

**COTTONWOOD PALO VERDE
GOLF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
May 7, 2015**

Members Present: Cindy Bosch, Joseph Ficek, Richard Hair, Dick Howell, Rita Benfer, Dean Hermanson, John Larsen, Jay Nelson and Susan Lamb

Members Absent: None

Board Liaison: Anne Montgomery

Staff Present: Bill Todd, Desmond Dakin, Greg Tokash

Visitors Present: Marsha Zandbergen, Bill Wright, Ron Sarnicki, Roger Beagle, Bob Neuer, Barry Mostovoy and Steve Nolan

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm. Motion to approve minutes from April 2nd meeting were made by Dick Howell and seconded by Rita Benfer.

Richard Hair introduced our new Board Liaison, Anne Montgomery to the Golf Committee

Comments from Visitors:

Marsha Zandbergen who is Chair for Safety, Security & Access was there to discuss the safety of people on the golf courses that are not playing golf while others are. This problem is especially for those living in unit 11 that take the shortcut to and from the Pro Shop, restaurant, bar, pool etc. After a lengthy discussion of possible solutions to this problem, the golf committee decided that maybe we needed to install portable rubber speed bumps and decorative boulders around the 16th green at Cottonwood. Joe Ficek made a motion for these speed bumps and boulders, Susan Lamb seconded and motion was carried. The committee also wanted homeowners to know that if you are on the golf course and are not playing golf, you are responsible for your safety, not the golfers who are scheduled to be out there. The golf committee also wanted to inform homeowners that after dark, no golf carts should be on the golf courses.

Roger Beagle, Chairman of Facilities & Grounds, wanted our golf committee to know what their committee had decided for the recommendations on the conceptual design for a practice facility for Cottonwood and the leveling of the teeing area for the Cottonwood driving range that were presented in March. He informed us that these 2 projects are very important, but their committee voted to table these projects until they meet in September. Roger also said that most major projects were done in the summer months, with one major project done per summer. He said that their committee wanted to get

the Palo Verde short game practice facility completed first.

Staff Reports:

Bill Todd reported that both golf courses are in transitions and looking great. He is still going to restrict certain holes to be cart path only for the summer months. The aerification schedules are out for both golf courses, starting with Pal Verde on May 26th through May 29th. Cottonwood is scheduled for June 15th through June 19th.

Joe Ficek asked Bill and Desmond if they would consider, for the summer months only, if they would start tee times on the back nine first. Desmond said that he and Bill will discuss this request.

Dick Howell asked Bill if he would consider redesigning the bunker on the 15th hole at Cottonwood. Bill said he will definitely consider this request as it is the hardest hole on the golf course. Joe Ficek made a motion to redesign the front half of the bunker on hole 15 at Cottonwood and Dick Howell seconded this motion.

Desmond Dakin reported for Cottonwood that the CMGA Home and Home with Oakwood went very well, the Ryder Cup between Palo Verde and Cottonwood was well attended and a Flag Tournament is scheduled for May 23rd. The CLGA Member-Guest was a great success like always. The 9ers Home and Home with Oakwood went well. The 9ers will be playing through May. Twilight Couples had started on Wednesday, May 5th at 4:30 with 60 players the first outing.

Desmond also informed us that the Assistant Pros competition that was held on Tuesday, May 5th, was won by Shaun.

Greg Tokash was not there due to illness.

Old Business:

There were no suggestion cards to review.

New Business:

Points on the Chelsea System - Desmond Dakin gave the committee a great explanation on how points are assigned to each player and play guidelines for groups ranging from 1 to 4 players. He also said that points are accumulated on a 7 day system with the points

separated for Cottonwood and Palo Verde. Desmond also informed us that if you do not get a tee time on shotgun days, they will send out a standby notice to those players.

Review Exceptions to Golf Calendar - Pending with Greg Takash

Update on these golf exceptions: The vote was done by e-mail and the exceptions were approved on Tuesday the 12th of May.

Comments from Committee Members:

Joe Ficek told Desmond that he had done a great job explaining this Chelsea System to the committee and appreciated all the time he spent on the phone getting the questions answered.

Rita Benfer asked Desmond why the slope and rating of Cottonwood was different from the AWGA website. Desmond informed us that someone will be coming out to Cottonwood in the next couple of months and they are going to do a new rate and slope for this golf course.

John Larsen thought we needed to look at our rates and again compare them with our surrounding golf courses.

Jay Nelson announced that this was his last meeting. He and his wife Nancy have decided to move to California this summer.

Board Liaison, Anne Montgomery informed the golf committee of projects that the Board of Directors had approved in the coming months.

The next meeting will be Thursday, September 3rd at 2 pm in the ceramics room.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Cindy Bosch