

Maryland Interclub Seniors Golf Association

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Crofton Country Club September 15, 1992

Attending

Fred Shaffer, Pres.
Dick Bevan, Vice Pres.
Bud Marshall, Sect.
Sid Rapoport, Treas.
Otis Jefferson
Charles Szymanski
Dick Allchin
George Meyer
Bob Ludwig
Brad Frapart
Douglas Moats
Claude Widerman

George Lipscomb
Roy Gauzza
Ted Branthover
Joe Malinowski
Ray Keany
Merle Shuaker
Ed Abel
Ralph Laycock
Ken Pierson
Ben Smith
Harry Breitbach

President Shaffer called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. He thanked Merle Shumaker, Harry Fulford and. Crofton C.C. for hosting the meeting.

President Shaffer announced that there were several changes in the make-up of the Board of Directors this year since four Board members were retiring after four years service and four new members were elected. He then introduced Otis Jefferson, new member Division; George Meyer Division II; Brad Frapart, new member Division III; and Bud Marshall, new director Division IV.

The president then introduced Harry Breitbach of Crofton C.C. who has accepted position of Treasurer, succeeding Sid Rapoport, who is retiring after many years in that position.

Dick Bevan introduced Ben Smith of Nassawango C.C. who has accepted the position of Secretary, succeeding Bud Marshall.

Minutes of the previous meeting held at Kenwood C.C. on July 14,1992 were approved as corrected (Page 6, Para. 2, change George Ludwig to Bob). Treasurer's Report:

Sid Rapoport distributed copies of the unaudited Financial Statement for the year ended September 30, 1992.

Principal Factors:

Income:

Approximately \$1,000 over the budgeted amount, reflecting returns to MISGA from Events revenues.

Bank interest is estimated since precise accrued interest on the Presidents ABCD Tournament CD is not available.

Expenses

Mailing expense is well over budget, reflecting the decision to use first class postage rather than bulk rate for mailing Events notices and MISGAGRAM.

Division Operations expense is far under the budget. However, Division IV, the most under expended submitted bills for Division qualifier tournament trophies too late to be included in this year's operations. Sid also reminded that such bills should be submitted in a timely manner, with an accompanying expense voucher stating expense is to be charged to Division Operations.

Insurance expense is over the budget, reflecting the negotiation

of a new insurance policy to better serve the needs of MISGA.

The net surplus, income over expense, amounts to \$469 for the Fiscal Year 1992. When added to the previous year's balance, this amounts to cash-on-hand of \$20,060.

A motion by Doug Moats, seconded by Dick Allchin, to accept the Treasurer's report with thanks for a job extremely well done, passed unanimously.

President Shaffer announced that the policy to have three signatories qualified (including the elected Vice President) to sign all checks issued in the amount of \$2500 or more, to satisfy insurance requirements, will be deferred to the new Board.

Committee Reports:

Associates:

Roy Gauzza reported that MISGA continues to grow. Associates now number 4,258. He then distributed the latest rosters to respective Division directors, along with the yearly data reports on dues and changes for each club. He remarked that discrepancies still occur with the submission of new Associates dues late in the year, without indicating whether the dues are for the current fiscal year, nearly ended, or to be held over to the next year.

Roy asked for comments on any changes desired for new membership cards which he will be ordering shortly. No specific changes were offered.

Audit:

Ed Abel reported that the audit of FY 1992 financial operations will be completed in early October.

Mailing:

Ralph Laycock indicated that all mailings had been completed and that further report would be made.

Policy and Planning:

Ted Branthover announced that there was nothing to report from his committee, but indicated that he would address a matter under "Old Business."

Tournament:

George Lipscomb reported on the Presidents ABCD Tournament held at Sparrows Point C.C. He remarked that the rain, combined with large field, resulted in a very long day.

In view of this, George recommended that both MISGA-wide tournaments, the Presidents ABCD and Two-Man Team Championship, be limited to 128 participants.

A motion to this effect by Dick Allchin, seconded by Bob Ludwig, passed unanimously.

George then recommended that, for the Presidents ABCD tournament, the Board authorize two rotating trophies, one for low gross and one for low net, on which the names of the winners in each category would be engraved each year. Costs for such trophies and engravings would be paid out of the interest accrued from the CD investment to fund Presidents tournament prize money.

Merle Shumaker stated that this could not be done in that it would violate the terms of the anonymous provided to fund the Presidents tournament prizes.

Dick Allchin then moved, seconded by Dick Bevan, that MISGA acquire four trophies for the Presidents tournament. Two would be rotating, one each for low gross and low net, with provisions to engrave respective winners' names

each year; and two individual trophies provided each year to be awarded to the respective low gross and low net winners. Costs of trophies and engravings are to be provided from MISGA general funds.

On call for vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Dick Allchin announced that the 1993 Two-Man Championship is tentatively scheduled to be held on September 13, 1993 at Rolling Road C.C.

George Lipscomb reported that he had heard from only two Division directors regarding his request for comments on his proposed rules and regulations for tournament operations. He asked that others respond promptly.

Otis Jefferson remarked that no scores in any category were announced at the recent Presidents tournament.

Dick Allchin responded that he had made the decision regarding not announcing scores to avoid on-the-spot questions.

It was the sense of some that the host club MISGA Rep be responsible for announcing scores.

Otis Jefferson also recommended that the respective Division tournament chairman be listed on entry forms.

MISGAGRAM:

Ken Pierson advised that he would include tournament chairmen and all new officers, directors and committee chairmen in the next issue of MISGAGRAM.

He also remarked that it was difficult to keep up with the necrology section. On this point, Roy Gauzza again asked that Club Reps be reminded to identify deceased members on change sheets sent to him for deletions. He would then forward this information to Ken.

Ken also requested that all send him appropriate information on tournaments, events, club stories, changes in golf courses and club houses, charities supported, and all other news for the betterment of the organization. As editor, he will select materials to be published.

Historian:

Ray Keany reported that a committee to research, develop, and edit an up-dated history of MISGA has been established. This committee, which includes a number of past presidents, will meet, develop plans and report such plans to the Board for approval. Ray distributed copies of the list of committee members to those present.

A motion by Doug Moats, seconded by Charlie Szymanski, to approve the composition of the committee as presented, was passed unan4mously.

Events Reports

Board Bash:

Dick Allchin reported that, to date, 22 clubs will be represented at the Board Bash to be held at Carroll Valley on September 23 and 24. This included 36 men golfers, and 12 eighteen hole plus 4 nine hole lady golfers.

Dick announced that he was planning to have the 1993 Board Bash in the same relative September time frame. He asked for opinions concerning moving the event to Turf Valley C.C. which would be at considerably higher cost per person compared to Carroll Valley. The sense of the Board was to not make such a change.

Fall Frolic at Sea Trail, N.C.:

Weeks of 10/25 to 30; 11/1 to 6; 11/15 to 20 1992.

Claude Widerman reported that both the first and second weeks were full with 10 stand-bys for each week awaiting cancellations. The third week is wide open. Letters confirming housing reservations are to be

mailed Thursday, September 17.

Jekyll Island Junket:

Weeks of 11/2 to 6; 11/8 to 12, 1992

George Lipscomb reported that applications were behind previous years for both weeks. Brad Frapart added that there were approximately 90 people applying for the first week and 134 the second. This compares to last year when there were 170 people each week.

Fred Shaffer suggested that perhaps some other arrangements should be considered, such as the Waynesville, C.C. of North Carolina offer.

Claude Widerman suggested that the committee might look into Swamp Fox, near Myrtle Beach.

Otis Jefferson remarked that four days of golf may be getting difficult for some people to handle. Perhaps a "down day" in the middle should be considered.

Fred Shaffer stated that we should canvass the membership for their desires, perhaps through a survey conducted by a questionnaire in MISGA-GRAM. Also, this problem should be taken up at Division meetings to determine what members want.

Merle Shumaker stated that, perhaps the problem or suggested solutions should be on the agenda of the Reps annual meeting in April. Florida Fling:

Weeks of 2/7to 12; 2/14 to 19, 1993.

Dick Bevan reported that 50 rooms have been reserved for the first week and 60 roomsfor the second. Costs will be \$1,375 for golfing couples; \$1,240 if one a non-golfer; \$910 for a single; and \$225 for a vacationer not requiring housing accommodations.

Spring Fling-1993:

Dick Bevan announced that the clubs at which this event will be held have not yet been selected.

Old Business

President Shaffer presented the following items deferred from the previous Board meeting:

- 1. Patuxent Greens Country Club was formally accepted into membership in MISGA by letter from Fred Shaffer to Jim Bell.
- 2. Past President Bob Fuch's recommendation that past presidents be used as a core of talent to assist committees in their work. It was agreed by the Board that this recommendation has been accepted and is already in place. (See Historian's Report herein).

Herb Hudson's suggestion that MISGA provide jackets for past presidents so that they will be readily identified at all MISGA functions. Following discussion, it was the sense of the Board that, in view of other actions concerning awards, this subject be deferred.

Ted Branthover then asked that his former proposal to establish an Awards Committee be reconsidered.

Dick Bevan reviewed the current policy to award engraved pewter plates to those who had performed service to MISGA.

A motion by Dick Bevan, seconded by Doug Moats, to establish a committee to develop guidelines for appropriately recognizing outstanding service to MISGA, passed unanimously.

4. Glade Valley Country Club interest in MISGA:

Fred Shaffer advised that he and Merle Shumaker had visited the Club and it was their decision that Glade Valley was not really in the market for membership, despite the interest shown by the golf pro. Fred recommends taking no further action in this matter.