

August 5, 2025, RGC Board Meeting Minutes

Called to Order: 6:30 PM

The July Meeting Minutes have been approved and posted

Present: Tim Turnquist, Steve Hendrickson, David Bills, Michael Rossiter, Jose Salcedo, Paul Wilson, John Wharff, Dan McCullough, Scott Herman, Ron Floyd, Ken Lyon,

Absent: Tom McElhatton, Harry Wharff

President's Message: David thanked the board for their work. He reviewed the process for the upcoming election process for the September 18th Open Meeting.

VP Message: John sent the Newsletter out on July 29th. He received the final pricing for the Invitational meal and the choice is the same as last year's menu: tri-tip sandwiches with two sides. The divot tools are ordered and paid for. He will put out an election's notice and reminder on the details of the Invitational.

Tournament Director: Harry reported 46 players are signed up for the club championship, which is lower than recent years. Some questioned whether the lower numbers are due to multiple-day tournaments being scheduled so close to one another. The 54-Hole Team has been completed.

Tournament Bookkeeper and Treasurer's Report: Jose has all tournament money and skins money paid. The tournament accounts are in good standing. The divot tools have been paid for as well.

Secretary's Report: The 2025 RGC membership now has 210 members with 38 non-renewals after adding two new members in July. At this point in the year, any new memberships will be saved for the 2026 season and they can begin playing RGC tournaments in October. The shadowbox is updated with the 54-Hole Team results, including the photos of the winning teams.

Webmaster's Report: Tim has the website updated except the posting of the Newsletter. All tournament results have been posted.

Rule's Chairperson's Report: Ken answered a question about practicing during a tournament. It is against the rules to practice on or near a putting green during tournament play, even if it is match play. This is for speed of play purposes. Another question came up regarding an OB ball and the ability to move to the fairway. Ken answered that it is a choice and not a requirement. A question was raised regarding gopher holes on the #18 green. The ball should be played under Abnormal Course Conditions, with free relief for interference with stance, stroke, and line of play (when on the putting green).

Handicapper's Report: Mike has the Eclectic updated. Anyone who has signed up for the Eclectic tournament now receives a summary after each event. He is updating the handicap lists to remove people who are no longer members of the club. An updated tee form will be sent to the secretary to update the membership list.

Correspondence:

- No correspondence.

Old Business:

- Harry will update the Perpetual trophies. He will share the results of his findings next month.
- Tom initiated a scholarship proposal for two \$500 scholarships for high school seniors after a First Tee administration vetting process. The Board will run the idea out to the membership regarding their interest at the Open Meeting. A possibility could be attaching it to the upcoming application for 2026.
- 2026 Away event suggestions were sent to Harry.

New Business:

- The current GolfSoftware Tournament System is no longer compatible with NCGA. Golf Genius and Blue Golf are better platforms but more expensive. The Board will further research and select the platform that better meets the needs of the club. A motion was made and passed absorbing the cost increase for the 2026 year (no added cost to membership), with a planned discussion next year about an associated membership fee increase for 2027.
- A motion was made to charge late renewing members \$10 if they sign up after January 1st. This will help improve the efficiency in transitioning to the 2026 season. This was voted and approved unanimously.
- Interested candidates for 2026 RGC board positions:
 - President – John Wharff
 - Vice President – Tom McElhatton
 - Secretary – Paul Wilson
 - Treasurer – Jose Salcedo
 - Members-at-Large – Dan McCullough, Yanni Lenakakis, Jim Espinoza

Meeting Adjourned: 8:03 pm