Monthly Stonecreek Men's Club Board Meeting

February 2, 2022

In Attendance: Mike Colbert, George Hazlett, Jeff Rasmussen, Steve Laven, Al Kulvinskas, Ken Harder, Bill Fay

Guest: Al Linde

Mike called the meeting to order at 1:30.

Mike asked Ken to give membership report. Ken reported we have 165 members through January 31, with 5 new members. We will be receiving \$320 from AGA for new and existing members joining in January. Mike thanked Ken for his work on membership.

Mike asked Jeff to give his treasurer's report. Jeff reported we have, \$11,446.94 in the bank with \$783.00 in 100 outstanding checks leaving us with \$10,663.94 book balance, which is an increase of \$3,334 from last month. The big increase was due to the AGA paying the club's portion of renewals and new member dues.

Al handed out a President's Cup summary sheet with all the final results. The Board briefly discussed the fairness of using full handicaps as one flight winner had the highest handicap in his flight. After further review, the Board agreed that the process across all flights was fair and the competition generally favored the lower handicap players, not the high handicap players. The Board, on a motion by Ken Harder, seconded by Bill Fay, voted to pay \$80, \$60, \$40 and \$40 for places 1-4 in each flight. Mike also noted that first round winners were all credited with \$10 as they did not have to pay 2nd round registration fees. Finally, Mike gave a special thanks to Al for his tracking of results and communications as Tournament Director.

Brandon Dougherty, General Manager of Stonecreek, joined the meeting. Mike gave him the floor. Brandon told the board that a men's club foursome made the turn to hole number 1, 26 minutes behind the foursome in front of them resulting in Stonecreek putting two foursomes from the general public in between the Men's Club groups. Brandon said this cannot continue. He also told the board, members have been rude to the rangers and driving carts in areas they are not to be driven. The Board assured Brandon that any improper behavior would not be tolerated and members will be penalized.

After Brandon left the board discussed speeding up play. Mike will write a warning letter to the foursome who were 26 minutes behind. Mike will send out a newsletter informing members if they disregard Stonecreek Golf Club rules they will be penalized or suspended. Steve asked the board if we could put a board member on the last hole every week to make sure groups keep up and foursomes start on the right hole. All the board members agreed.

Once those issues were resolved Mike asked Bill how he was progressing on the rules, so we make sure everyone is playing the same way. There was a discussion about should we have lift clean and place in the fairway only or through the entire course. Members thanked Bill for his ongoing attention to detail on the course rules/ member communication project. Discussion will continue at upcoming Handicap Committee, scheduled for February 16th. It was decided by a vote of the board that when we play lift clean and place any ball in the hazard must be played as it lies. The board also voted that when we play the ball down there is no relief from the out of bounds walls or fences.

Mike asked Steve about sign up for the 4 Round Tournament. Steve indicated about 20 people had signed up and indicated he expected about 15 to 20 more people were interested.

Mike brought up shirts for the Club Championship. The board agreed that this year's shirts will be a higher quality than in past years.

Mike thanked the board members for their work.

Mike adjourned the meeting at 2:30.

Submitted by Steve Laven

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