



7 September 2011

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
September 6, 2011**

President Dave Fletcher convened the meeting at 2:04 PM in the Activities Room of the Athletic Center.

ATTENDANCE: In addition to Dave Fletcher, Deal Hembree, Vice President; Roger Douglas, Treasurer; Paul Schaefer, Handicap Chair; Chuck Zunker, incoming Handicap Chair; Ed Saldana, Tournament Chair; Ray Milewsky, Social Chair; Dave Schultze, Greens Committee Representative; Steve Jones, Secretary; and Michael Peters, Member-at-Large were present. John Gunby, Head Golf Professional, represented club management.

OPENING REMARKS: Dave introduced Joel Schafer, Executive Director of the Amateur Association of Arizona Golfers (AAAG). Joel explained the rationale for the formation of AAAG, its purpose, the benefits of membership, and the cost. Bottom line is that AAAG is in direct competition with AGA for handicapping services and running tournaments. The AAAG is endorsed and sanctioned by the South West Section of the PGA and currently has 25 clubs with approximately 1,000 golfers utilizing its services. It has begun the process of gaining USGA authorization. After Joel's presentation and departure, the Board discussed the pros and cons of joining AAAG. It is a little cheaper than AGA and the handicapping services seem to be equal to those of the AGA. However, the AAAG is not yet approved by the USGA and without approval has no authority to reevaluate the rating and slope of PL. Joel left a booklet with all the pertinent information about the AAAG with John Gunby. Board members will review the booklet and defer further discussions and any decision until the next meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Steve Jones moved, Deal Hembree seconded, to skip reading and approve the minutes from the August Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: Ray Milewsky reviewed the PLMGA website. There are significant benefits of the new website for all members. We must convert to the new website by February 2012.

The Board discussed a proposed golf tournament on 11 November (Veterans Day). Ed Saldana will work with his committee and the Pro Shop on the format, cost, etc.

The dates for the General Membership meetings and meals for the remainder of 2011 were established. The next meeting will follow a lunch at the Athletic Center on Wednesday, October 12th after the men's day matches. The final meeting and dinner are scheduled for Wednesday, December 14th. This meeting will be at the Prescott Adult Center on Rosser St.

MANAGEMENT REPORT: John Gunby suggested payment for the distribution of the golf balls collected for the troops in Afghanistan come from the proceeds from the Veterans Day golf tournament on 11 November.

He noted the tee-gifts for the Member / Guest Tournament had arrived and showed a sample.

John will be working with Ed on the Club Championship tournament and emphasized the Last Man Standing tournament will be on 1 October.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

GREENS: Dave noted the greens are healing nicely after aeration. The 'misting' of the fairways seem to be keeping them in better condition than in past years.

He explained that a mistake in the sanding of the practice facility resulted in over-sanding and it will take time for the sand to filter into the ground and the grass to grow through the sand.

There are sunflower seed hulls on the greens, which can affect the path of a putt. If one eats sunflower seeds, please DO NOT leave the hulls on the greens or tee-boxes. In addition, members should not fill divots on the tee-boxes. Virgil's crews fill these with sand and seed mix.

SOCIAL: Ray noted there is not a dinner on Thursday, 15 September because of the men's Member / Guest tournament. Ray provided an advance notice of a special event for PL members only at the Pine Cone Inn. There is a "50's" theme and a special menu will cost \$22.50 per person. The date is 9 November. Watch for additional information.

HANDICAP: Paul noted that flights for the Member / Guest tournament are set.

TOURNAMENT: Ed stated everything is set for the M/G on 15, 16, and 17 September.

The Tournament Committee will review this year's tournaments and begin work on the 2012 schedule immediately after the last tournament this year.

TREASURERS REPORT: There is \$21,268 in all three accounts. There is one check for \$500 that has not cleared. Note: the figure above includes unpaid expenses for the M/G Tournament.

Roger announced that the MGA now has 195 members.

VICE-PRESIDENT: Deal had nothing to report.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE: Michael reported there are 103 participants in the “hole-in-one” fund.

SECRETARY: I had nothing to report.

NEXT MEETING: It will be Tuesday, 4 October in the Activities Room of the AC. All members can attend.

The meeting adjourned at 3:56 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Jones
Secretary