

### OHCC Golf Club General Membership Meeting -July 19, 2023

<u>Executive Board Members Present:</u> Greg Cies, Mike Guillory, Jean Boston, Mary LaForte, Bob Fisher, Debbie Machnick, Mark Deutman, Tom Vaccaro.

<u>Chairpersons Present</u>: Jerry Moskovitz, Larry McBride, Mike Bell, Annette Guillory, Alan Colson, Sharon Sorensen.

<u>Call to Order:</u> The meeting was called to order by club president, Greg Cies, at 4:30 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Greg led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance.

<u>Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes:</u> A motion was made by Dennis Lady and seconded by Bev Gillette, to approve the minutes of the last general membership meeting. The motion was approved.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Mary LaForte- The club has approximately \$11,000 in the bank of which \$1200 is the Aegis sponsorship payment for Touring Amateurs. The approved budget for 2023 is \$5910. The club has spent \$2,300 year to date.

### **President's Report:**

- Greg welcomed all new members to the golf club.
- He recognized Hospitality Chair, Sharon Sorensen, and volunteers, Kevin Sorensen, Larry Ward, and Nora Ward for helping serve the pizza and drinks. Also, thank you to Sue Smith and Annette Guillory for greeting our attendees and making sure all signed in for the meeting.
- The golf club summer dinner/dance had a great turnout, and was a lot of fun!! Thank you to the chair of the event, Terry Chamberlin, and all the other outstanding volunteers!!
- Our golf tournaments are a big part of the popularity of the golf club. Be sure you always play ready golf and keep up with the group in front of you.

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#### **Old Business:**

Requirements for Maintaining an Active Handicap and Scramble Tournament Eligibility: Jerry Moskovitz – The rules for maintaining an active handicap were sent out to all members via Golf Genius, and were posted on the OHGC website.

If the back nine closes when work is being done on the lake, we will modify the rules for maintaining an active handicap. Send any concerns, i.e. medical reasons, regarding maintaining your handicap to Jerry for consideration.

**Tournament Sponsorship Updates: Mike Guillory** - Our long time sponsor, Aegis, is willing to spend more money for sponsorship. We have three sponsors for Touring Amateurs. Santianna sponsored our last Guys and Dolls, Merrill Lynch is sponsoring the August Guys and Dolls, and Fairwinds-Ivey will sponsor the September tournament. Not all Guys and Dolls will have sponsors.

**Lake Update:** Bob Fisher – The survey work on the lake has been done and we are waiting for the completed plan that will be submitted to the city.

#### **New Business:**

Call for 2024 Board Member Candidates: Greg Cies - We need people who are willing to step up to run for the 5 elected positions on the golf club board. The positions are President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Three members of the current board will not be running for reelection. Greg Cies, President; Bill Boston, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President; and Jean Boston, Secretary; have all announced they will not seek reelection. A candidate recruiting committee comprised of Jean Boston, Jerry Moskovitz, and Sue Smith has been formed. Please let any of them know of your interest in running. Elections are held at the October General Membership meeting.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Membership**: **Tom Vaccaro** – We have 585 members, including 327 men, and 258 women. 68 new members have joined in 2023. New members need to play three rounds of golf or have their GHIN numbers converted to OHGC handicaps in order to play in our tournaments.

**Women's Golf: Debbie Machnick** – Debbie thanked our longtime Wednesday starter, Bernie Alfonso, and also Marilyn Vettlesen, who puts our winnings into envelopes each week for pick-up the following week.

Debbie will soon be sending out a survey to see how many of the women golfers want to have a holiday luncheon this year, and if they are willing to pay the increased price Shadowridge is charging. Also, if people want to have the luncheon, are they willing to help plan the event.

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Men's Golf: Bob Fisher – Monday tournaments have approximately 120 players, with Tuesday drawing around 115. Thank you to Randy Royter for helping Bob with scoring. Volunteer team captains and starters are always needed. Bob is working on setting up advance tee times for the Monday, Tuesday tournaments.

A golf etiquette document will soon be sent out for all golfers within OHCC. It will cover the basics such as repairing divots, raking the sand traps, etc.

**Touring Amateurs: Mike and Annette Guillory –** Monday's Touring Amateurs was a good event. The next TA will be at The Links in August.

**Guys and Dolls: Mike Guillory and Annette Guillory** – The next Guys and Dolls is August 26<sup>th</sup> and will be sponsored by Merrill Lynch. Volunteers will be needed. The volunteer support for Santianna was great.

A question was asked as to why each team player only needs three drives for G&D. It used to be four. Mike explained it was changed to aid in pace of play. The Magic Putt on Hole 2 was done for the same reason.

**Golf Course Committee**: **Bill Boston** (absent) – Mark Deutman reported that the netting for the 8<sup>th</sup> hole is in and must be installed. The tee boxes were aerated last week to see if that will make the ground easier for putting in tees. 9 of the 25 hookups for irrigating the slopes have been completed. 25% of the slopes will be done at a time. The next golf committee meeting is this Friday.

**Handicaps:** Jerry Moskovitz – Nothing additional to add regarding handicaps.

Niners: Mike Bell – Mike reported that people are showing up to play the course on Tuesdays who are not wanting to play Niners golf. These people have to wait around until all the Niners teams have teed off which could be as late as 2 p.m. Please be aware that Niners tournaments begin as soon as the Tuesday Men's teams are through teeing off.

**Tournament Rules:** Natalie Sentz (absent) – Jean Boston reported that Natalie would like those with rules questions regarding their actual playing situations to email those to her. It makes the rules more relevant when she has real life situations.

**Sunshine: Judy Gagnon (absent)** – Jean Boston reported that Judy would like to be notified via email when there are club members that should be sent a card due to an illness, surgery, or death of a loved one. She is not on the course on a regular basis so does not hear of many of the situations.

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Holes-in-One: Larry McBride – Larry presented Sue Smith, Lois Russell, Annette Guillory, Lynda Levine and Debbie Machnick with certificates and bag tags for their recent holes-in-one. For the men's group, Nigel Nelmes, Bill Nordberg, Bob Bechill, Bernard Whitley, Ken Golembiewski, Bruce Brady, Al Goodman, Bob White, and Jerry Hughes all have had holes-in-one since our April general meeting. Congratulations to all and remember to enter the pools so you get the big \$\$ for your efforts!

### **Questions:**

John Weyler asked if it would be possible to move Tuesday golf to either Thursday or Friday. Many people cannot play golf two days in a row. He asked for a show of hands from those in attendance to see if his idea had member support. Many hands were raised.

Bob Fisher stated that Thursday was not a possibility as the course is closed that day for maintenance. Friday would be a potential but would require a rules change by the community. It is a long and somewhat expensive process as the board must agree to it, and then all members of the community need to be sent a written ballot for voting. It is something the Board of Directors will discuss at the next meeting.

**Meeting Adjourned:** Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jean Boston, OHGC Secretary