

**HICKORY RIDGE BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**APRIL 16, 2019**

PRESENT: Karen Berlew, Dona Hazen, Larry Powers, John True, & Deb Wood

GUEST: Michael Sorce (Representative from RDGA)

The meeting was called to order at 5:10pm.

**MINUTES**

The minutes from the December 4, 2018 board meeting have been approved and posted on the HRGA web page.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Deb reported a balance of \$1,880.09.

**OUTSTANDING ITEMS FROM 2018**

(Note: Sean Brooks was not able to attend the meeting. These items will carry over to the next meeting.)

- Mini-memberships at HR (i.e. offering 10 rounds for \$200) – Sean will look into this.
- List from HR of members for upcoming year (so that the Association can contact them regarding joining the Association) – Sean gave the list to Dona, and Dona has emailed those new HR members that provided email addresses. However, Dona will need an updated list.
- List from HR of employees who are given a free HR membership so that the Association can contact them regarding joining the Association – Sean will get that list to Dona.
- Input to HR for scorecard revision – Deb solicited comments and will give that information to Sean. Sean will discuss the card revisions with Cindy.
- Update from Sean on any news from HR.

**MAILINGS**

The cover letter, application, and tournament schedule were mailed to all 2018 association members on March 19<sup>th</sup>. Dona distributed a listing of 2019 association members. At this time the number of HRGA members totals 30.

Sean contacted Dona about changes necessary to the tournament schedule due to outside tournament conflicts.

#### The Four Club Scramble has been rescheduled **CHANGES TO TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

- from 9/7 to 9/8 and will be a shotgun start at 8:30. There is a outside tournament scheduled that afternoon that Sean said he would schedule for 1:30.
- The Hickory Ridge Cup tournament, scheduled for 6/1 & 6/2, has to be rescheduled due to an outside tournament on 6/2. Two options offered by Sean are 5/25 & 5/26 (a holiday weekend and the PGA Sr. Championship is being held in Rochester) or 6/29 & 6/30. Dona will ask Shaun for other 2-day options. If nothing else is available that works, the tournament will be rescheduled to 5/25 & 5/26.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES FOR MAY 18<sup>TH</sup> SPRING MIXER TOURNAMENT

Dona will email announcement.

Larry will post sign-up sheet in early May.

Dona will prepare instruction sheet.

Larry will prepare cards and do pairings.

Deb will collect money.

Deb will prepare sheets to record scores.

#### NEW RULES OF GOLF

John attended a new rules seminar at Ridgmont CC, and distributed a list to the Board of "Golf's New Rules – Major Changes".

Mike gave the Board a copy of the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf. This copy will be kept on file upstairs at HR.

#### PARTICIPATION IN TOURNAMENTS

(NOTE: Sean Brooks was not able to attend the meeting. This will carry over to the next meeting.)

It has been an ongoing process to try to increase participation in HRGA tournaments and socialization after tournaments. Some of the suggestions discussed were:

- Free drink coupon (well drinks, beer or wine) to all participants
- Provide hors d'oeuvres (raise tournament price to \$10 to cover this)

- Post scores on TV's in bar area using the USGA Tournament Management App – The Board has decided not to do this for this year.
- Hold a 9-hole tournament
- Hold an early Spring get-together at HR with hors d'oeuvres & cash bar. Invite HRGA members, HR members and leagues. Request an RSVP.
- Perks for members - the suggestion was made that HR provide perks to members, such as free golf round coupons so members can invite non-members to play the course. This was done in the past.

#### LOCAL RULES REVISION

Mike reviewed our “Local Rules & Course Information – Second Revision – January 12, 2019”. He said everything looks good, but suggested adding a local rule addressing the new “Alternative to Stroke & Distance for Lost Ball or Ball Out of Bounds” rule. Dona will revise the local rules and send a draft to the board and to Mike.

#### NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 7th, beginning at 2:30pm at Hickory Ridge.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dona Hazen, Secretary