

Board of Directors meeting – May 25, 2021

Board Members present: John Perkinson, John Rush, Jared Westergard, Lynn Zmistowski, Monte Berget, Mary Pomroy, Mark Shill & Ed Smith **Board Members absent:** Brian Ricks

Staff present: Matt Denesha and Mike Molton

The meeting was called to order at 4pm

There was a motion & second to approve the minutes from the last meeting. The vote passed.

Committee Reports:

Greens Committee: Mark Shill, Mike Molton & Matt Denesha

Mike Molton talked about the aerification scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, June 7th & 8th, course will be closed. An outside company will do a deep drill on the greens and it will take 10-14 days for greens to recover. He anticipates that the last week of June they will be good to go. Collars are filling in nicely. Fairway transitions are going good and the rye grass is weak and fading away and the Bermuda is promising. Last week some larvae insect damage was done in the fairways, 75% of the fairway trouble areas are from those insects. Mike has scheduled insecticide application May 26th. Bunker work is being done on greenside bunkers this week, no additional sand is being added just moving existing sand around. The tree trimming scheduled for the June 7th will probably be completed in 2 weeks. Green tagged trees will be trimmed, red tagged trees will be removed. No tree replacement is planned. The shaft on Pump 3 is broken and currently in shop, we are down to two pumps which Mike assured the Board was not a problem. The nursery green project on the right side of the #1 tee box about 1800sf. is in progress with a cost of \$8,000 being done in house. Still waiting for new equipment to arrive, weekly up-dates project an arrival time in July and some in August. Irrigation component, computer, clocks and components have arrived, we are currently working on new system. Architects and engineers are working on projections for our lakes, the cost may be built into 21-22 budget.

Golf Committee and Club Manager Report: Monte Berget, Brian Ricks & Matt Denesha

Matt presented new golf schedule with starting tee times at 6:30am, course closure on Monday's starting from June through September. Matt will implement opening only the front Range area on Mondays with a time frame of 3 to 7pm through the summer. According to Matt, Debbie Blevins in accounting, said the new EZSuite computer software will go live June 30th. This new software will have many updated features that will be beneficial to the day-to-day operations as well as offering tee time capabilities.

WGAAM presented a request to change their member/member in January to a 1pm shotgun and to move their Gold Rush Tournament to March 21 thru 23rd. They also requested the ability to do a gift back to the club from the WGAAM/Gold Rush Committee to have pre-made cabinets in the Ladies locker room for storage in the amount of \$1,200. **There was a motion & second to approve these WGAAM changes. The vote passed.**

Matt presented a request for on Outlaw Tour Event, September 26-28th for 78 players with an afternoon double tee start. This will be a charge of \$60 walking and \$80 riding. There was also a conflicting Monday date with another tournament request for the YMCA. Once a more concrete date is affirmed a request to approve or deny will be presented.

Junior Golf Tournament on Saturday, May 22nd was successful we had around 23 kids participating. The Junior Golf Clinics will start up in June on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday with an expectation of 50 to 60 kids. Matt talked briefly about the High School golf teams request to utilize Alta Mesa for play and practice. He has developed a written agreement that will be in place so that when approached by these institutions, they will understand the requirements necessary.

Finance Committee: Jared Westergard

There was a \$40k profit for the month of April which was under budget due to no Kachina. Food & Beverage in April shows signs of improvement as COVID-19 regulations begin lifting. There is a \$37k better than budget from previous year.

Membership Committee: Mary Pomroy

Mary presented the stat & approval reports. There are 331 total active members; 1 new trial members and 5 status change requests. **There was a motion & second to approve the new members and the status changes. The vote passed.**

Mary gave an update concerning the COVID-19 Canadian Resident Inactive Status Program. In the late summer of 2020, it was the understanding of the Board of Directors that Canadian Members whose primary residence is in Canada, would be prevented from returning to Mesa because of the CoVid-19 pandemic. For that reason, the Board approved a special Inactive Status for Canadian members. This special policy granted inactive status through October 31, 2021 for those Canadian members that applied. In reality, some Canadians went inactive under this policy and others returned to play for the 2020-2021 season. The Board agreed that the Canadian members will be notified that the special inactive status policy is no longer available effective immediately, but the original inactive status duration of November 1, 2020 through October 31, 2021 will be honored. Matt Denesha will be sending out a letter on June 1 explaining this.

A discussion was held concerning non-equity members. AMGC currently has 37 members with Non-Equity status. Sale of non-equity memberships was discontinued 6 years ago. After discussion, the Board agreed that the non-equity membership will be dissolved as of October 1, 2021. Prior to that date, the current non-equity members will be given the ability to upgrade their membership to full equity by paying the difference between what each paid as the initiation fee for their non-equity membership and \$5,000, which was the full equity initiation fee at the time this decision was made. **There was a motion & second to offer this option to the current non-equity members to become Equity members prior to the termination of this membership category. The vote passed.**

There was a discussion on raising the equity initiation fee effective immediately. **There was a motion & second to increase the equity initiation fee to \$10,000 immediately. The vote passed.**

There was discussion on the current inactive policy which has no minimum requirement necessary. The Membership Committee recommended a change to this policy. **There was a motion & second to change the Inactive status minimum to one year with a maximum not to exceed 2 years. The vote passed.**

Mary gave an update on the private cart inspection form. Matt and Kim are currently in the development stage of this form and will begin implementation by Matt Denesha prior to the approval of private cart usage on the course by the end of June.

Professional Membership Agreement – The Board discussed the existence of certain non-dues paying members who are granted that status because they are professional tour players. Mary agreed to review that agreement template and bring it back to the Board for further discussion.

There was discussion of the 325 maximum membership number. We currently have 331 members, plus 14 inactive members. The Board agreed to hold the maximum at 325 through the summer and will address this again in October. We can decide whether to increase the maximum number at that time-

House Committee: Ed Smith and Lynn Zmistowski

Ed has gotten quotes concerning the signage for the entrance and working on bids from contractors concerning the family restroom. He will keep the Board informed as things progress.

Food & Beverage: John Rush

Thursday the kitchen will be closed but as in previous years, a special box lunch will be available up to 2pm. Bar will remain open for drinks only till 5pm. Health Inspector was here last week and we received an “A”. John informed the Board about a mandatory meeting with the food service staff on Monday, June 7th at 10am to discuss employee morale, culture, attitude, leadership and resisting change.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm.

Next meeting is Thursday, June 24, 2021 at 4pm.