



Meeting of the Board of Directors August 2020 Meeting Minutes

Date: August 26, 2020

Time: Following the Green Valley
Tournament

Place: Green Valley Country Club, Portsmouth RI

Present:	Pat Dickson	President
	Carolyn Maney	Vice-President
	Luanne Googins	Treasurer
	Barbara Sitter	Recording Secretary
	Maureen Ford	Corresponding Secretary
	Trudy Dufault	Tournament Director
	Peg Cherenzia	Tournament Co-Chair
	MaryAnn MacLaughlin	Tournament Co-Chair

Absent: None

Guests: Chris Trenholme

I. Call to Order:

Pat Dickson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

II. Minutes from the May meeting:

Previously, the meeting minutes had been emailed to the board members for review.

Motion to approve the minutes as presented: - Maryann McLaughlin

Seconded: - Maureen Ford

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.

III. Treasurer's Reports:

Luanne Googins sent the financial reports to the board members prior to the meeting. The following questions were discussed:

- The refund on the financial report was clarified, this was for player(s) who had registered but unable to attend the tournament and the money for lunch was then returned to the account.
- The deposit for the end of year banquet that was sent to the venue (Shriners) has not been cashed. The venue appears to be closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic as they are not answering emails that Carolyn Maney has sent to them.
- We have one member who payed for a tournament by check and this check has bounced. Luanne has been unable to contact this member and will continue to try to contact her.
- All scholarship checks have been mailed.

Motion to approve the May 2020 Treasurer's report as presented: - Carolyn Maney

Seconded: - Peg Cherenzia

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.



IV. Tournament Director's Report:

The following is the highlights from the discussion on tournaments:

Misquamicut:

- This tournament has been cancelled by the golf course and the deposit has been refunded.

Ledgemont/Foster:

- It was discussed to allow players who are playing in the Amateurs to also play in a foursome for the second day at Foster.
- There were members of the board that felt that the players in the Amateurs should play with only those competing in the Amateurs and not the 4 player team event as well. There are scenarios where an unfair advantage could occur as part of the team event (example: having a player putt before the Amateur player to get a good read for the team, but this would also give an unfair advantage as part of the amateur competition)

Vote to have the players in the Amateur competition play together and not as part of the 4 person team event: Yes - 5; No - 2; abstain from vote - 1

Miscellaneous discussion:

- Trudy Dufault suggested that we only play from the red tees, unless there are no red tees, to avoid confusion.
- Barbara Sitter discussed that members had talked to her about the tees at CT National golf course did not have enough room in the tee box in the event a player wanted to move back in the box up to two club lengths as allowed by rule. Barbara suggested that Maryanne could check and move the tees when putting out the signs, however, it is not allowed to alter the tees that the course has set up.
- Barbara Sitter discussed the COVID-19 protocol that was not followed with only one pen to sign up for lunch at the Green Valley tournament and no hand sanitizer nearby. Some options would be to have the sign in volunteer write the menu choice or have extra pencils for all players.
- CT National results on the Golf Genius app has some errors that need to be fixed. The purse money is incorrect and it shows that Trudy Dufault's team won prize money when they did not. Pat Dickson to discuss with Wendy Ossman.
- The Golf Genius software has on occasion given some players 2 strokes on a par 3. OSWGA generally does not give more than 1 stroke on a par 3. Currently we are correcting this on the scorecards and it was suggested that we better communicate this to the members so it is clear. There is some confusion when the players see 2 strokes on the Golf Genius app and only 1 stroke on the scorecard.

Motion to approve the Tournament Directors report as presented: - Maureen Ford

Seconded: - Carolyn Maney

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.



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V. Chair Reports:

Appeals: Carolyn Maney - No report

Handicap: Chris Trenholme - No report

Nominating: Carolyn Brown - No report.

Rules: Kris Kennedy & Kathy Mis - No report.

Statistician: Donna Jennings - No report.

Website: Wendy Ossman - No report.

Tournament: Mary Ann MacLaughlin and Peg Cherenzia: A report was given to all members at the meeting and reviewed. In general, no complaints on any of the tournaments. One suggestion was to clarify on the Montaup tournament if two tee shots needed to be used for the 2 female teams as well.

Publicity: Sandra Harper - No report.

Photography: Betty Jean Shadeck - No report.

Motion to approve the Chair reports as presented: - Barbara Sitter

Seconded: - Luanne Googins

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.

VI. Unfinished Business:

Pat Dickson discussed moving the player of the year date back to capture the last couple of tournaments since it appears that players may not be heading to warmer climates with the current pandemic. It was decided to keep the date as it is and not change it.

Golf genius usage is up with only a few foursomes in the Green Valley tournament not using it.



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VII. New Business:

The following new business was discussed:

- Winnapaug tournament is going to be cancelled and Trudy Dufault will look to find another venue to fill that week. It was discussed to look at Raceway golf course as an option.
- Pat Dickson brought up the option to cancel the end of year banquet due to the pandemic. She asked that we all board members think about this option and it will be discussed and decided on at the September board meeting.
- Elections:
 - The two positions that will be voted on are President and Treasurer. Pat Dickson and Luanne Gogins have communicated to the board that they do not plan on running for their respective positions of President and Treasurer.
 - Nominations need to start, Pat Dickson to email Carolyn Brown.
 - The election may need to be done online and/or via email this year if there is no banquet.
 - Pat Dickson indicated that the by-laws state that it is the responsibility of the Recording Secretary to send out mail-in ballots.

VIII. Schedule Next Meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for:
September 14, 2020
Fenner Hill Golf Course (after tournament).

IX. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Sitter
Recording Secretary