

RGC Open Meeting Minutes April 18, 2019

Meeting Called to Order 6:35

April 2019 Meeting minutes have been approved.

Board Members Present: Dennis Foxx, Steve Hiett, Steve Hitchcock, Paul Christianson, Gary Krohn, Paul Wilson, Dave Arellano, Ron Floyd, John Parola, Bryan Lange, Charlie Aichele, Jesse Sierra, Harry Wharff, Steve Taylor,

Board Members Absent: Steve Ries

President's Report – Dennis Foxx announced that Steve Ries is stepping down as Webmaster. Tim Turnquist volunteered to step up in his stead. Steve will work to transition from the old website to Member Planet. Likewise, Tim will need to work to move from the current format to the Member Planet proposed by NCGA. The board will vote on Tim as the official replacement as webmaster.

Vice President's Report – Steve Hiett announced that Timber Creek will house the Christmas party on December 13th. There are several bonuses to booking here versus previous venues used in years' past. The main course will feature chicken or tri-tip. The Roseville Golf Club will rent the room until 10 pm. The space may be expanded if the adjoining side rooms are not rented. A bartender will be provided. The last 50/50 raffle was our highest yet, \$280, so the winner at the Masters tournament won \$140.

Tournament Director's Report – Jesse Sierra stated that 84 players competed in the Masters tournament. There are 56 players signed up for the NCGA 4-Ball Net Qualifier slated for this weekend. Jesse wanted to remind people that the Reno tournament is quickly approaching and he encouraged all to participate. There are some definite benefits sponsored by the hosting courses.

Handicap Chairperson's report – Gary Krohn reported that the Masters results have not been inputted yet, nor has the Player of the Year standings. However, all tournament handicaps are up-to-date for this weekend's tournament.

Tournament Bookkeeper's Report – Charlie Aichele stated that the books are up-to-date and looking good.

Treasurer's report – Paul Christianson stated that the books are up-to-date and in good shape.

Secretary's Report – Paul Wilson announced that the club has 244 paid members and 65 non-renewals. Last year at this time we had 20 more members and 10 fewer non-renewals. The April minutes have been approved and are ready to be placed on the website. A question was raised regarding the procedures for contacting those who chose not to re-join the club. Paul explained that the previous secretary Chuck Heath had reached out at the end of last year to

members to find out if they were planning on renewing before the rate change. Ron Floyd volunteered to help contact members who chose not to return to find out why.

Webmaster's Report – Steve Ries was absent.

Rules Chairperson – Steve Taylor stated that he has continued to re-mark the course for tournaments where stakes have been missing.

Correspondence – Some members provided feedback regarding the proposed rules changes. This information will be covered later in the report.

Old Business – Jeff Blackmon gave his report about the audit of the club. Everything checked out fine and he made some suggestions for improvements. Charlie Aichele stated that he has since made modifications to the books based on Jeff's recommendations.

Gary Krohn brought members up-to-date regarding the new rollout of Member Planet. This will replace our current system for signing up for tournaments. PayPal will no longer be used to sign up for tournaments. In addition, all tournament results will be placed on this site. Each member will have an individual access to the site so that he or she can sign up for tournaments as well. The fees to use the site vary in that there is only one charge for signing up for multiple tournaments whereas PayPal used to charge a fee for each tournament that members signed up for.

Gary talked about the Ambassador Program proposed by the NCGA to act as a liaison between the NCGA and each participating club. The NCGA has tried to reach out to their membership to better advertise the discounts offered to members for hotels, eateries, etc.

Dennis Foxx reviewed the recent surveys sent to members regarding the two possible rule changes available to each membership to adopt. He reviewed the responses offered by the membership. The purpose was to offer transparency to the possible changes discussed. Some members brought up questions about the interpretations of the rules. A lengthy debate occurred. The first rule to discuss was the out of bounds rule. A motion was made to hold a vote. The out of bounds rule was turned down. Secondly, the maximum score on a hole allowed on a hole was voted on. It was turned down. Both were ultimately voted down. Further discussion was discussed regarding the heavy rough and plugged ball rule. The board will review and discuss what to do in these situations.

New Business – There was no new business.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49.