

# TORREY PINES MEN'S GOLF CLUB, INC.



## Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors April 16, 2013

The scheduled Regular Meeting of The Board of Directors meeting of TORREY PINES MEN'S GOLF CLUB, INC., (the "Club") was held at the Torrey Pines Municipal Golf Course, La Jolla, California.

The meeting was brought to order by President Bob Hood at 6:30 pm on April 16, 2013.

Also present at the meeting were Directors: Michael Berg, Peter Born, Brian Cincotta, Marshal Dhillon, John Hoffman, Claude Gigoux, Jerry Jeli, Jim Kerr, Dave Kitchen, Heidi Munn, Bill Riordan, Rob Phillips, Marc Sorenson. Members in attendance included John Cochran, Jason Lampel, and Larry Prosi,

Directors not present: John Standish.

**President's Report: Bob Hood** commended Paul Yossem for publishing the quarterly newsletter which was well received. He also announced the upcoming Spring Fiesta and also announced that we had a couple of committee meetings since the last board meeting that Brian, Claude and John will brief the directors on the results.

### Old Business:

**1. Secretary's Report: David Kitchen** presented a copy of the minutes of the March 19, 2013 meeting to each director.

**A motion was made** to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors for March 19, 2013; the motion was seconded and approved without opposition.

**2. Treasurer's Report: Jerry Jeli** presented the Treasurer's Report as of March 31, 2013 to each director. He reiterated that TPMGC had an undesignated net balance of \$26,000 as March 31, 2013 based on a membership of 1219. He added that \$14,000 of the \$26,000 was carryover from last year's budget. He stressed that the board needs to determine how we intend to spend this amount, whether it be to invest improvements to Torrey Pines Municipal Golf Course or increase funding charitable organizations. He added that the undesignated funds have no impact on the \$50,000 reserve account. He closed by stating the club is in good financial health.

**A motion was made** to accept the Treasurers Reports as submitted; the motion was seconded and approved without opposition.

**3. Torrey Pines Tournament Committee Report: Brian Cincotta, Chairman,** reported he convened a Committee meeting since the last board meeting, which was well attended and resulted in decision to start most of our SCGA qualifiers on the Torrey Pines North course as we have an opportunity to start more players on the North course than the South. On the Senior Championship the committee discussed having the gross flight play in the Weekend events since the SCGA requirements are qualifiers having an index of 5.4 or lower. The committee also discussed having the net flights play in the Thursday events. The committee also discussed coming up with a priority system for player selection which is consistent for both Weekend and Thursday SCGA events; subsidies that are even distributed for Weekend and Thursday SCGA events; standardization of player entry fees, such as \$10 for each one day event and \$20 for two day events; a recommendation that the Weekend events host the TPMGC Senior Gross flights with an index of 5.4 or lower, while the Thursday events host the TPMGC Senior Net Flights with an index of 24.5 or lower; a recommendation that both Senior Championship events play the North and South Courses from the same tees (White on North and Gold on South).

**A motion was made** to restructure the TPMGC Senior Championship so the Weekend events host the gross competition Thursday events host the net competition; the motion was seconded and approved without opposition.

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**4. Weekend Group Chairman Report, John Hoffman,** reported he hosted two Weekend events since that last board meeting, the first on Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, which was a two player competition with a format of six holes scramble, six holes better ball of partners, and six holes all strokes counted for both partners. John indicated he had a lot of positive comments on the format by various players. John also reported the President's Cup, was well attended and commented that since it was a pre-paid event, members did not have to stop by the starter's booth, which help speed up play on both courses. He commented that they played the South course in 4:45 to 4:50 and the North course in 4:30 minutes.

**5. Thursday Group Chairman Report, Claude Gigoux,** reported that the Thursday Committee has met to address a number of issues to include no-show policy and player selection. He reported that the Thursday home events average about 136 players (depending on play on the North or South courses) and the Thursday away events average about 80 players. The committee discussed subsidies for non-SCGA events (as those are decided by the board) and decided the subsidies for the Spring Fiesta, the Fall Frolic, and the Christmas Scrambles remain the same as the designated subsidies in the past. The committee proposed that all remaining Thursday events be divided equally, regardless if they are home or away events. A discussion ensued concerning the proposal with one opinion that dividing the subsidies equally between home and away events did not seem equitable based on the number of players rewarded (136 average home players vs. 80 away players). Three additional concerns raised included: many of the Thursday away events start at 9:00am, which takes a large portion of the workday for those still employed; a number of the events require a lengthy commute; and some of the away events may be more expensive than playing at Torrey Pines.

**A motion was made** to leave the Thursday non SCGA event subsidies as they are currently allocated (\$500 for Torrey Pines Thursday home events and \$300 for Thursday away events). A vote was taken and resulted in 10 yea votes and 4 no votes (one vote absent (John Standish). Accordingly, the subsidies for Thursday non SCGA events will remain the same.

Claude Gigoux then led a discussion on the Thursday event player selection method. The committee proposed changes in the player selection priority system for Thursday home events to give priority to players who were on the previous Thursday play wait list and who have played the previous away tournament. The committee recognized that the automated player priority selection system deployed by Joe Burwell had a glitch that did not take into account any players on the waitlist for consideration. Claude indicated that system is now being worked on to resolve that glitch and wait listed members will now be given priority preference. After lengthy discussion, the board decided to table any revisions to the player selection policy until the automated system is revised.

Claude also led a discussion concerning board members and one guest be given priority for tee times and that board members may be required to collect entry fees on occasion. Further discussion reiterated existing policy that money collectors be limited to one member guest in the player priority system.

A discussion on No-Show policy reiterated existing policy that the cancellation deadline for Thursday events be extended providing a no-show window of 2 days prior to the event, which will allow the Thursday Committee Chairman to fill that spot from the wait list. It was also noted that a couple of months ago, the board voted to eliminate no-show penalties for Thursday away events but the Thursday committee now recommended no-show penalties be re-implemented for away events.

**A motion was made** to extend the no-show policy for all Thursday events. The motion was seconded. A discussion ensued that stated the policy should be addressed by the Thursday Committee prior to any recommendations before the board. The motion was thereby tabled pending the results of the Thursday Committee consideration of the proposal.

Gigoux concluded by announcing that he has successfully negotiated tee times at Balboa on Wednesdays to replace Thursday events scheduled at Carmel Highlands and they have been posted on the website. Claude also looked into the possibility of playing at Mission Bay but he claimed he received negative comments from various members and he also learned that Mission Bay could only offer about 20 golf carts. He therefore decided to forgo any thoughts of playing at Mission Bay.

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**6. Prize Fund Report: John Standish, Chairman,** had an excused absence and Brian Cincotta presented a report on his behalf. Brian and a number of other board members indicated John is very responsive to prize fund requests and appears to be performing well.

**7. Rules Committee Report: Peter Born, Chairman,** reported that he has observed a number of players cheating while playing various formats on the course. He claimed when confronted the players become argumentative. He observed players not “hole out” but not take the maximum allowable strokes according to his handicap. A lengthy discussion ensued to include that his score would not matter in a better ball of partners format but it was pointed out that the back of the scorecard instructed all players to “hole out”. Discussion resulted in a recommendation by the board that Peter and the Rules committee review each of the various game rules and instructions on the scorecards to ensure correctness and submit results of the review at the next board meeting.

**Membership Committee Report: Peter Born, Chairman,** reported the current membership, as of April 15, 2013 is 1229 members. Peter also indicated SCGA is no longer going to support E-Clubhouse and he recommended each member to look at E-Golfer, which will replace E-Clubhouse within the next 60 to 90 days.

**8. Entertainment Sub Committee Report: Rob Phillips, Chairman,** reported that he has coordinated with Carlsbad Golf Center for a TPMGC social event on Sunday, May 19, 2013 between 1 and 3pm, similar to the one the club had last year at Stadium Golf. He indicated it will be posted on the website within a few days and will feature a \$10 payment via PayPal.

**9. Handicap Report: Michael Berg, Chairman,** reported that the results of each Weekend and Thursday events are being closely monitored and penalties are being issued to those members identified as not having posted their scores.

**10. Volunteers Report: Bill Riordan, Chairman,** indicated he had no new information to report but added that he will be meeting with Bob Hood concerning development of No-Show penalty system.

**11. Technology Committee Report: Marshal Dhillon, Chairman,** reported the domain name TPMGC is now ours again as he successfully secured it from the previous webhosting service.

### **New Business:**

**1. Finalization of the No Show Policy: President Hood** advised that finalization will be tabled until the Thursday Committee make a recommendation to the board.

**2. Subsidies for 2013 SCGA Events:** President Hood announced that Tournament Committee recommended subsidies for the SCGA events, which require a motion by the board.

**A motion was made** to apply a \$10 subsidy per player for one day events and \$20 per player for two day events not to include the Senior or Club Championships. The motion was seconded and approved without opposition.

There was a Motion to adjourn at 7:55pm. The Motion was seconded and approved without opposition.

### **THE NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING WILL BE A GENERAL MEETING ON May 21, 2013**

*David V. Kitchen*

David Kitchen - Secretary

*Bob Hood*

Bob Hood - President