

Sequoia Woods Country Club Men's Club
May 2015 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

May 18, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Walton at 2:00 p.m.

Members Present: Jim Walton, Mike McAtee, Roger Hawkins, Dave Ryniec, Alan Beymer, Bob Atchison, Guy Pollak, Joe Caccamo, Hank Rullhausen, Tim Hanrahan, Ed Stahlberg

President's Report:

Scholarship for Chris Faria: Chris Faria appeared before the Board to provide information on his background, work experience and future goals as a PGA professional. Following his presentation, members of the Board had a time for discussion and questions with Chris. Chris noted it is his intent to stay with SWCC for at least the next six years. The Board thanked Chris for his presentation.

The Board then discussed among themselves at length the benefits of supporting Chris through a scholarship for his PGA Golf Management Program similar to the program that our Pro Bob Reichle completed. In addition, Hank Rullhausen reported on the SWCC Board of Directors meeting with Chris and their commitment to Chris for PGA golf professional training over a 3 to 4 year period.

Mike McAtee moved to provide a scholarship to Chris Faria in the total amount of \$3000(\$1000 a year per course level) over a three to four year period, the funds coming out of Charity Classic Tournament scholarship funds, provided Chris successfully completes his course work level by level. Bob Atchison seconded the motion, and it passed with no opposition. Scholarship funds will be provided to Bob Reichle, following the August Charity Classic Tournament, and he will be responsible for monitoring Chris' progress and paying fees to the PGA. Bob and Chris will be required to report back to the Board on an annual basis. Chris will be responsible for the cost for any retakes should that be necessary.

Opening Remarks----President Jim Walton reported on a prior conduct complaint about a Men's Club Member. The Member had been asked to attend this meeting, but is no longer a SWCC member.

Jim also provided a draft letter to Bob Reichle on the “Membership Requirements for 9 Hole Play.” The letter stated that at the discretion of the Golf Pro, a potential Men’s Club Member be allowed to play two (2) separate 9 hole rounds with the 9 hole Men’s Club players. Tim Hanrahan made a motion to have the letter sent to Bob, and Mike McAtee seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jim asked if there were any suggested changes to the April 2015 Board Meeting Minutes. Being none, Roger Hawkins made a motion to approve the minutes, it was seconded by Guy Pollak, and the motion passed without any opposition.

Jim reported that the “Big Break Challenge” was set for July 16th at 3 p.m. and there would be 4 skills events and elimination rounds. There will be no Blue Lake Cup points for this event.

Vice President’s Report:

Vice President Mike McAtee reported that there are 90 Members participating in the Blue Lake Cup to date.

Mike also provided an update on the Charity Classic indicating that the charities selected had been notified, and he has told them that their assistance will be needed in order for the tournament to be a success. Charlotte Hood has been asked once again to coordinate assistance from the SWCC women golf groups. Joe Caccamo indicated he and his wife should be added to the donors list. Mike will be providing materials to be used by Board Members when they visit potential donors.

Treasurer’s Report:

Treasurer Roger Hawkins provided hand-outs on the financial transactions which have been completed since the last Board Meeting, and the income and expenditures for 2015 to date. Roger indicated all accounts are up-to-date and balanced.

Secretary’s Report:

Secretary Ed Stahlberg reported that a get well card had been sent to Sharon Lane, the wife of long-time Member Hal Lane.

Membership:

Membership Chairmen Guy Pollak indicated the Men's Club membership is 138 Members to date. He also reported that the membership data base had been updated and information from 2012 to date has been kept. In addition, Guy said he had sent an e-mail to about thirty (30) 2014 members that had not joined so far in 2015. Nine (9) prior members responded and are now 2015 members.

Tournaments:

Tournament Chairmen Dave Ryniec reported that there were 24 players in the May 16th Low Net/Skins Tournament, and \$480 was paid out to players and \$100 for food.

Dave also indicated that the Men Vs. Women Tournament for June 4th has been posted. The tournament is for "bragging rights," but the Board agreed that the Men's Club Members playing should pay \$10 each to help with the costs. There will be no Blue Lake Cup points with this tournament. In accordance with the Board's prior decision to invite both the 18 hole and Sequoians Women Members this year, both women's groups will be notified that they need to sign-up now. In addition to the tournament, June 4th will be a normal "play-day" for those Men's Club members not participating with Blue Lake Cup points awarded.

In addition, Dave reported that the June 18th Par 3 Tournament would be like last year with 3 flights, and Blue Lake Cup points awarded.

Par/Ringer:

Par/Ringer Board Chairperson Alan Beymer reported that there are now 75 Members participating in the Par/Ringer Board. Alan also indicated he is sending the Monday/Thursday results to the Calaveras Enterprise for their sports section.

Handicap:

Handicap Chairmen Bob Atchison reported that after a number of score cards being disqualified they are now coming in correctly. Bob also said the "play-day" scores are now being posted by the Board.

Greens:

Jim reporting for Green's Chairman Tim Hanrahan indicated that 16 members participated in a workday led by Assistant Greens Chairman Kevin Andel. Jim also noted that those who participated in the work party were agreeable to clean further up the hill on the left side of 18 to the property line. Tim will discuss with Paul Watts to determine if there should be another work party this season.

Member Liaison:

Member Liaison Joe Caccamo asked about a rumor that work party participants were going to receive Blue Lake Cup points for their effort. It was noted that the rumor was false. Joe had no other comment from the membership.

Owner Liaison:

Owner Liaison Hank Rullhausen indicated the covered patio deck has been almost completed. Hank also reported on the new bridge installation and on the ponds on Holes 1/2 and 10/11. He said FEMA wants the bridge raised 42 inches and hopefully the supports can be installed in July, with the installation of the bridge to follow. If the July window of opportunity is missed then the work would be done after Labor Day.

In addition, Hank reported that a new blue tee box on Hole 6 might be built within the next few months, and it would be a raised tee box approximately 12 feet above the present grade level.

Hank also reported on the water issues facing SWCC over the next few months. He said 120 of the approximate 400 sprinkler heads have been turned-off. He outlined an elaborate plan that should keep at least the tee boxes, greens, and many of the fairways playable throughout the summer.

Other Items:

While not a specific Men's Club issue, there was a brief discussion of the Couple's Golf Tournaments held once a month. It appears they have become so popular that they are filled within a few hours of posting and are not able to accommodate all members wanting to play. Some suggestions such as having

two competitions (one on front nine...the other on the back nine) were mentioned. Hank indicated he would look into the matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ed Stahlberg, Secretary