

The Meadows Golf Club
Minutes of the Board of Directors
Thursday, February 10th, 2011

Call to Order – Roll Call

Jon Hanson, President of The Meadows Golf Club (TMGC), called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. at The Meadows Restaurant. He appreciates everyone's attendance. Other directors present were: Vice President Pete Coffaro, Secretary Steve Grantowitz, Treasurer George Turtle, Ben Blea, Brad Bryant, Brian Fort, Clay Goodhue, Mike Hickey, Cap Lewis, John Mele, Chris Nicholl, Craig Perkins and Dave Wade. Also present was Board Advisor Jeff Galgocy and substituting for the absent Recording Secretary Ray Swanson was Brian Benedict.

President's Report

Jon started by thanking all the Board of Directors for braving the weather and attending the meeting. Jon noted there will not be an approval of last month's meeting minutes, as they have not been completed at the time of this meeting.

Jon began his President's Report inquiring if any Director's needed help using the drop box for their updated Tournament Entry forms. Ben stated that he sent the forms via e-mail to Jon, but was unable to access the drop box. Brad advised that the Ringer Form has been completed with the appropriate Due Date changes. Jon also mentioned the Scrambler format is not definite yet, but will be decided when the total number of entries is determined. He advised the Tournament Committee might choose a 5 or 6 Man Scramble format. He announced that The District wants to keep the mandatory cart rule in place for this Tournament, per Tom Woodard's request. Jon or the Tournament Committee for the Member/Guest will speak with Tom or Bob regarding this policy, as they did not make carts mandatory in 2010.

Consideration of Meeting Minutes

The vote was delayed until they have been completed, and sent to the Board for review.

Secretary's Report

Steve Grantowitz advised the Club now has 159 members. There are 3 new members that need to be approved tonight, 13 additional confirmed dropped from the club this year, and 24 members that have not returned their entry forms, with unknown status. Steve suggested the Membership Committee, along with Board members who know some of these gentlemen, contact them to confirm if they will return or drop from the Club. The list is as follows: Tom Beattie, Joe Beckner (Ben will call), John Bohan, David Brown, Greg Gentry, Isaac Droke, Dave Ebens (Ben will contact), Brian Gallacher (Brad will contact), John Gates (Hick will call), Sloan Harrison (Brewer friend), Rodney Holmes, Kelly Krueger, Rich Lund (Ben will call), Tim Maestes (Dave will call), Mark McDermott, Joel Reppert (Chris will call), Scott Reschley, Chad Scherer, Bill Taylor, Dave Terry (he advised will send fees in), Jim Whitmore (Chris will call). Steve advised that he received payment from prospective returning member Terry George, John Mele made a motion to accept him, Mike Hickey seconded the motion, the Board approved Terry for membership unanimously. Steve advised that Russ McWilliams also paid his TMGC dues, Brad made a motion to accept him as a new member, Craig seconded the motion, and the Board also approved him unanimously. Steve will contact both new members. Steve also received an entry without a check from Steve Warren, no vote was taken since he has not paid yet. Steve advised that

he has received two associate member applications. Jon also advised that a friend of his from bowling, John Johnson inquired about joining TMGC. Jon turned in John's membership application and explained that John's dues will be paid via a credit that Jon has regarding the payment of the TMGC Interclub by personal check.

Treasurer's Report

George Turtle stated the revised budget is based on the returning members that need to be contacted. He is anticipating 21 new members, of which, we have 3 so far. He advised we may want to amend the Budget after the long list of members that have not renewed has been contacted. George advised the Club checking account has a balance of approximately \$ 2,137.00, and the savings account has \$28,783.18. George provided the Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual from November 1, 2010 to February 8th for Board review. Chris Nicoll made a motion to approve the Budget as presented, Dave Wade seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Brad then brought some discussion to the table, questioning if the Budget was approved last month. George advised some revisions were made necessitating the need to revote on the Budget. George also provided a list of expenses for approval. Cap made a motion to approve the payments, Brian Fort seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. George also advised there will be a new account in the Expense Section this year, Tournament Supplies, specifically earmarked for the cost of Scoreboards during the year.

Unfinished (Old) Business

Item 1) Website Launch- Jon discussed the status of a soft launch of the Website, seeking feedback from the Board. John Mele advised that he had received inquiries from a few members and he specifically mentioned that Dennis Howell sent John an e-mail wondering when the website will be available. Jon stated he would like to have all the Tournament Entry Forms ready and available during this launch. After Steve has a chance to proofread and scrutinize the membership book, it will be added for access to the membership.

Item 2) Mentor/ Big Brother- Jon asked Chris Nicholl to complete the Mentoring Outline with Bullets for the Board members by the Orientation Meeting on March 19th. Chris will then assign the new members to an appropriate Board member for mentoring. Craig asked that the Volunteer requirements be included for the new members, specifically.

Item 3) Associate Member- Jon suggested that Steve complete an invitation letter and request participation from the previous years' associates.

Item 4) Headshot Photos of BOD for the website- Now that the Club has purchased a digital camera, this project can be completed.

Item 5) Pay Pal Implementation- It was discussed, the project *is* not dead, just not ready for implementation at this time. No projected date has been decided.

Item 6) Hole # 6 Tree trimming- John Mele has the approval from Fitz, the branches have been marked. Brian Benedict's son, Ryan along with a few Board Member volunteers will complete the trimming as soon as the weather provides access to the area.

Item 7) CRF Projects- Ben discussed the possibility of adding a Walt Jackson pole for the blind tee shot on # 9. Many different alternatives were discussed, with the resolution being that there is no reasonable location that would assist golfers for their drive. Ben also provided a list of the extensive projects that he is undertaking for the coming year. He has ordered the new yardage markers for the driving range, large easy to read signs for each side at a cost just under \$ 1,600.00. Ben also provided a list of on course target markers. Ben is also planning on a \$2,500.00 donation from the Club CRF for projects that Fitz has requested; walking bridge replacements on 12 & 16, shelter repairs on holes # 4 and 5.

New Business

Possible Flighting Alternatives- Jon started a discussion regarding the Championship Flight concerns about how the flight is to be constructed this year. Dave Wade, as the Tournament Set Up Chairman noted that there have been 24 players in the Championship Flight for the President's Cup in 2008 & 2009 out of 144 players each year. He also noted that in 2010 there were only 20 out of 139 players. He continued his discussion to note that there were 24 1st Flight golfers in 2008 & 2009, but 28 in the 1st Flight in 2010, when the players had a choice. Chris Nicholl suggested 3 levels for setting up the tournaments, a maximum of 6 Handicap to be considered in the Championship Flight, take the Top 24 (lowest handicap) golfers, or take the Top 16% for the Championship Flight. After some spirited discussion, no motions were presented to the Board to finalize this issue. It will be moved to the Unfinished Business section of the Agenda for next month's meeting.

Dates to Add to the Board Calendar- The Spring Classic Set-Up meeting will be held Tuesday, April 26th at 5:30 p.m. at The Golf Course. The Gamblers Choice Set-Up meeting will be held Tuesday, June 14th, at 5:30 p.m. Jon also noted that the starting time for the New Member Orientation meeting will be 8:30am. Craig Perkins suggested that the After-Action meetings should now be handled via e-mail, Jon stated that will be fine as long as the Tournament Chairmen are diligent with the After-Action Tournament reports. Pete Coffaro will need to monitor these to ensure they are completed in a timely manner.

RYDER CUP Points Allocation Changes- Jeff Galgocy presented the updated Ryder Cup handout with the Tournament date of September, 24th, 2011. The rules change also stipulates that the 7-credit requirement needs to apply to the Captains picks, as well as all qualifying members. Jeff and his committee also increased the participation points, depending on number of play days per tournament. He stated this change should reduce the numerous ties that have occurred in past years. The summary for the points change is as follows: 1 day individual tournaments will provide 30 points per day, 2 day individual tournaments will provide 32 points per day, and the Club Championship will be worth 35 points per day completed. Performance points will remain unchanged, with only Players that cash in a respective tournament earning points. Jon thanked Jeff and his committee for their efforts' to improve the Ryder Cup selection process. Steve suggested that these changes be included in the Membership book, while highlighting the changes for the membership.

MEMBERSHIP BOOK OVERVIEW- Jon began the discussion advising that almost all the sections have been updated. There was some discussion regarding the members' handicap section. Brad will provide the list at the latest possible deadline prior to the information needing to go to the printer. Steve volunteered to complete the final proof-reading of the book prior to sending the disc to the printer. Jon then wanted to know approximately how many copies were to be printed. He decided 20 should fill the need of the membership.

Other Business

DUAL CLUB MEMBERSHIP- Jon brought up an idea suggested by The Foothills Recreation district to change the By-Law that precludes TMGC members from joining The Foothill's Golf Club, and their members The TMGC Golf Club. Jon will contact President Phelps at The Foothill's Golf Club to discuss the issue. Cap Lewis made a motion to bring this issue to the members for a vote to change this By-Law, Mike seconded it, and it passed unanimously.

Committee Reports

CRF Committee: See Item 7 under Old Business.

Handicap: Brad advised that all of last years members will be deactivated, then the current members will be reactivated before the next meeting. Brad will have the Handicap list ready for the Membership Book, as close to printing as possible.

Interclub: No reports from Jon.

Membership: No Report

Newsletter: No Report, Ben wants to do an informal 45 letter, and asked for participation

Pace of Play: No Report

Rules: No Report

Ryder Cup: Jeff addressed in New Business, Steve suggested when the points changes are added to the membership book, the changes should be highlighted.

Social: Mike advised that he will contact the Restaurant to advise of the menu, appetizers, along with Hot Dogs, and Hamburgers, their American Fare .

Tournament Set Up: Ben discussed dropping the \$20 gift fee added to the Couples Tournament Entry Form, as some Couples have mentioned it is not really worth it. An idea surfaced that there may be some Sponsors out there that may donate gifts, such as snacks, or something less costly. Mike Hickey thought gifts may not be needed at all.

Volunteers: No Report .

Website . Addressed in Unfinished Business

Next Meeting

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held

Thursday, March 10th, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at The Meadows Golf Course.

Adjournment:

Clay made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectively submitted,
Brian Benedict,
Recording Secretary