



Golf Committee Minutes

Date of Meeting: June 8, 2015 Time: 3 PM

Location of Meeting: Clubhouse Downstairs Meeting Room

Members Present: Shelly Borak, Goodie Mollen, Russ Porges
Stephanie Harmon (FSR Management)
Dave Wasenda, Shannon Pfundheller (appliedgolf)
Charlie Lerman, Michael Chait (Board of Trustees)

Members Absent: Ben Singer, Sue Miller

Discussion:

1. Michael Chait was introduced as the liaison to the committee from the Board of Trustees..
2. Dave Wasenda updated the numbers for members, revenue, etc. The membership numbers adjusted for refunds are 380 as of today versus 406 last year. Of the approximately 50 people that were members last year who did not renew, half were for medical reasons, 7 joined other courses, and 17 either did not play enough golf or lost interest in playing.
3. Dave stated that revenue as of today is \$157,000 versus \$159,000 at the same time last year.
4. Stephanie stated that a procedure is in place to prevent people from paying their membership, using the Toll Advantage or appliedgolf programs to play in places like Florida or California, and then requesting a refund of the membership prior to playing at Regency.
5. Dave informed us that he negotiated coupons for playing The Meadows and distributed those along with the coupons for discounts at the driving range on Applegarth Road, and for a free round at either Knob Hill or Clearbrook, to all paid up Regency members. He also started a program for seniors to play Knob Hill for \$33 on Monday or Tuesdays. It is also becoming known as 4 play, 3 pay (using the rate of \$44/person).
6. It was noted that the golf course is in excellent condition and that the only place a problem appeared was due to excess rain sitting on top of a green instead of draining. Chemicals were used to make that rainwater seep into the ground. Dave stated that in order to enhance communications between the person who performs most of the maintenance on our golf course (John) and the staff at applied golf, he has established an intermediary level using another individual who is well known to Regency members that play at Clearbrook (Victor).
7. The Men's Mayor's Cup will be played on June 22nd. The golfers representing Regency will be Vinny Berry, Don Cooper, Charlie Gatt and Virgil Marino. Regency has won the cup the past four years.
8. Stephanie talked about the increase in the number of medical refunds this season to paid members who have proven medical situations, which make them unable to continue playing golf for the rest of the year. League refunds are decided by the administrators of each league.
9. Stephanie will be sending out communitywide emails in which she will warn residents of the dangers of walking on the golf cart paths during playing hours, allowing guests to use the golf course property for non-golf activities, or playing golf without registering in the Golf Shop. Shannon will send a related message out as part of her membership emails.
10. Shelly read an email that was sent to him from Bernie Tractenberg, the Chairman of the Landscape Committee. In the email he stated that the Golf Committee was underutilizing the area he referred to as a "Golf Patio" at the back of the cart barn. The look of this area has improved greatly since the work was completed a couple of years ago, but it is not the kind of space that



would support the golf events which are currently held at Regency. It is not large enough to seat the 36 players at each event, or with 2 shotguns, as many as 72 players. After a long discussion concerning its use for things like continental breakfasts it was determined that most golfers come directly from their homes a few minutes prior to teeing off, and therefore have already had breakfast if the event is in the morning. There also is no power supply to keep a coffee urn or hotplate powered up for the several hours required to provide 2 shotguns with the coffee, etc. If any event is going to have something on the patio prior to playing, the organizers of that event will have to provide funds for whatever is being put out, contact Stephanie and David if power is required for heating or warming anything. As far as BYO Wine and Cheese after events, this does not happen since all events include meals after playing. Shelly, representing the Men's League stated that on occasion, the Thursday morning men's golf league may be able to provide cold drinks, muffins etc, and may use the area for any announcements PRIOR to playing. In addition he will speak to Vinny Berry and Don Cooper to do the same thing with their Tuesday afternoon group, which usually numbers 12-20 golfers. It will never be used after league play because the players head to the parking lot and drive off within minutes of completing play. It was also noted that the 2 new committee members did not know there was a patio in that area as everyone walks by looking at the putting green, or heading directly to the first tee to begin playing, or in the case of a shotgun start, passes by the area without looking to the right rear of the cart barn. Also discussed was the use of the patio by Pickle Ball players or other groups and Stephanie said they have their own area, gazebos, etc. to use for their events.

11. A discussion was held concerning the reduction of membership in the Ladies League, which would result in returning one of the 10AM starting times back to free play, with the hopes of increasing revenue. Shannon will report at the next meeting as to the volume of players on each of the 2 days and a recommendation will be made to the Board if it is necessary to change the times of play for the ladies league, and written notice will be sent to their administrators. This will be decided in August in order for the league administrators to talk to their membership at the end of season luncheon.
12. The meeting was adjourned at 4PM. The next meeting of the Golf Committee will be held Monday, August 10 at 3PM.

Submitted for the Golf Committee: Shelly Borak