

Whitinsville Golf Club

P.O. Box 128

Whitinsville, MA 01588

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Governors held March 16, 2015 at 5:30 PM in the clubhouse at 179 Fletcher Street, Whitinsville, MA 01588

Members Present and Absent were as follows:

Officers:

Sal D'Amato, President

Tony Divincentis, Vice President

Governors:

Dave Glispin

Marc Auclair

Don Bonner

Brian Johnson

Eric Anderson

John F. O'Brien, Secretary

Absent: John Armstrong

Others: Frank Ianetta, General Manager Steve Hebert, Matt Griffiths, Jackie Heffernan

Dave Sampson

The Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM

1) Minutes

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2015 Meeting
The board voted approval of said motion.

2) Treasurers Report

70 Members have paid in full, currently have a dues income short fall of \$38,000, however, several membership changes are not included in that figure.

Noted there are less than 15 members without e-mail, so bills will be sent via email beginning in April, this should save time and money. The members without e-mail will continue to receive a hard copy.

Working on a solution to the bill confusion. Current system requires monthly charges to be posted against the credit balance.

Review delinquent members balances.

Reviewed the 2012 Referral program, Jackie will verify the amounts.

3) Tournament Report

Matt noted several courses are going to have a junior golf league, currently, The Haven, Highfields, and Green Hill are involved. Notices will be sent out to generate interest. Cost is \$150/player includes shirt, golf balls and participation. Practices and matches will be held on a weekday afternoons.

4) House

Steve Hebert presented a proposal to repair and paint the woodwork in the dining hall, and address the lighting issue. Damian Bonaventura offered the labor to install a chair rail.

Motion was made and seconded to appropriate \$5000 for the patching of the woodwork and painting of the hall.

The board voted approval of said motion.

The water heater has been replaced at a cost of \$13000.

Meeting is scheduled to review a solar energy proposal for the clubhouse and pumping station.

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Looking to solve the issue with the dryer, would require relocating it, which would need additional gas piping.

Working on club storage issue, too many push carts for the space we have.

Marc provided pricing for a storage shed. Tabled at this time.

5) Tournaments

Schedule is completed and will be available online. Limited amount of books will be made for those wanting a hard copy due to the cost involved.

Reviewed the Tuesday League Format. Will have the format ready for next meeting

6) Marketing

Drawing was held for those who completed the survey, John Hoele won the foursome.

Discussed placing an ad in the Telegram, Tabled until May Meeting.

Reviewed an incentive proposal for the April 26th play day, a limited amount of referrals will receive a dues credit for new members joining.

7) Grounds

Too much snow to determine and opening date. Snow from covered greens will not be removed at this time.

Reviewing architects for the work on the second green, Suggest Ron Forse, will review with the committee so we can set up a meeting in April or May.

Cart paths, more of the work will have to be done by the contractor due to the winter. Workload will require work on the course.

8) Handicaps

Will send out a notice regarding the handicap policy

9) General Managers Report

Discussed changes to the senior membership and a National Membership, tabled for the time being.

Revenue for the bar is approximately \$6000 ahead of the same period last year.

Noted the hall rentals have increased.

Marc requested that we find a way to track the rounds of golf played for the year, and also can new bag tags be purchased to identify who holds various types of membership.

Credit card policy. Guest will be allowed to use a credit card for purchases and members will be able to charge to their accounts at the present time. Still do not have a credit card machine in the lounge due to wiring issue.

10) Secretary's Report

We currently have 292 people holding a membership. 194 Full Member equivalents.

Eric Foligio Junior to resigned, Frank Caccavale MLA

11) New Business

Agreement for the General Manager was presented for the period March 2015 to February 2016 Motion was made and seconded to approve the agreement.

The Board voted approval of said Motion.

Agreement of the PGA Professional was presented for the period March 2015 to December 2015.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the agreement

The board voted approval of said motion.

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Agreement for the Greens Superintendent was presented for the period January 2015 to December 2016.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the agreement

The board voted approval of said motion.

Update on the internet wiring. Need to update receipt printers cost \$45 each

Statements will be available online.

Having an issue with the Golf now and the web domain from GoDaddy.

12) New Business

Member/Guest Mondays noted we did this 2 years ago to promote play on Mondays as it was not busy. A member can bring 1 to 3 guests for \$50 each including carts and tee of between 9am and 12 noon, members cart fee not included.

Don Bonner requested clarification on the duties of the board and house chairman on who is responsible for hiring staff. All were in agreement it was up to the General Manager, and the board should stay out of the day to day operations. Don noted his disagreement and would submit a proposal for the founder members to review.

KENO Policy – Sal submitted a keno policy with revisions, siting issues that have been brought to his and other board members attention. The policy was previously adopted when KENO was installed, however it has not been completely adhered to.

Dave Glispin and Don Bonner excused themselves.

Motion was made and seconded to adopt the policy as submitted.

The board voted approval of said motion.

13) Adjournment

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 7:40 PM

Next meeting March 31, 2014 at 5:30 PM

Submitted

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Secretary

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