

# **EMERITUS GOLF**

## **Meeting Minutes**

28 September, 2021

### **Call to order**

Interim Executive Director (ED) called the meeting to order at 1305 Tuesday 28 September 2021.

### **Roll call**

The following persons attended via TEAMS :

Dan Archambault, Interim ED/ Treasurer

Duncan Phillips, Secretary

Tom Martineau, Director

Bruce Phillips, Director

Jim Myler, Director

### **I. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting held on Thursday, 8 April, 2021 had been circulated prior to the meeting. Moved for acceptance by Duncan, seconded by Tom, all in favour.

### **II. Financial update**

The treasurer provided a financial update for information purposes.

### **III. Ratification of Executive Committee decision to appoint Daniel Archambault as Interim ED**

The Executive Committee having agreed to accept Dan Archambault's offer to serve as the Interim Executive Director as a result of Bruce's decision to step down after leading the organization from its inception, sought the approval of the full board. Moved by Duncan and seconded by Jim that Dan be approved as the new ED. All in favour.

#### **IV. Nominations for Director positions**

The following verbally confirmed their intent to be considered for a Director position at the next AGM:

Dan Archambault	two-year term
Tom Martineau	two-year term
Jim Myler	two-year term
Duncan Phillips	one-year term

Bruce Phillips and Troy Killingbeck have elected to not seek renewal as Directors. An invitation will be sent out with the AGM invite asking for volunteers to join the BoD's three vacant positions.

#### **V. Discussion on criteria for membership on BoD**

A lengthy discussion was held concerning the criteria for membership on the BoD and other important positions. Members agreed about the need to have dedicated and qualified individuals on the board all the while recognizing the limitations as to board size and the need to be more inclusive with respect to gender and other factors. The idea of using the Advisory Council framework (the content of the bylaw would need to be reworked) was explored. The Advisory Council could be used to gather leaders with particular areas of expertise that could form committees which could operate under direction of and carry out work for the Board in areas such as communications, fundraising, membership development to name a few.

#### **VI. Possible AGM agenda items**

Dan will send out a notification to the general membership calling for nominations which will include the Memorandum of Agreement and the requirement for applications to reach the Secretary no later than two weeks before the AGM. The current bylaw allows for seven Directors. Other items on the agenda will include a financial update, areas where Emeritus can use its funds, tournament scoring for 2022, ratification of BoD members.

#### **VII. Discussion on future direction of Emeritus Golf, including budgeting and funding.**

A discussion was held on the future direction, budgeting/funding and use of funds for Emeritus Golf. Consensus was that we need to decide as a board with input from the general membership as to how we want to move the organization forward. For the short term we agreed to formalize a budgeting process to rationalize the work of the Tournament and Fundraising Committees that provide input to the Treasurer and

subsequently to the full board. Possible donations to other organizations were talked about, the upshot was that ideas and proposals could be better considered if they were in written form. With respect to the longer term it was felt that a more involved exercise might be more appropriate. The Secretary offered to develop a discussion paper that would seek input from board members as well as other interested persons with an aim to provide a strategic direction for Emeritus Golf.

#### **VIII. Offer of donation of trailer to Emeritus Golf by Bruce Phillips**

Bruce's offer to donate his trailer in exchange for a commitment from Emeritus to donate \$ 1000.00 annually over the next five years to an organization of his choice was considered. The use and value of the trailer as well as in whose name the donations would be named were considered. The result was that the trailer would be taken on as an asset by Emeritus Golf and the donation would be in Emeritus's name if the proposal were to be accepted pending an assessment on the state of the trailer. The exact financial details would be worked out between the donor and the treasurer. Moved by Dan to accept the offer, seconded by Tom, All in favour.

#### **IX. Discussion on changes to the Stableford scoring system for 2022**

Possible changes to the Stableford format for next year's tournaments were discussed the result being that the Tournament committee undertook to bring suggestions forward for the board to consider a preference having been shown for option B of the model presented. This will be presented at the AGM.

#### **X. New Business:**

It was agreed that Bruce would send out a membership survey after receiving input from the directors with the aim of increasing membership participation in our decision-making process.

Jim commented favorably on the quality and value of the Membership Manual and the need to update the content. He also mentioned that Barry Clark was interested in serving on the board and that Stuart Gallagher had offered to work on communications issues. Jim also offered to serve as the Chair of the Tournament Committee.

#### **Closing**

Interim Executive Director (ED) closed the meeting at 14:55 with the next meeting to be scheduled following the results of the survey to review where Emeritus can spend its funds.