

## February 18, 2025, RGC Board Meeting Minutes

**Called to Order:** 6:31

*The January Meeting Minutes have been approved and posted*

**Present:** Paul Wilson, Tim Turnquist, Steve Hendrickson, Scott Herman, Jesse Sierra, Ken Lyon, Jose Salcedo, Tom McElhatton, Dan McCullough, John Wharff, David Bills

**Absent:** Harry Wharff, Rick Carter, Ron Floyd

**President's Message:** David thanked the board for the great start.

**VP Message:** John sent the Newsletter out to 182 members. The Raffle is off to a good start with the last two tourneys. Steve will run the raffle for the 2-man tourney in March. John plans to meet with Lori soon regarding the pricing for the Invitational tourney lunch.

**Tournament Director:** Jesse ran into a glitch with the skins for the Super Bowl tournament. It has been fixed. There are 73 signed up for the Stableford tournament. Jesse contacted the software company and they have no time frame as to when they would have 2-man best ball as the live scoring function.

**Tournament Bookkeeper Report:** Harry has the tournaments all paid off.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jose received the latest bill from the NCGA, and our credit with them went toward that bill. He received an annual bill from the USGA for \$175, so he will be paying that soon. Jeff Blackmon performed the audit and is in the process of filing it.

**Secretary's Report:** The 2025 RGC membership now has 194 members, including 23 who are new to the club this year. 43 members have not renewed yet from last year and that's down 10 from last month. These numbers are consistent with the last five years at this time. It does appear that more of our new members are "playing members" than in years past. The Shadow Box is updated and Major Winners sheets are in the process of being created.

**Webmaster's Report:** Tim has the website updated with the latest Eclectic scores and the Wade Cable winners. He also has the RSVP emails updated and being sent to Jose and Harry. He will check the scoring in the tournament guide for the Stableford tournament.

**Rule's Chairperson's Report:** Ken is pleased with the condition of the course considering the recent rain. Maintenance has worked hard to remove fallen branches. The course appears to be draining well. He reiterated the need for pace of play to include the out of bounds/lost ball new USGA rule that allows the player to move sideways onto the fairway from the point of the lost ball and hit "4." He will talk to the rules committee about this and bring it to an open meeting in the future.

**Handicapper's Report:** Rick was absent but has everything updated.

## Correspondence:

- A member discussed the need to make the Eclectic tournament flighted to make it more fair for everyone. The change of reducing all members to a maximum of an 18 handicap was passed and will be played as such for the rest of the year. The problem in the past is that the tournament guidelines dictate that tournaments cannot be flighted if the total number of participants is under 40. Currently, there are 39 members. If another member signs up, it will naturally be flighted. David has responded to this member.
- A member brought up a typo in the rules that will be fixed.
- A concern was shared about the Graeagle/Whitehawk tournaments being played on Fathers' Day weekend. A request was made to poll the membership about the interest level so that those who are interested can move forward with booking a VRBO and not worry about losing a deposit if the tournament(s) are cancelled.

## Old Business:

- The Facebook advertisement began running February 1<sup>st</sup> and is currently gathering interest. The advertisement reached 9.3k viewers, 314 clicks, and 24 made direct inquiries. Those interested have been forwarded to the secretary.
- Scott, Tim, and Steve have begun making updates to the by-laws and will forward it to the board to review before sharing it to the membership along with a review of the changes for an online vote at the April Open meeting.
- The Perpetual trophies need to be updated.
- The secretary will send a letter to the Wade Cable family recognizing the most recent winner of the award. Ron has recognized Jesse for his hard work.
- Harry and Jose are in the process of managing all money by one person (Treasurer). This transition will take a while. Two accounts are managed, the tournament fees and the membership fees. The tournament bookkeeper would eventually be eliminated and Harry would instead serve as an assistant to the treasurer. Funds are handled electronically now, so there is less of a need for two people to handle the funds. A change to the by-laws would be necessary. More information will be available by the April Open meeting.
- The President identified the different committees and chairpersons. Each chairperson assembled their members.
  - Rules Committee: **Ken Lyon**, Harry Wharff, Dan McCollough, Ron Floyd and Jesse Sierra
  - Tournament Committee: **Jesse Sierra**, Harry Wharff, Rick Carter, Bryan Lange, Steve Hiatt, Steve Hendrickson, Ken Lyon
  - Entertainment Committee: **John Wharff**, Ron Floyd, Steve Hendrickson
  - Audit Committee: **David Bills**, Jose Salcedo, Ron Floyd, John Wharff, Harry Wharff, Jeff Blackmon

- Budget Committee: **David Bills**, Jose Salcedo, Ron Floyd, John Wharff, Harry Wharff
- Election Committee: **Tim Turnquist**, Tom McElhatton, Steve Hendrickson
- Handicap Committee: **Rick Carter**, Jesse Sierra, Harry Wharff, Ken Lyon
- By-Laws Committee: **Scott Herman**, Tim Turnquist, David Bills, Steve Hendrickson
- Membership Committee: **Paul Wilson**, Tom McElhatton, Jose Salcedo, John Wharff

**New Business:**

- David will meet with a member to address concerns related to pace of play and communication within the group.
- There is a lack of a need for an April board meeting prior to the April Open meeting. An agenda will be prepared for the Open meeting.

**Meeting Adjourned: 7:49**