

STONE CREEK MEN'S CLUB (SCMC) BOARD
MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2023

IN ATTENDANCE:

Eugene Zaharie	- President
Jack Byrne	- ex-President
Pat Walsh	- Vice-President
Tom Dorzweiler	- Secretary
Scott Carver	- Treasurer
Brian Leff	- Tournament Chairman
Jeremy Vogle	- ex-Tournament Chairman
Dave Sanders	- Handicap Chairman
Michael Rusch	- At-Large Member
Derrick Elkins	- At-Large Member
John Koptiuch	- ex-At-Large Member

GUESTS:

Rich Paden	- Golf Genius Board Advisor
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THE MEETING:

The meeting began at 6:05pm

3 pizzas (triple meat, salami/mushrooms, ½ Hawaiian-½ pepperoni/olives) were provided
The incoming President, Gene Zaharie, began the meeting with introductions of all the members present

The minutes from the October meeting were reviewed and approved

The Secretary, Tom Dorzweiler, passed on the duties of Meeting Facilitator to the President, who will preside over meetings, along with his other duties

The Secretary asked for approval that the Board Meeting Minutes be not only posted on the SCMC website, but also emailed to the members - approval was granted

THE REPORTS:

President: The ex-President, Jack Byrne, sincerely thanked the outgoing Board members for their service, and thanked the incoming members for volunteering.

Gene discussed the structure and process of the Board, Board meetings, and SCMC properties, as set forth in the SCMC By-Laws. It was agreed that the properties consist of the SCMC bank account, trophies, time clocks, and an old pc that is no longer used since the implementation of Golf Genius during the COVID pandemic.

Vice-President: Pat Walsh stated that he maintains the Club trophies, and that updates to these will be completed soon, which needs to be included in the budget.

Treasurer: Scott Carver emailed an updated bank statement and budget to the Board members prior to the meeting. He also informed us that SCMC will end the year with a carry-over amount of approximately \$2652. This surplus is due to a lower participation in the Major Tournaments than what was anticipated and budgeted for.

Tournament Chair: Jeremy Vogle said that he will meet with Brian Leff and transfer all the data he has regarding SCMC Tournaments, etc. to Brian, (*this is huge*). Also, Jeremy has submitted the 2024 Tournament schedule to Doug Suse, but as yet there has been no response.

Note: *Jeremy's work as the Tournament Chairman the last two years has been outstanding! Please personally thank him when you see him at the course...*

THE REPORTS, (cont.)

Tournament Chair: (cont.)

Jeremy related what some of his duties were:

- setup the Saturday and Holiday games
- set the rule of playing the ball down or not
- work with Course management in all phases of the Major Tournaments
- set up the Ringer and Match Play tournaments

discussion followed:

- Rich Paden said he has the schedule of Saturday games setup for the offseason (Dec-Feb) for 16 players, but if there is more interest it can be expanded
- Pat questioned if SCMC is done with running the off-season tournaments, e.g., the Tip Bowl, Gold Classic, etc. - Jeremy said yes, Stone Creek is in charge of those
- Gene stated that the Tournament Chairman has the authority / power to create tournaments and formats for those tournaments, to create a tournament committee, and ask for volunteers to serve from the membership - Rich said that volunteer involvement has drastically changed since the COVID pandemic and the implementation of Golf Genius technology
- Brian said he's planning on creating a Ryder Cup type tournament with Men's Club members from Heron Lakes - Pat said there is also interest to do this with the Eastmoreland and Persimmon Men's Clubs - Brian will send out an info sheet and questionnaire to all the SCMC members, but he would prefer using an online survey technology instead of email
- Gene inquired about what support does Clackamas County give to SCMC and to the operation of Stone Creek itself - the answer was; send the check (\$\$)

Handicap Chair: Dave Sanders said that 51 members have already sent in their application for 2024 - Dave attended the OGA Handicap Rules meeting recently and listed several upcoming changes as to how posted scores for 9 holes, 18 holes, partial rounds will be treated differently - Dave will be sending out an information sheet to all members
discussion followed:

- Tom asked when is a tournament score finalized in the Golf Genius system compared to the "old" way using signed score cards - Rich said basically when the players are done recording their scores, but it's a bit of a grey area - Brian said he'd like to re-implement using paper score cards to be signed by each player and given to the Pro Shop after the round has been completed - this was agreed to and will be the method going forward in 2024 - the paper scorecard will be verified against the Golf Genius posting

At-Large Members: no reports

OLD BUSINESS / UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Secretary created a list of items from 2023 Board meetings that were not resolved and requires finality - they are:

- 1) advertising for recruiting new membership, Pat's committee
 - a) Pat stated that membership numbers for 2023 were the same as for 2022, so do we need to recruit, and do we need more members?
 - b) Tournament participation was low
 - c) Rich suggested getting the 200-300 members not participating to play in the Majors, as opposed to recruiting more members, or invite Men's Club members from other courses to play
 - d) Scott pointed out that Stone Creek has a gigantic email list of players and that SCMC could utilize that list to advertise for new members, send invitations and get greater participation - he has inquired about it in the past several times but there is no response from Stone Creek management
 - e) Gene asked Jack if he would go with him to talk to the managers to get results and Jack agreed

OLD BUSINESS / UNFINISHED BUSINESS: (cont.)

- 2) implementing SCMC signage on the course - Dave's committee
 - a) Dave has submitted all the necessary information to Stone Creek management to get this done, but there has been no response from them
 - b) see 1) e) above
- 3) incorporate SCMC as a registered non-profit entity with the State of Oregon - Pat's committee
 - a) Pat stated that he did all the necessary research, investigation, and data collection required to move forward on this item, but it was not followed up on by the Board in subsequent meetings
 - b) it was unanimously agreed that this needs to get done
 - c) a motion was seconded, a vote was taken to approve accomplishing this goal
 - d) this will be an item on the agenda for the next meeting in January
- 4) implement an online credit card payment system for members to pay registration fees, tournament fees, game fees, green fees, etc.
 - a) this was discussed briefly, and it became quickly apparent that this item needs to be pursued after incorporation as a non-profit is completed
 - b) a motion was seconded and voted in favor of tableting this item into the future
- 5) the SCMC By-Laws need to be rewritten in two areas: update the wording for Major Tournament no-shows, and the format for the Wednesday game
 - a) this will be undertaken by the Secretary and submitted to the Board for approval
- 6) pursue sponsorships for the SCMC games and activities
 - a) a motion was seconded and voted to approve the formation of a sponsorship committee
 - b) Scott will be the chairman of this committee and will ask for volunteers to serve on it
 - c) Pat motioned that the Membership Committee be combined with the Publicity Committee to have one less committee, which will be more effective
 - d) the motion was seconded, and the vote approved this
 - e) the Secretary will amend the BY-Laws accordingly

NEW BUSINESS:

- ◆ Dave motioned to include all SCMC members in the prize give-away at the Year End Closer Tournament - this was seconded - discussion followed:
 - the reason for "must be present to win" is to get members to participate at the meeting in voting and/or discussions
 - a motion was seconded and voted in favor of tabling the previous motion for further consideration
- ◆ Pat will use the Masters Gnome (that he won in the bidding) as the new Masters Tournament trophy - the winners name will appear on the gnome
- ◆ Gene commented that the new wood enclosures around the portable toilets on the course are an excellent and welcome addition - kudos to Keith King and crew for getting these in place - please thank him when you see him at the course....
- ◆ Dave presented a list of eight Stone Creek personnel that are allowed to pay only the OGA fees for SCMC membership, and if anyone else should be added
 - it was unanimously agreed on that only the eight members on the list be included

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:30PM

THE NEXT SCHEDULED SCMC BOARD MEETING IS TUESDAY, JANUARY 30TH AT 6:00PM AT JIMMYO'S PIZZA

(as in the past, there will be no SCMC Board meeting scheduled in December)