



**Board Meeting Minutes - November 14, 2023
(Multi-Media Room – Orchard Creek Lodge)**

Present: Tom Horan Bob Schoenherr Brian Fox
Jim McGeough Jeff Warner Dan Guth
Rob Davies Mike McGuire-Back Bruce Lyau
John DeWildt

Absent: Douglas Krochak Keith Bergevin

Guests: Wayne Sutton Fred Jaicks Bill Hall

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Tom

- President Tom Horan called the meeting to order at 3:00pm with a quorum present.

2. APPROVE Previous Meeting MINUTES Jim

- Submitted via email, the October 17 2023 Board Meeting Minutes were approved by the Board. Final version will be posted on our website this week.
- Submitted via email, the October 31 2023 General Meeting Minutes were approved by the Board. Final version will be posted on our website this week.

3. FINANCIAL REPORT Bruce

- Bruce emailed the October 2023 report. The following was presented at the meeting.
 - o MGCLH; \$26,838 – Hole-in-One; \$1,064 – CVS; \$5,998.
 - o Bruce advised that we are on-track with the ongoing budget.
 - o The Board approved the October 2023 report as presented.
 - o Discussions ensued regarding end-of-year donations. In the 2023 budget was \$500 for Golf Course employees, \$250 for Youth-On-Course, and \$250 for the Lincoln HS Golf Program. Due to some changes over the year (additional high schools to consider? Number of golf course employees? Etc), Bruce will delay the donations until we have determined the golf course employee count. The Board agreed to \$20/employee and then the remaining funds will get distributed to Lincoln Hills High School Golf Program, Youth-On-Course, Phoenix HS Golf Program(?), Twelve Bridges High School Golf Program(?).

4. TOURNAMENT REPORT: Mike/Keith

- Keith And Mike are meeting with Chad and Gwen at the Golf Course on Monday November 27

5. MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Bob

- Bob reported that membership headcount has been pretty consistent over the years. If 25 members drop out, then about 25 new members join. Bob estimates that we will have about 334 members in 2024.
- Bob and Jim are working on the pro-rata pricing for the 2024 renewal and new member fee structures. That will be completed in time for the December 1 renewal launch
- Jim and Bob reported that the plans are to launch renewals on December 1. MemberPlanet will be set-up to receive online payments after November 30.
- We again stressed that the only way to join and/or renew is via credit card online. No checks or cash will be allowed for any payments.
- Bob will write an article to be placed in the December 1 LinksLetter
- Bob and Jim will rewrite the Membership Application form for 2024.

6. COMMUNICATIONS REPORT: Mike

- Would like to get the renewal article into the next Linksletter (see “Membership” report above)

7. SOCIAL REPORT: Dan

- The attendance at the October 31 General Meeting was much less than expected (basically due to the unexpected last-minute Tournament format changes). That cost the Club about \$400 for unclaimed lunches.

8. RULES REPORT: Brian

- Brian reported that it appears that golfers are still having a difficult time converting their playing habits from “recreational golf” (bumping, gimme’s, liberal drops, etc) to “tournament golf” (play it down).

9. HANDICAP REPORT: Rob

- Rob is working with Bill Hall to transition the Handicap Chair duties before the end of the year.

10. SPONSOR REPORT/UPDATES: Douglas

- No Report

11. CVS REPORT: John

- John reported that we should look into the approximately \$6,000 that CVS has accumulated over the years. It essentially has been untouched and we rely on MGCLH CVS Membership fees to foot the bill for the CVS event that we host. Before we transfer a majority of those funds (\$5K?), we will review any charters and/or financial responsibilities that we may have to be a CVS participant. Bruce and John will contact previous treasurer, Phil Steinbock, to inquire on any fiduciary responsibilities.

12. SUNSHINE REPORT: Jim

- No Report

13. WEBSITE REPORT: Jeff

- Jeff will be training Fred regarding the webmaster duties. Fred will be the webmaster and will be a consultant (no term limits) on the Board.
- Jeff will remove the 2023 “New Member/Renewal” application from the website. Jim and Bob are rewriting the 2024 Membership Application and will get that to him for posting by December 1.

14. COURSE CARE COMMITTEE: (Bob, Tom, Brian, Dan)

- No Report

15. 2024 MEMBER/GUEST TOURNAMENT: (Bob, Dan, Jim, John, Keith, Brian)

- Bruce advised that he was doing some “what-ifs” while developing the 2024 Budget for the Member/Guest. If we truly want this tournament to stand-alone financially, Bruce worked with a \$4,500 calculation for additional fees (assuming everything else was the same). That would be a \$50-60 increase per player registration fee. In order to get a better financial idea, a Member/Guest Tournament Committee was created. The Committee consists of Bob, Dan, Jim, John, Keith. The committee will meet soon to discuss plans and financial needs for the 2024 Member/Guest Tournament

16. OLD BUSINESS: All

- It was reported that the General Membership approved the slate of 2024 Board of Directors:
 - o Rob Davies Steve Bourn Jeff Warner
 - o Jim McGeough Keith Bergevin Dan Guth
 - o Douglas Krochak Bill Hall Wayne Sutton
 - o Brian Fox Mike McGuire-Back Bob Schoenherr
- Per the Bylaws, the Board must appoint/approve the following 4 officers, as proposed:
 - o President – Rob Davies
 - o Vice President – Steve Bourn
 - o Treasurer – Jeff Warner
 - o Secretary – Jim McGeough
- The Board approved the 4 Officers proposed above. Duties will begin January 1, 2024

- In addition to the 4 Officers, The Board approved the following committee head responsibilities:
 - o Keith Bergevin – Tournament Director
 - o Dan Guth – Social Director
 - o Douglas Krochak – Sponsorship Director
 - o Bill Hall – Handicap Chairman
 - o Wayne Sutton – CVS Director
 - o Brian Fox – Rules Chairman
 - o Mike McGuire-Back – Communications Director
 - o Bob Schoenherr – Membership Director

17. NEW BUSINESS

- Jim announced the 2024 Board meeting dates and times. All meetings to be held in the Multi-Media Room at Orchard Creek on a Wednesday, starting at 3pm. Board Meeting dates are:
 - o January 17 February 21 March 20
 - o April 17 May 15 June 19
 - o July 17 August 21 September 18
 - o October 16 November 13 December 18
- Jim announced that the NCGA is terminating the “NCGA Ambassador Program” and introducing the new “NCGA Representative Program”. The purpose for the program is to provide NCGA with a “go-to-person” in each golf Club for detailed communications. They are looking for a Club member that will have some longevity in the Club. They are not looking for a Board member that will be “terming out” any time soon. They would like to establish a relationship with a member that will participate in this program as the Club Board Members and Officers ‘come and go’. We need to determine who that person is for the MGCLH by January.
- Tom read a letter from the Principal at Phoenix High School soliciting for our assistance in launching a golf program for their students. Tom will talk to the school for further details

18. OPEN ACTION ITEMS

- MemberPlanet member portraits – Mike McGuire-Back/Jim
- Wall Certificates for Sponsors to display at their place of business? – Douglas/Jim
- Pursue more sponsors – all
- Prep MemberPlanet for 2024 Dues – Jim/Bob
- 2024 Member/Guest Tournament Committee to meet – Bob, Dan, Jim, John, Keith, Brian
- Membership Renewal article for Linksletter – Bob
- 2024 Member Application Form – Bob and Jim
- Identify and appoint new NCGA Representative – All
- Phoenix High School Program? - Tom

Meeting was closed at 4:20pm.

The next Board meeting will be at Old Town Pizza on Wednesday December 13 at 3:00pm.

Minutes recorded, compiled, and distributed by Jim McGeough – 2023 Secretary