

Caney Golf Club Board Meeting, March 21, 2018 - Minutes

Attendees: Harold Howard, Carrie Gustus, Janice Leonard, Brandon Montgomery, Jarrod Miller, Don Engelbert, Criss Davis

Finances

- Current outstanding maintenance expenses: \$3,000 SiteOne chemicals; approx. \$400 for seed and fertilizer; \$500 to \$600 for controllers for greens; \$1,000 for reels.
- Club credit card discussion. No decision made. Tabled discussion for April board meeting when Treasurer would be present.
 - Pro: Expedites online ordering to take advantage of discounts. Can make purchases or payments online and have items shipped versus delay in delivering check in person or by mail. Simplifies Treasurer's job in paying expenses – especially for expenses incurred and paid monthly (utilities, phone).
 - Con: Items charged but not paid off monthly would incur interest expense – raising club's operating cost. Card may need to be taken out by an individual and not the business. No board member wants that financial responsibility. Previous experience with club card that was used for revolving purchases not paid off in a timely manner
- Timing and need for short-term operating expense loan. Does the Club need to borrow money in March to meet expenses or will March dues cover costs? How long will we have readily accessible loans from Arvest Bank – after Don Collier retires? Allen Price (bank president) has been supportive of short-term loans.

Course maintenance

- Sewer line replaced. Josh Dugan donated parts. Josh has resigned his membership but still helped. Due to sewer problems, not able to rent clubhouse to MCAC March 6 and Boys High School Tournament was moved to Sedan.
- Completed project on holes 6 and 8 water line repair.
- Jake Shaffer is working on rental carts with 7-year-old batteries. Two are operational. Jeff Blakemore loaned load test equipment for batteries on remaining carts to pair up those that are still good. One cart has new batteries. Batteries cost per cart: \$800. Best plan is to replace one set of batteries per year but that won't solve operating problems. Most carts in fleet are 20 years old and need other parts as well - bushings, starters, lots of work. Total potential fleet is 8. Three are down and have been for 8 months. Need switches \$130 ea. Plug in receptacle and charger - \$200. Hope only to buy two sets. Carrie suggested checking battery prices at Bumper to Bumper in Bville.
- Clean up and trimming scheduled for April 7. Request volunteers in Tee Talk April issue.
- Greens status – March 17 reseeded - thunderstorm washed away. Verticut 10" deep scheduled Mar 22. Seed to be received March 23 and applied if available. Checking if aerator can come March 24. Course will be closed March 24-25. What was lost? Seed lost \$250. Fertilizer \$16/bag x 6. Problem caused from fall/winter Bermuda treatments with Round-up that spread, although it was painstakingly spot sprayed only on Bermuda. K-State recommended method. In the fall the greens were reseeded but did not germinate for 1-1/2 month due to cold. Some is coming back. Now to reseed. No preemergent has been applied the greens – but should be within 2-3 weeks. Only spots will be reseeded.

Tournament schedule

- Discuss Dome Tournament scheduling conflict with Joplin event. Decision to keep original date of July 14-15.
- Brandon to provide Member/Guest flyer to Janice for May Tee Talk – with deadline to sign up 1-2 weeks in advance. Tournament will use handicaps in Stableford format.
- Need to schedule who will run tournaments.
 - Brandon - Member-Guest, Men's Club, Dome Invitational
 - Carrie – Couple's Tournament
 - Ask Steve Berry - Night Tournament
 - Ask Don Collier & Frank LaForge– Hope Tournament
 - Mick Leonard – Columbus Day
 - Memorial Day – Carrie
 - Tis the Season – Janice + ask Kenny/Libby to help – or Tim Booth?
 - One Person Scramble – ???

- Fish Fry – Don Engelbert
- Jarrod – end of season

Potential tournament organizers to contact: Jake Shaffer, John Heady, Davis brothers

Fundraiser

- Request by Melanee Killian to use course to put on fundraiser golf tournament Sunday May 6 for high school basketball team.
- Club terms that Carrie Gustus will take to Melanee: \$30 per person includes greens fees, cart and trail fee. Minimum 50 people all day. Club does not provide food. Course will be closed to members. If only 40 people, then run half-day tournament. Go/no go date to advise club – 2 weeks prior - April 22. If only 40 then have course for half a day. Half of entries paid in advance. Have Melanee talk to booster club as last time this was attempted, the Booster Club lost money (difference between 50 guaranteed \$1,500 to club and what Boosters collected).

Directors Election

Review by-laws to see if Secretary/Treasurer must be a board member. Harold to contact Tim Bryan to determine his interest in running for the board. Tim Bryan, Tim Boothe and Criss Davis running on ballot.

Miscellaneous

- New Member – Regina Mouser
- Board voted to donate two greens fees and carts certificates to Wounded Warrior tournament scheduled at Adams Golf Course in Bartlesville.

Concession stand stocking

Potential solution to staffing the Snack Bar: need 11 volunteers two days a month – Monday through Friday. Hire Sherri Thompson, Abby Bryan or others on weekends. Jarrod's daughters will help when available, but they cannot sell beer. If we hire for Friday-Sunday, then fewer volunteers needed. Advertise in Tee Talk for volunteers.

Stocking Snack Bar: Who will be in charge? Need to make sure there is inventory. Tim Boothe – Tim Bryan to help? Kerry Gorby can pick up items when he shops for racetrack once a week. Budweiser and Coors are truck deliver. We need to stock Pepsi products for continued free use of cooler. Need Gatorade, snacks. Advertise in Tee Talk. Advertise in Tee Talk -still need an iPad – or iPhone 5+ for credit card capability.

The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.