



- cart needs to be retrieved after hours.
  - There has been concern about some cart operators misusing the LHGC Carts. They are considering cart assignments. This way there would be some accountability and inherent responsibility for the driver. Most other public courses do this.
- Chad admitted that LHGC is trying to maintain 36-holes with an 18-hole staff. They currently have a staff of about 20 and are actively recruiting and hiring experienced maintenance people. Chad would like to see 25-30 maintenance staff eventually.
- The Red, White, and Blue flags are back to stay
- Chad solicited our help in keeping everyone out of the cart barn. It is for “employees only” and there are liabilities if non-employees enter. If an employee escorts a non-employee into the cart barn (to retrieve sponsor placards, etc) that will be OK.
- A big issue is monitoring and reporting golfers that drive their carts too close to the green. Common distances from cart to edge of green is 50 feet. They are considering placing “golfer etiquette” documents on the carts, but we all realize that the rental carts are not the biggest violator. Board members volunteered to police and confront, but Chad would rather golfers call the Pro-Shop and report violators. Of course, there isn’t much the Pro-Shop can do if they are short-handed. Even if they did head out to the green, by the time they got there, the violators would be at the next hole. Brian Fox presented a document that we propose to be sent to the members of the Men’s Club. (See Brian’s Rules Report below for more detail). Chad welcomed any help that we can provide.
- The Board acknowledged that the traps are becoming more playable, but now we need more rakes. 1 rake per bunker makes it too difficult to get the player to rake up after playing. Chad will address the need for more rakes.
- LHGC will start enforcing dress code. No denim. Collared shirts required.
- Troon Rewards: Summit Members do not collect Troon Rewards for their \$3,500 annual membership dues. This is just a policy by Troon. Chad advised that anytime a Summit member spends money at the Pro-Shop, they need to be sure their Troon number is included.
- The tee-marker situation at Orchard #15 is still an issue. Chad was not aware of the “Red vs. Green vs. White”, “Ladies tees vs. Men’s tees”, “Par-4 vs. Par-5” situation. An easy fix would be to order another set of tee markers and mark them “Men’s” or “Ladies”. Chad will look into that.
- Chad was OK if the Men’s Club acquired a pad-lockable tote to store measuring tapes and CTP/LD stakes. We can put the tote on one of the shelves in the cart barn

The Board thanked Chad for his attendance and offered up any help, assistance that we can provide.

## **2. APPROVE DECEMBER 2021 MINUTES Jim**

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

## **3. FINANCIAL REPORT Bruce**

- Regarding the December (Year-end) 2021 report, Bruce emailed the month (and year-)ending spreadsheet with a total balance of \$47,668 which breaks down as follows:
  - MGCLH; \$38,813 – Hole-in-One; \$1,064 – CVS; \$7,791.
  - The December 2021 Financial Report was approved by the Board as reported

- Bruce presented the 2022 Budget for approval.
  - o Some line items were discussed, including the MGCLH Membership to NCGA fee of \$460. Jim advised that our Club should not be responsible for “turf-club” assessments. We should not be paying \$10 per hole plus \$100 for the computer. Jim will contact NCGA to discuss.
  - o The 2022 Budget was approved by the Board as presented.

**4. TOURNAMENT REPORT: Mike Munro**

- January SloshFest Tournament:
  - Record number of players!
  - Pace of play was very good.
  - Scoring was very close for all three flights.
  - The CTP/LD/Sponsor Placard assignments went very well.
- February Valentine’s Day Massacre (Lone Wolf format) will be played February 15.
  - Mike expects around 170 players for this tournament
  - Mike will continue to place Board members in the 1<sup>st</sup> and last 4-somes to on-course place and collect signs, LD and CTP stakes, etc.
  - Mike will also be seeking BoD volunteers...to handle the pre-event placement of Sponsor Signs around the putting green, and the post-event return of all materials to the Cart Barn storage area.
- Mike will proceed with plans for a May-June “President’s Cup” Tournament.
- Due to several reasons, primarily pace-of-play, COVID-related and other, we will continue with tee-times instead of shotguns for 2022 Tournaments
- There are plans for a New Member Outing (play with Board members) in the March time-frame. Bob will get this scheduled
- The annual Inter-Club Tournament will be held on April 25. Jack will work with Deb Dunipace for details regarding this event.

**5. MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Bob**

- Bob reported the following:
  - There are 302 Active Members (i.e., paid 2022 dues) in the MGCLH, including:
    - 280 members have paid dues and submitted signed waivers
    - 22 New Members
    - 22 members (of the 302) have not submitted signed waivers
  - Bruce advised that the annual NCGA Invoice for membership has a couple discrepancies. He will work with Bob to resolve any issues.
  - Due to several challenges this year in collecting and accounting for online payments and check payments, Bob will propose that ALL future Renewing and New Membership Dues to be paid online.
  - Bob will work with the Pro-Shop to schedule the annual New Member Tournament. He is targeting the first couple weeks of March.

**6. COMMUNICATIONS REPORT: Mike**

- January LinksLetter was sent out on-time.

#### **7. SOCIAL REPORT: Dan**

- Since the Club will not have any shot-gun tournaments in 2022, utilizing the Tent for post-tournament meals will not be needed. Dan will work on getting box lunches for tournaments in May, July, September, and October.  
Dan will also organize the 2 lunches for the Memorial
- Dan is open to any suggestions regarding lunch-box items and suppliers.

#### **8. RULES REPORT: Brian**

- Brian is working on the Local Rules document and there are sure to be some changes. One of the topics of discussion is how to handle rock walls that are in the golf course. Do we get relief or not? Should rock walls in the golf course (Hills, #8, #11, as examples) be treated differently from rock walls that are boundary walls? Any input would help Brian determine a solution. Brian would also like to propose that all penalty areas be marked with Red stakes. Yellow stakes add too much confusion regarding available options.
- Brian distributed a “course care” document entitled “Show Some Respect” that covers many topics regarding the trends of golfers today. One of the biggest issues is driving carts too close to the greens. The intent is to fine-tune this document and then to send to every MGCLH member via email. Brian will email the document to each Board Member for editing and comments.
- There is still confusion amongst the playing public regarding maximum scores allowed for posting. Some players are still complying with the Equitable Stroke Control guidelines (terminated in 2020) and are posting incorrect scores. Simply put: the maximum you can post for a hole is “par plus 2 plus stroke”. Typically, you cannot post more than a triple-bogey (unless you get 2 strokes for that hole.....i.e., a 20-handicapper would get two strokes on the two hardest rated holes). Of course, for playing purposes (games, competition), you must finish the hole and put your total on the card. “You shoot a 10.....you put a 10 on your card”

#### **9. HANDICAP REPORT: Rob**

- No report

#### **10. SPONSOR REPORT / UPDATES: Rich**

- All sponsors will be asked to pay the full \$625 this year.
- We will be losing a sponsor this year as they are not local and never received one call because of their sponsorship.
- There are still a couple sponsors that are “tentative” for 2022 support. Rich will continue to work with them
- Rich is always open to new sponsorship considerations.
- The Board approved a \$300 expenditure for Rich to acquire a lockable Tote and padlocks, and replenish the tape-measure inventory (we need 8 tapes). We need to securely store our MGCLH-owned tape-measures, LD/CTP stakes, etc. This tote will be placed on the shelf in the cart-barn and the padlocks will be combination locks.

**11. CVS REPORT: John/Jesse**

- 41 members joined for 2022. Of those 41 members, 2 have not signed the MGCLH Waiver. Since the waiver covers MGCLH Events, do CVS Members need to sign the waiver? The Board discussed this and decided to make things uniform and require any CVS Member to sign the Event Waiver. John will contact the two members and ask them to sign the waivers.

**12. SUNSHINE REPORT: Jim**

- Nothing new

**13. WEBSITE REPORT: Jeff**

- Jeff updated the MP website and asked Board members what their impression is. The MP website tools is very rudimentary. Jeff advised that he could populate the MP website with content similar to our Go-Daddy site, but we only have 5 pages (tabs) to work with. Our Go-Daddy contract is still good for 4 more years. Discussions ensued and it was determined that the Go-Daddy site should still be the main website for MGCLH. The MP site will need to remain somewhat current as members are forwarded there if they go to the NCGA website or renew their dues. We also need to comb thru the Go Daddy site and update/remove content as needed. Mike Munro will help Jeff do this.
- Jeff mentioned that MP offers individual “dashboards” for members. Jeff went to his dashboard and there was no content. Jim will investigate.

**14. OLD BUSINESS: All**

- Due to some conflicts, a few Board Meetings have been scheduled the same day as the MGCLH Tournaments (March 22, October 25, November 15, and December 13). Since the Board meetings are at 3pm and all players should be off the course by then, the Board decided to stay with the pre-approved 2022 Board Meeting dates. All meetings will be held at the Orchard Creek Lodge so locale will be easy for golfers getting off the course.

**15. NEW BUSINESS**

- Jack emailed a recommended Agenda procedure document to the Board for discussion. This is called “Consent Agenda” and is designed to streamline the approval process of standard presentations/proposals at Board meetings. There were some questions regarding the effectiveness of the process and the ability for all Board members to email their presentations a week prior to the Board meeting. It was decided to table a decision regard the Consent Agenda process
- Annually, the SCLH Association holds a meeting for all sanctioned Clubs. The MGCLH is a sanctioned Club and has been invited to the meeting (via ZOOM) on Friday January 28 at 10am. Jim and Jack plan to attend to fulfill the requirement.

**16. OPEN ACTION ITEMS**

- Contact remaining members for Waivers – Mike
- “Show Some Respect” document editing and distribution – Brian/all
- Local Rules Document update – Brian

- Tee markers on Orchard #15 – Rob
- Send survey out to members regarding attendance to Annual Meeting – Jack/Jim
- Schedule New Member Golf Outing for March 2022 – Bob
- Contact NCGA regarding MGCLH Membership Status for annual Club dues – Jim
- Acquire tote, combination padlocks, and tape measures for tournament item storage – Rich
- “Update and Clean-Up” existing Go-Daddy web-site – Jeff/Mike MB and Mike M offer to assist.
- Contact Deb Dunipace for Inter-Club Tournament – Jack
- Investigate MemberPlanet “Dashboard” content – Jim/Jeff

Meeting was closed at 5:15 pm.

The next Board meeting will be on Tuesday, February 22 at 3pm in the Multi-Media Room at Orchard Creek.

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