

STONE CREEK MEN'S CLUB (SCMC) BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2024

IN ATTENDANCE:

Eugene (Gene) Zaharie	- President
Pat Walsh	- Vice-President
Tom Dorzweiler	- Secretary
Scott Carver	- Treasurer
Brian Leff	- Tournament Chairman
Dave Sanders	- Handicap Chairman
Michael (Mike) Rusch	- At-Large Member
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GUESTS:

Rich Paden	- Golf Genius Board Advisor
Aaron Zick	- member
Jack Byrne	- member

THE MEETING:

the meeting began at 6:10pm  
pizzas and beverages were provided

**President:** Gene Zaharie began the meeting by requesting approval of the February meeting minutes, which was granted by the Board members. Also, he mentioned that Derrick Elkins is ill and unable to attend. He requested that we start by discussing Old / Unfinished Business first, followed by Committee Reports, New Business, and adjournment. Due to the length of several conversations, we didn't get to New Business.

Gene also reiterated that all SCMC members are welcome to the Board meeting. However, if you want to attend and have an item to discuss, please contact him or Pat Walsh to have your topic added to the agenda. This will enhance the flow of the meeting.

Old Business:

The first item is the status of getting SCMC signage installed on the course. Dave Sanders reported that he has provided SC management with all the details of this project, however; they have continued to shine this on. During the ensuing conversation it is rumored that Clackamas County officials do not want any more signs on the course, (there's two: one on the bathroom building between #3 and #4, and one alongside the fairway on #17, tribute to Bob Johnson). It was suggested that paper signs could be put up at the ball dispenser machine and/or on the bathrooms bulletin boards. Dave will pursue this further with SC management and report back on any progress.

The second item is the bank communicated that a recent deposit was over by \$450. Scott Carver had inadvertently picked up several checks at SC and slipped them into the deposit envelope to hold temporarily, but forgot they were there when he dropped in the deposit. This has been rectified with the bank, and the check book is in balance.

The third item is the implementation of an online credit card payment system (OCCPS). Pat Walsh reported that he's been in discussion with BJ at OGA regarding the operation and implementation of such a system. A thorough discussion followed regarding the ins and outs, and complexity of getting this done correctly. There are several options, and all entities involved in the cash flow take their cut. Dave mentioned that OGA is coming out with a new system for courses soon, and this may be applicable for SCMC. Pat is diligently continuing to work this out and will report back with a progress report. From there we went to:

The Reports

**Tournament Chair:** Brian Leff apologized for the delay in getting the results posted. He stated that in the future the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> flights will have a greater dispersion to net prizes than gross prizes. Jack Byrne questioned why the confusion in the handicap calculation, specifically, why they were adjusted to 95% of HC after the tournament was finished? Brian explained that due to 3 flights by USGA rule, handicaps should be .95, so he changed the results to reflect that. Dave brought up the USGA rule that tournament handicaps should only be set at .95 if each flight is 35 or more players. The flights for the Spring Opener were not at that quantity and therefore the .95 reduction should not have been applied. Also, Jack mentioned that the rules of a tournament should not be changed after the tournament. Brian apologized for the errors and said he is on a learning curve being this his 1<sup>st</sup> year and 1<sup>st</sup> tournament. Aaron Zick requested an explanation why his KP on #16 for Blue Flight was revoked. He played from the White tees, but the KP on #16 was for Blue Flight, not Blue tees. Brian and Rich explained the mistake in this process was the KP should've stated Blue tees, and not Blue Flight. Brian changed the KP award to protect the field, and again apologized for the errors. Aaron mentioned that tournament rules cannot and should not be changed after the tournament. Brian is putting in the effort and time to serve SCMC as the Tournament Chair and assured the group that going forward this will not happen again.

**Treasurer and Sponsorship Committee:** Scott emailed an updated bank statement and budget to Board members prior to the meeting. He also inquired on the issue of garnering an insurance policy to cover SCMC, the Board, and Board members. Pat mentioned that when he registered SCMC as a non-profit entity, he selected the choice to indemnify the club. He will research what kind of coverage and amount of coverage is provided by the State in this clause. It was agreed upon that this will be a future agenda item.

Scott is also chairman of the Sponsorship Committee. He reported that he received two more sponsorships for the Masters Tournament and the Club Championship.

**Handicap Chair:** Dave reported there are 321 members signed up so far for 2024, and of those there are 52 new members. He'll be attending the OGA meeting coming up soon for the new system administration.

**V-P:** Pat reported on the new PDX Muni Cup league competition among mens clubs from Stone Creek, Heron Lakes, Rose City, Eastmoreland, and Red Tail.

**At-Large:** in response to Mike Rusch's request for smaller sand bottles to be made available at the course, it was agreed that SC will not provide this feature. A player could bring his own smaller sand bottle and fill it from the box at the cart barn.

**Secretary:** A reminder to the members: at the end of the 2024 season four Board member positions will be up for re-election: Vice-President, Secretary, At-Large and At-Large. Please consider stepping up to fulfill your participation.

**NEW BUSINESS:** omitted due to time restraint

**THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:00PM**

**THE NEXT SCHEDULED SCMC BOARD MEETING IS TUESDAY, APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup>  
AT 6:00PM AT JIMMY'S PIZZA PLACE**