot funds. Late entrants must contact and notify the Tournament Setup Chairperson prior to submitting any late entry. No entries will be accepted after the Tee Off Party.

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Other Business

There was no other business brought to the Board.

Committee Reports

CRF Committee: Chairman, Walt Jackson, requested that last months motion for CRF funds allocation be rescinded. This was seconded by Tommy and passed unanimously. Walt made a motion to allocate CRF funds as follows: \$3,700.00 for new flags not to exceed \$900.00, \$800 for a new water stand for the 18th hole, and \$2,000.00 for new yardage marker for the 4 Par 5's. Steve seconded this motion, and it passed unanimously.

Handicap: Brad advised that all of last years members will be deactivated, then the current members will be reactivated before the next meeting. Brad also made a motion to change the time needed for scorecard retention. He advised that since the scores are kept on TPP, there is no need to retain score cards. Walt seconded the motion, it passed unanimously. Don will make this change to the Policy file.

Interclub: This committee entry will be removed from future agendas, no plans for these tournaments are expected this year.

Membership: It was recommended that an article be written and submitted to The Columbine Courier advising that TMGC has immediate openings for membership. Bruce made a motion to accept Buzz Mays as a regular member. Kenny seconded the motion, it passed unanimously.

Newsletter: Steve Spillar, Newsletter editor, indicated the due date for first articles is February 6th, 2008. He indicated the newsletter will be ready for review March 1st. Second newsletter articles will be due by the end of April, with an expected completion of May 16th.

Pace of Play: John Gates discussion regarding Pace of Play occurred during the meeting with The Meadows Pros. He advised he will be assisted by Fran Bergonz. The focus will be on improved communication about the need for POP improvement. Discussion was lengthy, and John will advise the Club Pros on his program. He will identify the slower individuals, and they will be contacted. He is also in favor of positive reinforcements for the faster players. Pin placements for each tournament is in TPP and each chairman has the ability to request pin positions that enhance an improved POP.

Rules: New rulebooks should be in print this year. Tommy will determine how and if these will be purchased.

Ryder Cup: Jeff will contact Don Toller to see if he wants to be involved again this year. Brad Bryant volunteered to be a part of this committee. The committee will need to check for CGA tournament conflicts.

Social: Walt advised the menu for the Tee Off Dinner will be the Italian menu.

Tournament Set Up: The three tournaments that will have later starts are: The Red Light Special, Day one of the Member/Member tournament, and The Spring Classic.

Volunteers: Bob will meet with Mike Hickey for information and forms from last year. He advised he will include more course spotters for improved POP.

Website: Website should be updated with the new tournament dates by January 15th. Kenny advised that the secure Board Locker Room is available.

Next Meeting

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held

Wednesday, February 13th, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at The Meadows Golf Course.

Adjournment:

Tommy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

Respectively submitted,
Brian Benedict,
Recording Secretary