

The Meadows Golf Club

Minutes of the Board of Directors

Tuesday, June 10, 2008

Call to Order – Roll Call

Jeff Galgocy, President of The Meadows Golf Club (TMGC), called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. at The Meadows. Other directors present were: Vice President Don Gould, Secretary Dennis Moyer, Treasurer George Turtle, Brad Bryant, Richard Dial, John Gates, Jon Hanson, Kenny Lind, and Bob Meyer. Also present was TMGC member John French. Board members Bruce Stewart, Tommy Erbert, Steve Spillar, and Walt Jackson were absent.

Consideration of Meeting Minutes

Consideration was given to the Board of Directors meeting minutes of May 8, 2008.

Jeff raised the issue of reimbursement to Tommy Erbert for the costs of the USGA Rules Seminar that Tommy had taken. There was some concern about a statement made at a previous meeting that reimbursement would be made based on a minimum score being achieved on the test. It was generally believed that the setting of such a benchmark was not intended. Jeff motioned that references to the minimum score be stricken from the prior minutes. The motion was seconded by Jon Hanson and passed.

After a brief discussion related to the pros and cons of paying Tommy, Treasurer George Turtle mentioned that Tommy had already been paid.

Moving on, Don Gould noted that Fran Bergonz is NOT an advisor to the board (only immediate past president Brian Benedict is), and therefore the designation of Fran as an "advisor" should be stricken from the May minutes. Jeff asked if all were in favor, and then stated that the motion carried unanimously. Jeff agreed to send Kenny Lind a revised copy of the May minutes.

President's Report

Jeff stated that the July date for the President's barbecue was "bad" and that the date would be September 6, and that details would be forthcoming.

He said that all Ryder Cup information was up to date and that he had set up an Excel spreadsheet and provided it to Kenny Lind, and that there was one subsequent minor adjustment and no complaints. Jeff then mentioned that there had been some grouching regarding the fact that the Spring Classic scores had not made the June 6 handicap revision. There was some discussion of the reasons for this and whether anyone's handicap would be seriously affected for the next tournament. It was generally agreed that there would be few (if any) cases where such an effect would occur because only one score was involved. It was also agreed that such an oversight would not recur.

Secretary's Report

Dennis Moyer said that we had no new members. Jeff said that he thought there was one person on the Wait List. Brad Bryant asked who it was, as he didn't recall anyone being on the list. Dennis then stated that we have 156 (plus or minus) associates. Discussion followed regarding the TMGC mailbox and the possibility that we have mail. Dennis said that he would check it.

Treasurer's Report

George presented the Club Balance Sheet for review by the Board.

Jeff asked about monies designated for the Course Recognition Fund (CRF) and George said that he had dropped off the check. Jeff mentioned that the new water stand on hole #18 looked nice.

There were questions about a bounced check from the Scrambler, and it was stated that a check had been deposited and was probably good. Brad mentioned that we would need to release the Pro Shop money associated with said member. Jeff agreed and said that the money would be released this next weekend.

George said that the Hogback financials were solid, and that they netted to zero.

Jeff said that there were three additional participants for the current tournament. George initiated a discussion related to the reconciliation of monies for tournaments, and that it would be easier for him if additions to tournaments were clearly noted on the detailed financials.

There was some discussion of an apparent discrepancy in the "Bag Tag fees". Brad agreed that he would consult TMGC member Eric Rhodes, who had handled these fees in the past.

Jeff then said that he needed to know more about late entries in order to have a complete picture of the financials of each tournament. He referenced some names from the last tournament. There was some murmuring and gnashing of teeth.

Jeff asked if there was anything else related to financials. George said that there were \$1100 in associate GHIN fees, which was "coming closer but still under our budget number". Richard Dial asked about whether some associates might not have received notice regarding their GHIN fees, which started a discussion about bad email addresses and messages not getting through. That resulted in the conclusion that we were only missing about 20 out of 500 associates who we had had issues contacting, which is "not bad". Dennis mentioned that we have about 240 associates.

George brought a list of checks written during the month for approval. Don made a motion to approve the checks, Brad Bryant seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Jeff brought up the "inclement weather policy". He said that it is an informal policy and that TMGC would not be deciding whether to pull players off the course. There was discussion of refunds of entry fees if a player decided unilaterally to cease play and essentially quit a tournament due to threatening weather. It was strongly felt by the board that such refunds would depend on the status of that player's flight, such that if the flight finished, there would be no refunds.

It was decided at this time that no formal policy would be best.

New Business

The last newsletter was brought up, and it was mentioned that one member had contributed most of the articles. Jeff opined as to how we should encourage other members to contribute to the newsletter. One suggestion regarding incentives to spur such literary contributions involved free beer.

Other Business

Richard Dial asked what the protocol is for assigning "Pace-of-Play Ambassadors". John Gates said that he would talk with Fran Bergonz.

Richard also asked how it would be determined which tournaments the tournament chairmen (of previous tournaments) would get credit for. This question spurred a spirited discussion related to some concerns that were voiced last year. It was concluded that Don Gould, as Vice President, has the responsibility to decide who gets credit for what efforts, and that he (Don) would assist in tracking the related financials.

Richard then noted that during the posting of scores immediately after the Spring Classic there were some disgruntled participants who didn't think that scores were being posted quickly enough, and that he was on the receiving end of their complaints. In the ensuing discussion it became apparent that there is an ongoing problem with some volunteers failing to live up to their commitments. It was mentioned that in most such cases, problems are averted when other non-volunteer members of the Club spring into action.

George Turtle then shifted back to the subject of tournament credits for chairmen. Don said that he would send emails designating who was to receive what credits. Dennis said that he would record the credits, and George said that he would put the credits as a line item in the financial statements.

Committee Reports

Awards – No Report

CRF – Already covered

Handicap – Already covered

Membership Book - No Report

Newsletter – Already covered

Pace of Play – John said that we have had good success with POP thus far.

Pot Games - Richard indicated that there would be all of the usual pot games for the President's Cup PLUS a \$10 voluntary buy-in for the Shootout.

Rules – No Report

Ryder Cup - Already covered

Tournament Set Up – Done!

Volunteers – Bob Meyer advised that he had most of his 16 volunteers show up for the Spring Classic, but that he might need to be a tad firmer with people with regard to the importance of their commitments. He said that Fran Bergonz would help set up the Shootout after the President's Cup.

Website – Current except for the Spring Classic scores, which still need to be sent to Kenny.

There were no other committee reports.

There was a brief discussion of the possibility of signing up to volunteer on the website. It was pointed out that the implementation of such functionality would require a significant amount of work.

Jon Hanson asked if it was possible to post scores on GHIN's internet site. When told yes, he looked like a cat that had just swallowed a canary, and suggested that we put a notice on our Website reminding the membership that such posting was possible.

Next Meeting

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held Tuesday, July 15, 2008 at The Meadows.

Adjournment

Brad Bryant moved to adjourn the meeting. Kenny Lind seconded the motion, and Jeff officially adjourned the meeting at 7:32 PM.

Respectively submitted,

John French, acting Recording Secretary