

**The Meadows Golf Club  
Minutes of the Board of Directors  
Thursday July 12, 2007**

### Call to Order – Roll Call

Brian Benedict, President of The Meadows Golf Club (TMGC), called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. at The Meadows. He appreciates everyone's attendance. Other directors present were: Vice President Jeff Galgocy, Secretary Dennis Moyer, Treasurer Bill Pierpoint, Bob Branson, Brad Bryant, Tommy Erbert, Don Gould, Mike Hickey, Walt Jackson, Steve Spillar, Bruce Stewart and Recording Secretary Jon Hanson. Also present were Board Co-Advisor Ben Blea. Absent were Craig Sharbonno and Brandon Toller.

### Consideration of Meeting Minutes

Consideration was given to the Board of Directors meeting minutes of Tuesday June 12, 2007. Tommy Erbert made a motion to approve the minutes. Jeff Galgocy seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

### President's Report

Brian Benedict opened by inquiring if Board members could attend the President's Bar-B-Que on Saturday August 25, 2007 (other than Jeff Galgocy, who will be out of town). Without getting much feedback, Brian suggested September 15, 2007, but was advised that the Ryder Cup hit on that date and would not work too well. He will get back with the Board next meeting to discuss other possible dates.

### Secretary's Report

Dennis Moyer handed out a sheet with the updated membership information, which states 247 members, 13 HXP, 13 HDS, 16 HCM and 205 regular. Also stated are 218 associate GHIN and 15 Jr. associates.

### Treasurer's Report

Bill Pierpoint stated that the budget is right on track without any significant issues associated with it. The income is quite close and is comfortable where it's at. Walt asked if there was any surplus. Bill pointed out that it is less than \$1000, which Mike stated was right where it should be. Brian asked if there were any GHIN fees due? Brad stated that these were just handed over. Walt stated that Jim Whitmore is a new associate member. Bill stated that he is open to any questions and for Board Members to merely ask if they have any questions.

## Old Business

No old business issues were discussed.

## New Business

In Brandon's absence, Brian brought forth information regarding the newsletter. July 18, 2007 is the deadline for the newsletter, with the printing to be completed by the end of July. Jeff asked the Board if the newsletter was on track for a total of 4 for the year? Mike stated that it looks like they are actually ahead of schedule. Walt suggested that more newsletters could possibly be prepared with the cost not being as big of an issue due to the internet disposition of the newsletter. Mike pointed out that more volunteers would be necessary for the Club Championship, which would be a good topic in the upcoming newsletter. As far as additional future issues, Bill pointed out the amount of work necessary to complete an issue might be too much for Brandon. Brandon will need to make that call.

The next subject discussed was the Gambler's Tournament review. Walt received some complaints, namely that holes 8 and 18 were without a drop circle. Also, the fact that a starter was not available on the #1 box after 11 a.m. was brought to Walt's attention. Tommy also complimented Walt on his exemplary job regarding the tournament. Brian asked Walt if the method used to break ties was correct and Walt answered Yes.

Mike began a discussion about the upcoming Member Guest Tournament. 58 teams equates to \$5684 in revenue and \$4150 for the meals. Mike asked Walt for his assistance with the figures. Walt added that the keg provided after the round will be \$250 and \$800 is available for prizes. The prize holes are also taken care of. Jeff asked if the tournament could support one more member's participation (Dan Goodburn). Unfortunately, all of the slots have been accounted for and the fact that it is beyond the deadline makes it impossible to add another spot. Brad asked how it is possible that the tournament set-up could not be altered? Brian stated that the flights had already been set. Brad believes that other earlier tournaments had accepted some late entries and questioned why it could not be done for this tournament. Tommy clarified that earlier tournaments had accepted late entrants if the holes needed to be filled to make a full tournament. Bill pointed out that quite a bit of extra work is required once the set-up has been completed to add additional entrants. Mike suggested that late entrants pay extra to compensate the individuals that put out the extra effort to change the set-up. Bill was quick to point out that individual payment was not necessary, but perhaps extra funding into the TMGC fund might be appropriate. Bob replied that the tournament chairman is responsible for the yea or nay on adding late entrants and perhaps a 50% extra fee be paid. Brian stated that the tournament forms already state that late entries will not be accepted. Tommy added that it's good P.R. to fill spots with some of the late entrants if space is available. Next years Board will need to take the subject up if any changes are to be made to the existing policy. Brad brought a good point forward by suggesting that existing rules be adhered to and to not let politics dictate special privileges. Steve agreed that next years Board would need to take up the subject. Brian suggested that the issue be

curtailed for this year. Bill suggested that any late entries be placed into an “as needed” basket and used if space becomes available. Jeff suggested that late entrants could merely pay green fees and be a fill in. Their score would not be used in the ace pot or ringer and they would not be given a tournament credit. Tommy stated that a rule was already in place and further suggested that any changes be made by next years Board. If a player does not make it to the tournament, then a refund / credit needs to applied to that player. Bruce added that if a player pays for only two days of the Club Championship, then that player does not get credit for the tournament. Mike clarified that if a player paid for the entire 4 day tournament, but was only able to play 3 days, then that player will receive 3 credits for their play. Credits are applied for paid days and days played – 1 credit. Policy is policy. Walt suggested that the Board move on with other business.

In Webmaster Kenny’s absence, Steve brought forth the information pertaining to the website domain renewal. He suggested that TMGC stay where it currently resides and that any savings with changes would be quite minimal. Walt motioned that an extra \$7.00 be used to renew the domain. Tommy 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried with one opposition. Steve clarified that this was merely for the domain name only.

Bob opened the next discussion with a question for the Board concerning the change to the combo tees. He clarified that he was not making a motion, but he wasn’t clear as to how to address questions concerning the change. He suggested that an article in the next newsletter might help answer member’s questions concerning the change. As far as the holes chosen for gold play, Bob has suggestions for possible hole changes that could bring more of the “meat” back into the course. He supports the idea that the tees can be rated, but some hole changes might make the course tougher and more appropriate. Brian suggested that each hole’s scores might be a good place to start to make a determination if a change would be beneficial. A committee could be established to look at the hole choices. Tommy, Brad, Bob, Don and Mike threw their name into the hat to be included in the committee with Walt chairing the committee. Mike and Steve both feel that the blue tees have become harder post combo tee. Bill pointed out that all flights’ members play from the same set of tees – so scores are comparable from player to player. Bob feels it’s necessary to clarify to the membership why the change was made. Further discussion ensued concerning the tee and pin placements. Walt stated that the tournament chairperson can make suggestion to The Meadows as to how he would like to see the pins set up, but it is basically up to Fitz as to where the pins will be placed.

Bob then asked if the rotation is back on track. Mike stated that an extra flight for a tournament changed the rotation, but the Club Championship will be on track with the book.

## Committee Reports

Awards: Walt – Work in Progress.

Club Donations (CRF): Walt – Water stands may need to be replaced. The one on 18 is an antique. He will talk with Fitz about using the CRF to help with replacement cost.

Interclub: Brian – Interclub is not going to happen, possibly will try and get some Home and Home going. Will get back with everyone.

Membership: Bruce – (2) additions on the wait list – no GHIN. Walt stated that full dues need to be paid. Bruce replied that he just received them today. He then handed out a report with all members listed and asked that any corrections please be sent to him. Jeff pointed out that the upcoming Member – Guest Tournament will be the first one that Dan Goodburn has missed out on. Bruce added that approx. 15 members are on the edge of not making credit and face being thrown out.

Newsletter: Covered earlier.

Pace of Play: Bob – Pace of play was good for the Gamblers. Brian said that the 1<sup>st</sup> group completed play in 4:03. There was only (1) gap at #10 & #11.

Pot Games: Jeff – Jeff complimented the pot committee on their great work for the Gamblers. Tommy stated that the Calcutta will be ready for the Member – Guest tournament – no worries. Don will help Tommy out with the sheets.

Social: Walt again complimented the social committee for their diligent work. All is going well. Dinner is on track for Friday and snacks and beer will be provided after the tournament.

Volunteers: Mike stated that he hadn't received a list of volunteers for the Member – Guest tournament. He is worried about the Club Championship volunteers and questions if enough volunteers are available. Any help would be appreciated.

There were no other committee reports.

## Next Meeting

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held 6:00 p.m. **Thursday August 16, 2007** at The Meadows Golf Course.

## Adjournment

Mike made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeff seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Jon Hanson,  
Recording Secretary