

**Clearview Seniors Golf Club Board of Governors
Minutes of the Meeting held October 31, 2023.**

• **Attendance:**

Joe Bass, Joe Chu, Paul Coburn, Tom Doherty, Larry Feilich, Tom Giudice, Steve Mendelsohn, Mike Pirone, Peter Modifica, Wayne Pokstis, Anthony Rivera, Alan Schultheiss, Sal Tobacco, Paul Vassallo, Leroy Wade, Stu Wolf

Former Presidents: Irwin Katz, John Yacovone,

Excused: George Diamond, Rudy Popolizio, Lido Tenaglia, Joe Valenza

Guest: Jay Priven

President Feilich called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM at Clearview Park Golf Course. The meeting began with the Board members reciting "The Pledge of Allegiance"; and Mr. Feilich requested a moment of silence to honor all past deceased members and those members that are ill.

Opening Remarks: President Larry Feilich

Mr. Feilich opened the meeting by asking for the committee reports related to the flights, tee times and outings.

Minutes:

Mr. Giudice reported the highlights of the minutes from the September 26 Board Meeting.

Mr. Karz moved to accept the Minutes, Mr. Rivera seconded the motion, and the Minutes was approved.

Financial Report:

Mr. Coburn stated that the current bank balance is \$13,179. Mr. Coburn mentioned that the balance at this time last year was \$13,926 resulting in compatibility from year to year.

Mr. Coburn mentioned that the current bank balance is consistent with non-profit organizations. He also reported that to-date he has collected 2024 dues from 63 members.

Outings:

Mr. Coburn reported that arrangements have been made for the June 2024 Club Outing.

The venue for the outing will be Forest Park Golf Course followed with dinner at The October Fest Restaurant on Woodhaven Blvd. The dinner will include all the specialties of the restaurant along with an open bar. The cost of the event will be ½ of the cost of the 2023 Outing. The price for the food will be \$80pp. The cost for golf will be the prevailing rate for seniors.

Tournaments:

Mr. Wolf proposed 4 major tournaments in 2024 in addition to the Outing events, putting contest, "closest to the pin and "birdie fest". All players will compete in tournament play and there will be money prizes totaling \$3480 in 2024. Mr. Wolf explained that there will be a change to the Club Championship Tournament with members for each flight competing for low gross and low net. There will be a first place, second place and third place winner in each flight. Mr. Katz questioned as to the minimum qualification for participating in the Championship Tournament. It was agreed that a 10 round minimum would be the qualifier. If a tie happens, a playoff will occur the following week. Also, the Championship Play will be in August to ensure that Course conditions will be at the highest standard. A new addition in 2024 will be a

Ryder Cup format in which Flight A will compete against Flight B and Flight C will compete against the senior flight. The winning flight will be based on “most points” with the winning team members each getting \$20. Mr. Wolf explained that the proposed tournaments will add excitement to Club play and ensure that all players participate. Mr. Wolf moved to accept the his proposal for the tournaments in 2024, Mr. Giudice seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved. Attached is a copy of each of the 2024 tournaments.

Rules:

Mr. Rivera proposed that the 2023 rules for play continue in 2024. Therefore, A players will always hit from the white tees. Flights B and C will hit from the white tees with the exception of holes 4, 6 and 16 where they will hit from the red tees. Flight “D” (senior group) members always hit from the red tees. Eligibility for the senior group will remain the same as 2023, minimum of 80 years of age. There will be no handicap eligibility to qualify for the senior group. Mr. Wolf suggested that members in both the “C” and senior groups should hit from the red since the handicaps a very much aligned. After much discussion Mr. Doherty moved to maintain the same rules as in 2023. Mr. Katz seconded it and the 2023 rules will continue.

By-Laws:

Mr. Joe Chu opened his remarks by stating that there are no current recommendations for changes to the By-Laws. He reminded the Board of the requirement that future changes must be approved by the Board of Governors and mailed to each member fourteen (14) days prior to the next general membership meeting and acted upon by the full membership. In order for the Club to comply with this requirement and accommodate any changes to the By-Laws before elections in 2024, Mr. Coburn moved to have a General Membership meeting at the June Outing. Mr. Wolf seconded and after a discussion the vote passed.

Mr. Chu pointed out his personal view that the election of officers should be conducted among the Board members as opposed to the election by the full membership. No action was taken, and it remains at this time that the current procedure will continue. Mr. Chu again raised the issue that a Board Member who runs for an office should not be eliminated from the Board if he loses. Mr. Katz refuted that proposal by stating that a person on the ballot cannot be listed for both positions. Mr. Chu suggested that this issue be deferred to next year.

New Business:

1. Mr. Katz recommended that President Feilich offload much of the work that he does for the Club. Mr. Feilich will create a list of tasks with descriptions for volunteers to accept.
2. It was agreed that Mr. Wolf will have the responsibility to develop the rules for his tournament play.
3. Mr. Wolf suggested that the Club consider adopting outerwear with a logo for colder weather. Mr. Modifica will research and present various options.
4. President Feilich will have 2024 new members attend a Board Meeting in April to introduce themselves with their backgrounds and have them learn the Club rules.
5. The following Board members volunteered to be on a steering committee to work on the 50th Anniversary Event. They are: Messrs. Modifica, Katz, Doherty, Vassallo, Schultheiss and Rivera.

Adjourn:

Mr. Katz moved to adjourn, Mr. Tobacco seconded it and the motion passed. The meeting ended 11:51 AM.