



MEN'S GOLF CLUB  
OF LINCOLN HILLS

**Board Meeting Minutes - January 28, 2020**  
**Multi-Media Room – Orchard Creek**

**Board Members:**

<b>Present:</b>	Pete Saco	Jack Dillon	Dudley Lewis
	Jim McGeough	Bruce Lyau	Rob Davies
	Doug Hinchey	Roger Val	Al Soares
	Brian Wanzer	Bob Schoenherr	Mike Munro

**Absent:** Phil Steinbock, Roger Cummings, Steve Beede, Jesse Reuter

**Guests:** None

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Brian called the meeting to order at 3:00pm
2. **APPROVE MINUTES:** The emailed December Minutes were approved as submitted.
3. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** No formal financial report was made at this meeting. Bruce recommended that we should consider having a 2<sup>nd</sup> signature on the Club checks when the treasurer signs. Only one authorized signature would be required if the treasurer does not sign. As a volunteer organization, it is good business practice to have a 2<sup>nd</sup> signature when the treasurer signs. To do this, the Club would need a minimum of 3 authorized signatures. It was agreed that the authorized signatures should be the Treasurer, the President, and the Secretary. Brian (President), Phil (Treasurer), and Bruce (Asst. Treasurer) are already authorized signers. Jim (Secretary) will visit the bank with the appropriate authorized members to get his signature authorized.
4. **TOURNAMENT REPORT** January tournament: We had 144 registered players and 138 played. The weather was very good and the tournament was well attended. The new handicapping system turned out to work very well as it made the various flights quite competitive. Mike had a few observations regarding this tournament and what we can do to make future tournaments better:
  - Be sure the Course puts out sand buckets at the tee-boxes and the pro shop. With 138 members playing, there was a lot of attention to course care
  - The pace of play was OK but Mike advised that we need to have a Marshal for every tournament. Some of our playing members have been sidelined due to surgeries, etc and will be

pursued to volunteer as Marshal for future tournaments. We have a couple volunteers for the next couple tournaments.

- We need to be sure that the \$500 Hole-In-One signs are prominently displayed at the Par-3 holes. Since these prizes are provided by our sponsors, Pete will have some new signs created and we will be sure they are posted for the tournaments. Currently we have two sponsors hosting the \$500 Hole-In-One contests and Pete is seeking a third sponsor. The \$500 payout comes directly from the sponsor. The \$500 is separate from the \$250 insurance.
- Mike suggested that the long-drive contest is not very fair, because there are many players that don't have a chance of hitting it very far. Some other ideas for long-drive contest were discussed.

Regarding tournament Hole-In-One policies: Historically, drinks were provided in the bar and the lucky member was "insured" to \$250 of the bar tab, which was paid for by the MGCLH (separate line item in annual budget). Once the \$250 is reached, the player can then decide if he wants to open his own tab with the bar. Brian reminded everyone that the \$250 covers beer and wine only. Any food, call drinks or other alcohol must be paid by the individual attendee. Logistically, when a Hole-In-One happens at a tournament, an attending Board member will provide a credit card to the bartender and instruct him to stop at \$225. Once the \$225 is reached, the tab will be closed and the Board member will add a \$25 tip. Then the winning player can decide if he wants to open his own tab. Regarding multiple Hole-In-One winners: the Board voted and approved the idea of splitting the \$500 to the multiple players.

5. **MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** Bob reported that we currently have 240 renewals and 21 new members for total of 261. Brian attended the quarterly SCLH New Resident Orientation at the OC Ballroom earlier this month and he handed out 5 fliers to interested prospective members. Bob and Mike hosted a New Member Orientation on January 23 in the multi-media room at the OC and there were about 12 new members that attended. Bob anticipates a few more new members will join in the next couple months.

6. **SPONSORSHIPS:** Pete reported that we are still looking for an insurance agent. One opportunity did not pan-out so Pete is approaching another agent. Pete is waiting for a response from Quick Quack regarding the Sponsorship Packet he provided. Penny Carolan will host the March tournament. Pete has volunteers for the March tournament contests. Penny will also attend the luncheon on that date. There was discussion among the Board members as to the viability of entertaining multiple sponsors from the same discipline or category. Pete advised that many current sponsors renew with us annually because of their "exclusivity" as a sponsor. He would like to continue with that strategy, even though we have potential sponsors interested in our program. Brian checked the Bylaws and could not find any mention to the limitation of number of sponsors. Our basic philosophy was to have only one sponsor per category.

7. **COMMUNICATIONS:** Doug will be gone most of February so needs articles by Feb 13.

8. **SUNSHINE REPORT:** No report

9. **WEBSITE REPORT:** Al advised that he posted the roster of brand new 2020 members. He also added a weather widget to the website. The Men's Club will be invited to update the window display box in the OC for the month of October. The contact is Shelvie. The Linksletter is up to date

10. **HANDICAP REPORT:** Rob advised that he received a lot of emails and phone calls regarding

the nuances of the latest Handicapping system. Recently, things seem to be settling down. Rob mentioned that the golfers are starting to complain that their handicaps are lower than they have been before. There is still a lot of confusion. The website has some good resources and explanations as to why their handicaps are different this year versus previous years. The WHS Course Handicap is now based on achieving the COURSE PAR (eg 72) instead of (old way) getting to the Course Rating (eg. 68.4). Hence less handicap strokes are given. This change of course applies to everyone .. so there is no effective newly introduced competitive/relative difference between players. Rob identified 3 members that won the most-improved golfer category. Rob will contact the winners and Bruce will put \$25 pro-shop credits in each person's account.

**11. SOCIAL REPORT:** For the March tournament lunch, Jack will discuss with Siino's for the food options. There are some liability concerns regarding the distribution of alcohol at this event. The Club will not provide alcohol at this event. We might ask the golf course to provide a beverage cart at the site for the players that want to purchase alcohol.

Jack discussed the logo'd sportswear situation. Jack paid the \$30 to get the logo set-up in the system at Premier Graph-X in Roseville. If a member wants a logo on any sportswear or other item, it will cost \$8.50 plus tax for the logo embroidered. You can buy items directly from Premier Graph-X or bring your own. In the next month or so, there will be a link on the website and a member will be able to order logo'd items online. The Board will select a handful of items that will be up on the website storefront. Premier Graph-X would like the Board to determine some color schemes. Jack had a few options to distribute to the Board.

**12. RULES REPORT:** Roger emailed the existing local rules document to the Board a couple weeks ago. The purpose of that email was to solicit ideas from the Board regarding any changes that need to be made on this document. There was discussion on how far this document applies: Is it just for MGCLH Tournaments? Outside tournaments played locally? Casual golf rounds? The Board started to discuss the relevance of these local rules. Although the purpose of the document is to be a guide for the MGCLH Tournaments, it is also a *recommendation* for outside play at the Lincoln Hills courses. The Board discussed several points that should require some clarification and updating. It's important that this document adheres to the Rules of Golf and is not declaring anything that contradicts the Rules of Golf. Editing and discussion will become an agenda item for the February meeting.

**13. CVS REPORT:** No report

**14. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. There are still a few Board Members that need to provide their picture for the website and bulletin board.. Pictures will be taken today by Al.
- B. Insurance: Phil was working on this in the past. Brian will work with Chris O'keefe to get the appropriate information. Pete advised that all the SCLH Clubs are covered under the umbrella insurance of the parent. The issues arise when we try to do something not covered, i.e., serving alcohol. Brian will get more information.
- C. Brian has completed the thank you cards for the gift cards to the course employees. We originally approved \$600 back in November. Now, we discovered that there are 36 other employees on the list that we did not buy gift cards for. Since we can't give each of these employees a card, Brian suggested that we maybe give them some lottery tickets with the thank you card. If we get gift cards for all the employees, this could run over \$1,200. After

discussion, we will stay with the original intent and provide cards with the 16 previously identified employees.

- D. Brian proposed a 60” Umbrella with the MGCLH logo on it as a tee-prize for the Memorial Tournament. The price with logo will run about \$8 each. He also solicited ideas from the Board for the tee-prize for 2020.

**15. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Brian discussed the MGCLH.club email addresses for the Board Members. He was just on the job as President for a short period of time and his account has been hacked. Brian suggested that the Board member email list be eliminated from the roster. Al will remove the email addresses from the website. The Board members confirmed and/or edited phone numbers that are available on the contact list. If a Board member needs a list of members, he can get that from Bob.
- B. Brian checked with the Board to see if the pro-shop bulletin board was accurate and current. Once the new Board Member pictures are on the bulletin board, everything should look good.
- C. Brian proposed a “Hole-in-One” plaque for players that score an ace in one of our sponsored tournaments. The cost would be covered by the MGCLH.
- D. The Board Golf Outing discussion will be tabled to the February meeting.

**16. OPEN ACTION ITEMS:**

- A. Budget/Financial Report
- B. EMI Sponsorship
- C. New Board Roster list distribution (correct emails and phone numbers)
- D. Tee-prize ideas for Memorial.
- E. BoD Liability Insurance
- F. Update of Local Rules
- G. Board selection of items and color schemes on the Logo Storefront
- H. 2 signatures on checks?
- I. 4th Authorized checking account signature
- J. Discuss OC Display Box Contents for October

Meeting was adjourned at 4:55 pm

Next meeting will be on Tuesday February 25 at 3:00 pm in the Multi-Media Room at Orchard Creek

Minutes recorded, documented and distributed by Jim McGeough

Jim McGeough will be absent from the February meeting so former Secretary, Bob Emge, will be the guest recorder.