

# Board Meeting Minutes - February 23, 2021 ZOOM Conference Call

**Present:** Pete Saco Jim McGeough Jeff Warner

Roger Val Jack Dillon Bruce Lyau
Mike Munro Bob Schoenherr John DeWildt
Rob Davies Mike McGuire-Back Brian Fox

Rich Henrikson

**Absent:** Jesse Rueter

Guests: (none)

## 1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

- President Pete Saco called the meeting to order at 3:01 pm.

- Pete led a moment of silence as we all remembered the recently departed Mercer Tyson and Jay Feldman.

## 2. APPROVE JANUARY 2021 MINUTES Jim

- Previously submitted via email, the January 2021 Minutes were approved by all Board Members present as submitted via email. Final version will be posted on our website this week.

#### 3. FINANCIAL REPORT Bruce

- Regarding the Actual January YTD 2021 report, Bruce emailed the month ending spreadsheet with a total balance of \$41,515 which breaks down as follows:
  - o MGCLH; \$33,755 Hole-in-One; \$1,064 CVS; \$6,695.

The January 2021 Financial Report was approved.

- Bruce mentioned that the 2021 NCGA bill has been paid. Along with the \$39 per member dues, our Club is also expected to pay additional fees of \$100 for the Pro-Shop Score-Entry Computer, and \$10/hole (\$360). Jim and Roger questioned the status of the MGCLH with NCGA. Are we an Associate Club or are we a Regular Club? Roger said that Regular Clubs typically own "turf", so we should be an Associate Club. Associate Clubs only pay \$75 annually. There is no reason for our Club to pay for the computer or course holes. Pete will investigate.

- The 2021 Budget was discussed. Our Treasurer and respective Committee Chairs were able to find some savings for 2021. These savings include 1) collecting fees for Memorial so it will break-even, 2) No donations to local Youth on Course or High School golf teams, 3) MGCLH will not pay for the registration fee for NCGA Qualifiers, 4) Payouts for monthly tournaments have been increased to \$780, 5) Sponsor fees will be increased in 2021. There might also be some savings if our Club status changes with the NCGA. The Budget was approved by the Board.

## 4. MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Bob

- Bob reported that we have 251 renewal members and 46 new members. 27 of the 2020 members did not renew for 2021. On Thursday February 25, Bob will be hosting a MGCLH New Member ZOOM Meeting. He has invited all the New Members and various Board Members to participate at the meeting at 3:30pm. He would like to keep it to one hour so any comments should be short.
- Bob announced that since we don't have Tuesday Sweeps this year, it's difficult for new members to get to know the Club and its' existing members. MGCLH will be holding a New Member Just For Fun tournament on Tuesday March 30. We were able to secure 10 consecutive tee-times on the Hills Course starting at 8:30am. The goal is to have three new members and 1 Board Member in each 4-some. We would like to compile a "bag of goodies" for the new members. These bags would include some MGCLH logo'd paraphenelia (any remaining towels, coolers, etc) amd Lincoln Hills Golf Course goodies (coupons? Balls. Free bucket, etc?) This would be a good time to promote both the MGCLH and the Golf Course. Jim and Bob will work with Ryan on these ideas. More details will be sent out to the Board and New Members as we get closer to the date. This event will be announced at the New Member ZOOM Meeting Thursday February 25.

## 5. SPONSOR REPORT / UPDATES: Rich

- Rich is pursuing three additional sponsors for 2021.
- EMI was very active in the latest Tournament as they displayed a golf cart along with signage, etc.
- We discussed hole-in-one sponsors (now that there are 8 par-3's to consider)
- Pete and Rich will contact Siino's to see what their sponsorship intentions are.
- Website has been updated with all the current sponsors and contacts.

### 6. TOURNAMENT REPORT: Mike Munro

- Mike reported that the February Tournament had a good pace of play and everyone enjoyed the format, etc.
- The TOC & JFF Tournament is scheduled for March 16 and Mike is already receiving registrations. There will be no Penny Carolan shoot-out event this year, as there were no Closest-to-Pin competitions due to the COVID restrictions.
- Mike proposed new dates for the Memorial Tournament, June 14 and 15. Due to several reasons: i.e., Fire Season, daytime temperatures, etc., the Memorial Tournament should be permanently moved from September to June. Due to ongoing COVID restrictions this year, there again will be no Putting Competition, no Horse Race, and no Dinner event. The typical June tournament would swap dates with the Memorial and be played in September. Since the Board has expectations that the Memorial should be managed to break-even, Mike proposed the following:
  - o Same format as 2020:
    - 2 Round Event

- Day 1 2-man scramble
- Day 2 9/9 Event, eg Best Ball/Alternate Shot
- Utilize both courses
- Prizes for Day 1 results, Day 2 results, and 2-Day aggregate results
- Use tee-times (no shot-gun)
- No putting Competition or HorseRace
- No event Dinner
- Provide simple Tee-Prize for each player
- Provide a Box-lunch and drink for each player for each day.
- Charge \$30 per player (to play both days). Funds would go to
  - \$10 toward Tee-Prize
  - \$10 toward Day 1 Lunch box and drink
  - \$10 toward Day 2 Lunch box and drink
- Prize money is already included in the 2021 budget
- The Board approved the date change from September to June. Mike will advise membership as soon as practical.
- Pete has assigned Mike McGuire-Back, Bob, and Rich to investigate sources for our Tee Prize. (Jim suggested someone contact our Apparel Partner, as they may have something)

### 7. COMMUNICATIONS REPORT: Mike

- The February Linksletter went out as planned. Lots of good feedback regarding content and format. People like the "valentine-themed" color.

### 8. <u>SUNSHINE REPORT:</u> Jim

- Jim and Pete have talked to a few people regarding the recent passing of Jay Feldman. Jay was President of the MGCLH in 2008. Previously, some memorials were created for past Presidents that passed away. Sylvia, Jay's widow, asked if we would support the planting of a tree in his memory on the #16 tee box. This would be placed near 2 trees already planted as memorials for former Club Presidents. Pete discussed this with Ryan at the LHGC. Ryan said that trees are not the best way to go, due to maintenance, irrigation, and diseases. Maybe a bench? Pete will talk to a couple contractors and advise. Then we can present something to Sylvia.

# 9. WEBSITE REPORT: Jeff

- Jeff is still working on updating and rewording several of the site pages. If anyone sees anything that needs updating, please let Jeff know.

### 10. HANDICAP REPORT: Rob

- Rob reported that some handicaps are going up, but he can't pinpoint the reasons. There were some questions about affect on handicaps since we started playing out of the sand traps in December.

#### 11. SOCIAL REPORT: Jack

- Since there is no tent and COVID is still restricting any kind of group gatherings, the only "social" thing we can do are box-lunches for tournaments. Jack will continue to discuss our needs with various vendors.
- Jack said that the food requirements for our hosted CVS Tournament can be covered by Meridians for the breakfast burritos or with Mr. Pickle's for the lunches.

# 12. RULES REPORT: Roger V

Roger is still trying to schedule a meeting with the Maintenance Supervisor, Scott, to discuss the local rules. There are still some markings missing on the course. (i.e., drop area for men for Orchard #6). Roger is working with Ryan to get that meeting scheduled.

### 13. CVS REPORT: Jesse/John

- Jesse could not be in attendance so submitted the following report via email:
  - $\circ$  Total members for 2020 & 2021 38 (17 are new from 2019)
  - o Still accepting new members membership forms are in the pro shop and online.
  - o Jeff W updated CVS forms on the website Thank You Jeff!
  - o First event is Sierra View CC on April 19
  - o LH will host CVS on June 28<sup>th</sup> Hills Course, with tee times starting at 9am (no shotgun). We will probably offer a breakfast or a bagged lunch (Mr. Pickles)
  - Jesse has started training John DeWildt and you will soon see messages from him regarding CVS.

#### 14. OLD BUSINESS: All

No Report

# 15. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

- Due to some scheduling conflicts, Pete asked the Board if we could move the April meeting from the 27<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup>. The Board approved the move. If we are still in COVID Protocol, Jim will host the ZOOM meeting from Hawaii that day.
- Pete mentioned that there are many groups that are congregating across the golf-cart staging area with their own lawn-chairs and beverages. Pete thinks this is something that we should encourage. Maybe LHGC could put some chairs and picnic tables there?
- Pete has contacted the Lincoln Hills HOA regarding the umbrella policy when it comes to liabilities. Is there a standard waiver that other SCLH Clubs are using to adhere to the umbrella policy? We still have a handful of members that won't sign the waivers so they have resigned from the MGCLH.
- Pete has been in communication with both of the Ladies' Golf Clubs (9-Holers and Linksters). They would like to plan a golf tournament that would include 32 players from 9-Holers, 32 players from Linksters, and 32 players from the MGCLH. The event would be held in June. More details at a later date.

#### 16. OPEN ACTION ITEMS

- General Membership Meeting dates for 2021 Mike
- Local Rules Meeting with Golf Course staff Roger
- Update MGCLH Display Board at Pro Shop Pete
- MGCLH Membership status with NCGA Regular Club or Associate Club? Pete
- Memorial (tree, bench, plaque, etc?) for Jay Feldman Pete
- Contact Siino's regarding 2021 sponsorship status Pete and Rich
- New Member Tournament Bob and Jim
- Memorial Tournament Tee Prize Mike M-B, Bob, Rich

Meeting was closed at 4:12pm.

The next Board meeting will be on Tuesday, March 23 at 3:00pm. It will be held via ZOOM. Jim will send out the ZOOM connection information a few days prior to the meeting.

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