

FBMGA Meeting Minutes

The July 2nd 2025 meeting of the FBMGA was called to order at 4:50 pm by President John Rudd with 20 members present. The meeting was held in the dining room of the FBGC.

Board members in attendance: J. Rudd (P), E. Barry (VP), J. Pelican (T), L. Greak (Tournament Director and Web Master) Members at large E. Hoff, A. Corbett and M. Kelly (Sec).

Absent: G. Brien.

Guest Speaker J. Biggers, GM FBGC

Approval of Previous Minutes by M. Kelly

The Previous meeting minutes were approved by the membership.

Scheduled Speakers:

Golf Course Update by J. Biggers GM FBGC

Mr Biggers shared the following:

the number of rounds played has increased, and YTD is ahead of last year.

the playing condition of the course continues to improve

thanks to the Friends of Fernandina Golf for the improvements to the bathrooms on the course

all of the new signage is installed

aerification to begin 7/28 and will take three weeks to finish

all of the new equipment that was ordered has been received. This includes two Toro Greensmasters and a bunker raking machine.

staff will continue to verticut every three weeks to improve the greens

damaged greens are being aggressively worked on.

the practice green should be partially opened by mid July.

tee boxes are being moved to address the excessive wear and crowning.

Tournament Update by L. Greak:

-No tournaments in July

-Two Man Best Ball 8/16

-Two Man Scramble 9/20

Additional Tournament update by J. Rudd. The FBMGA Planning a scholarship fund raising tournament in memory of L. Brauda in September. Volunteers needed to help get tournament prizes from local businesses. Contact J. Rudd.

Treasures Update by J. Pelican

Current balance in FBMGA checking account is (+/-) \$19,533.00.

Current balance in the L. Brauda Scholarship account is (+/-) \$7600/00.

Memorial Wall Update by E. Barry

There are spaces for fourteen names left on the memorial wall. Additional space for names will require a new marble section. Purchase and installation of a four foot section is \$13,200.00. The four foot section will provide space for 80 additional names. Purchase and installation of a two foot section will cost approximately \$8,700.00. The two foot section will provide space for 40 additional names.

Action – E. Barry to get acquisition and installation cost for a two foot section and provide to board.

L. Brauda Scholarship Fund Update by John Rudd

Background: The FBMGA has one scholarship fund (a 501.C3). Segmented and nested within this fund is the money donated to the L. Brauda Scholarship Fund. When the fund raising for the L. Brauda Scholarship Fund is closed, the money donated to this fund will be transferred to L. Brauda's spouse.

This course of action was chosen to provide donors with tax relief.

At this meeting there was a great deal of interest in the future of the FBMGA Scholarship Fund. There were many good suggestions and it was agreed that J. Rudd and K. Mason would meet to chart the future.

New Business

The membership present at the meeting approved a change for future meetings. Quarterly meetings will begin at 8:30 am in the FBGC dining room to be followed by the blitz.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 5:40 pm and was followed by a great dinner prepared and served by the dining room staff.

Submitted by Mike Kelly Secretary FBMGA