



OHCC Golf Club Board Meeting – May 13, 2023

Executive Board Members Present: Greg Cies, Mike Guillory, Mary LaForte, Bob Fisher, Debbie Machnick, Tom Vaccaro.

Chairpersons Present: Annette Guillory, Alan Colson, Jerry Moscovitz, Larry McBride, Mike Bell, Natalie Sentz.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by club president, Greg Cies, at 9:03 a.m.

Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes: A motion was made by Bob Fisher and seconded by Mike Guillory, to approve the minutes of the last meeting. The motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report: Mary LaForte - The club has approximately \$10,000 in the bank. \$1375 has been spent this year out of the budget of \$5910. A \$1000 deposit for food for the summer party has been made to Nucci's, along with a \$375 deposit for the DJ.

Mary spoke to the Pacific Western Bank manager concerning rumors that the bank was being sold. The manager assured Mary that was not the case and offered no other information.

President's Report:

Greg mentioned that the small turnout of board members for the meeting is due to people being out of town. Several committee chairs are also absent today.

SCGA Meeting at Rancho Santa Fe – Greg has received an invitation to attend an SCGA meeting. He is not able to attend and asked if anyone else would like to go. There were no volunteers.

Enforcement of Golf Course Attire Rules – The Golf Course Rules booklet mentions that no cut-off jeans are allowed on the course, but does not specifically mention regular jeans. Should this be added as a rule? After discussion, it was decided to not disallow jeans as it would fall on our starters to be the enforcers.

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Old Business:

Golf Summer Party Update: Terry Chamberlin – Terry is set to take signups on June 16. On that day, people can sign up for the special member price of \$27. They also can choose the table for their group on that day. Guest price is \$32 that day only, then increases to \$35. Member price will be \$30 after the 16th. The last day for signup is July 1st. A special envelope will be at the front desk in the golf folder for party attendee checks. We will be able to seat 230 people (23 tables of 10) but the target is 20 tables for 200 people. Terry will take a picture of all checks received to help at the check-in table in case someone feels they paid, but are not on the list of paid attendees.

Casa Interior, Exterior, Lanai Update: Mike Guillory – First bids are in but the cost is too high. More bids are being taken. Not all contractors have been named. There are some snags with the process. No estimate yet on a completion date.

Sponsorships: Mike Guillory – Aegis sponsorship price for TA is not keeping up with inflation. Annette Guillory and Mike will talk with Aegis on Monday to present the need for a higher price for sponsorship. They will also discuss the possibility of Aegis sponsoring other tournaments. Peter Fry and Judy Fry have stated they know of sponsors that seem very interested in sponsoring other tournaments, especially during the summer months when we have great turnouts. For this reason, summer Guys and Dolls will be bigger events. Ideally, sponsorship will provide enough money to have the food catered. This reduces the number of volunteers needed to run the event. More on this after Peter, Mike, and Annette have talked with our current sponsors. It is hoped the changes can start in June, but no later than July.

New Business:

Unmarked Ground Under Repair Rules: Natalie Sentz – The basic rule is to play the course as you found it. Our groundskeepers cannot always get ground under repair markers in place before a tournament begins. Do we want to allow each foursome to determine if an area should be considered ground under repair, or should the rule be to play the course, as you found it? After discussion, it was determined that the rule is to play the course as you found it. That way, no one team gets an advantage over another.

Rules for Hitting the Screens on Hole #8: Natalie Sentz – Natalie's recommendation for drives from the new blue tee box that go into the screening on hole #8 is to set up a free drop zone. This drop zone would be the red tee box for hole #8. Players would be required to use a tee for their 2nd hit. After discussion, it was determined that players can play their ball from where it lies, or hit from the free drop zone (the red tee box). Drives from the #2 tee box that end up in the netting are given free relief per existing USGA rules.

Requirements to Maintain Handicaps: Jerry Moscovitz – Jerry would like to establish rules for maintaining an active handicap for playing in a scramble. There are currently members using handicaps

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established some time ago that don't reflect their current abilities. They do not play in one of our Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday tournaments, but do play in our scrambles. Jerry has been asked to form an Ad Hoc committee to come up with a suggested rule for maintaining a current handicap for allowing members to play in our scramble tournaments. He will present this proposed rule change to the general membership well before the meeting so it can be discussed at the general meeting in July.

Women's Holes-in-One Monday Pool: Debbie Machnick – It was thought that the ladies do not have a pool for Monday golf holes-in-one. As it turns out, the way the current rule is written, women in the existing pool can get payouts for a hole-in-one for either the Monday or Wednesday tournaments. No additional pool is needed.

Niner's Handicaps: A golf club member has reached out to some of our golf board members to ask for a change in the way handicaps are figured. The board discussed the concern and determined changing our current methodology was not feasible. Mike Bell, Niners Chairperson, was asked to relay the decision to the member making the request.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Tom Vaccaro – There are currently 571 members, including 250 women, 321 men with 518 returning members. Tom has asked for a one week time frame after residents turn in their golf club membership paperwork before they are set to play in our tournaments. Tom must enter the member into the membership roster, and denote what tournaments they are interested in playing. Jerry Moscovitz notifies the tournament chairs to add the new member to the appropriate Golf Genius tournament roster. The new member handicap will not be available until the Friday handicap update is done. It was agreed that a week turnaround time is a reasonable request and will be announced in our next general membership meeting.

Women's Golf: Debbie Machnick–Mother's Day Pajama golf is next Wednesday. Volunteers are in place and will soon get their assignments. It will be a shotgun start.

Men's Golf: Bob Fisher – The Father's Day shotgun scramble tournament will be on June 19th. The cost for entry will be determined when we have a price from Ohana for the lunches. There will be women volunteers to help make this a fun event.

The average time to play the course is approximately 3 hours. It can be frustrating for some of the faster golfers to wait on each hole, but we want the tournaments to be fun. If needed, routinely slow players will be moved to the later tee times.

Touring Amateurs: Mike Guillory and Annette Guillory – For Oaks North, the income was \$5100. \$4264 was spent on green fees, and \$847 on prizes. We received \$300 from our sponsor to help cover expenses.

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Guys and Dolls: Mike Guillory and Annette Guillory – There was \$760 in income from the last tournament and \$40 of bar money. With Sally Palmer cajoling members for donations, an additional \$188 was added to the bar coffers. There is currently \$195 remaining. Tee times will be every 9 minutes on the next Guys and Dolls. The starter will work to keep people going out on time, but not early as this causes backups on subsequent holes. Hole #2 will remain the magic putt hole for the front nine.

Golf Course Committee: Bill Boston (Absent) – Bob Fisher reported the first submission to the city for the lake project will happen around July 1st. The hope is still for completion of the lake in 2023. The back nine will be closed for at least 2 months while the project is being completed. The sand traps do not have good drainage. A report will be given to O’Connell for correction of this problem. The screens for hole #8 are on order.

Handicaps: Jerry Moskovitz –Jerry will not be available for 2 weeks beginning June 8th. He has reached out to his backups, Alan Colson and Mike Thornton for help but has not heard back from them as yet.

Niners: Mike and Mina Bell – Turnouts continue to be high with approximately 30 participants each week.

Computer Operations: Alan Colson –Alan is looking for ways to streamline handicap processing. It is currently very time consuming.

Tournament Rules: Natalie Sentz – Natalie is getting lots of good feedback on her rules Q&A’s. She is using actual examples that help explain the situation regarding the rule which should lead to better understanding. Bob Fisher is working on an email that is a reminder of the rules of golf etiquette, etc.

Tournament Instruction: No one has stepped up to fill this position.

Holes-in-One: Larry McBride – Sue Smith, Lois Russell, and Nigel Nelmes have had recent holes-in-one. The men’s pool has \$66 and the backup has \$39.

Casa Facilities: Annette Guillory– 2000 scorecards have been ordered and should last us through the end of July.

Meeting Adjourned: Meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

Action Items from our meeting:

1. Mike Guillory, Annette Guillory, and Peter Fry – Meet with our current sponsors to discuss the need for increased sponsorship fees.
2. Jerry Mascovitz – Form an Ad Hoc committee to draft a suggested rule for maintaining a current handicap when the member does not play in Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday tournaments, but plays in tournament scrambles.

Submitted by Jean Boston, OHGC Secretary