

RGC Board Minutes February 12, 2019

Meeting Called to Order 6:32

January 2019 Open Meeting minutes approved.

Board Members Present: Dennis Foxx, Steve Hiett, Paul Christianson, Gary Krohn, Paul Wilson, Jesse Sierra, Harry Wharff, Steve Hitchcock, Charlie Aichele, Steve Taylor, Bryan Lange, Steve Ries

Board Members Absent: Dave Arellano, Ron Floyd, John Parola,

President's Report – Dennis Foxx stated that Jeff Blackmon and Robert Kwick are in the process of completing the audit. Jeff attended the meeting for that purpose.

Vice President's Report- According to Steve Hiett, the discount books advertising local businesses are once again available for purchase as a way to raise funds for the Christmas party. They can be picked up at the tournament desk.

Tournament Director's Report - Jesse Sierra stated we had 70 players compete in the Super Bowl tournament, well short of the original number of 96 that were scheduled prior to the rain postponement. There are currently 59 players signed up for the zone qualifier. Jesse was pleased with the use of a modified shotgun and plans to inquire about using it in some future events like the Memorial tournament and a couple of others that are popular.

Handicap Chairperson's report – Gary Krohn reported all tournament handicaps are up-to-date for the upcoming zone tournament.

Tournament Bookkeeper's Report – Charlie Aichele shared that the books are all in good shape.

Treasurer's report – Paul Christianson stated that the books are up-to-date and in good shape. The budget has been scheduled to remain comparable to last year's budget. However, the post office box and the USGA fees have increased.

Secretary's Report- Paul Wilson announced that the club has 233 paid members, and 70 non-renewals year-to-date. Last year at this time we had 256 members with 56 non-renewals. However, our numbers are similar to 2017. A current member phone list will be emailed to all board members this week.

Webmaster's Report- Steve Ries reported that the website is updated.

Rules Chairperson- Steve Taylor reported the need to update the condition of competition. He stated that he did a lot of work before the Super Bowl tournament to try to get the course playable. He will clarify the procedures for playing in areas with downed trees.

Correspondence – There was no correspondence to report.

Old Business – Dennis Foxx discussed options regarding the two local rules that are available for clubs to incorporate: a maximum score per hole and the out of bounds rule. He felt that rules of this magnitude should be voted on by the membership. A survey is being considered as a possibility. Options were discussed regarding how to include the membership and make their voices heard. Any collected data would then be evaluated by the tournament committee.

New Business – Gary mentioned that last year we removed all tournament handicaps after two years. For majors, you needed to be active for 5 straight years and you needed to play in 10 tournaments. However, this new format eliminates some members who have not played in enough tournaments. Gary plans to archive those members who fall in this situation.

Attached are the notes Gary Krohn took at the NCGA seminar as the Club Ambassador...

On January 29th, I attended an NCGA seminar as the Club Ambassador. The topic of discussion was a new platform being introduced by the NCGA called Member Planet. It will be subsidizing GHIN effective in April. NCGA created this platform because they got tired of waiting for GHIN to be updated. GHIN has been telling NCGA they were going to update for the last three years.

Member Planet has different components. They include billing, communication, score posting and event management.

Effective in April, NCGA will no longer have paper billing. Everything will be done by email.

Communication can be done either by emails or texts. We will also be able to generate surveys, create newsletters, link social media, attach photos/ videos and grow our membership.

All tournaments would be accessed through this platform. Member Planet has their own payment and would replace Paypal. The fee is 3% and .30. The members would enter online or by mail/ drop-off entry. If they enter online, it would go directly into the tournament bank account. In addition, the members would be able to see all tournaments they have entered through the platform. This would eliminate the problems we have been having with Paypal. All the information that NCGA has on members would automatically transfer into Member Planet in April. The members can individually choose what information they publicize like email, phone, etc. We can pick and choose who can see what as a Board. For instance, when the members register for a tournament, only the tournament and handicap committees can see all the entry information.

One other item that will be replaced is the Message Board. Member Planet allows members to contact each other without having their contact info. The Board can also send out broadcast messages to all members so this would help out the VP and TD.

Member Planet also could host our website if we want. The website would all be drag and drop.

NCGA is also hosting a tournament program called Golf Genius.

I completed a survey which is required from Member Planet. They just sent me an email to find out when they can contact me to go into further detail about the platform.

Meeting adjourned at 7:57.