

**COTTONWOOD PALO VERDE  
GOLF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
October 6, 2016**

Members Present: Cindy Bosch, Richard Hair, Dick Howell, Rita Benfer, David Florence, Joe Ficek, Bert Paul

Members Absent: Ginger Mays, Tom Rainville

Board Liaison: Woody Neiman

Staff Present: Bill Todd, Desmond Dakin

Management: Steve Nolan

Visitors Present: Don Hicks, Nancy Hermanson, Kathy Skrei, Bobbi Forbes, Ralph Casale, Daniel Ellis

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm. Motion to approve minutes from the September 1st, meeting were made by Dick Howell and seconded by Dave Florence, motion carried.

Comments from visitors:

None

Staff Reports:

Bill Todd said that they have completed overseeding at Palo Verde.

Bill reported that the driving range at Cottonwood looks great and will reopen on October 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 A.M. He also said that he will have one of his staff members in charge of caring for this range every day.

Bill also told us that there will be no drinking water coolers on the driving range at Cottonwood.

Bill said they will be putting down small landscape rock along the fence lines on all the holes at Palo Verde this winter. He and his crew have started this project and you can see what it looks like on hole #3.

Joe Ficek asked Bill if holes 10 and 11 at Cottonwood would be cart path only, even after overseeding and Bill said yes all winter long they will be cart path only.

Desmond Dakin reported that the CMGA's for the month of October will have two rounds of Beat the Pro/Golf Association Presidents, one each at both courses.

Desmond said the Twilight Couples will be starting in November on Thursdays at 3:30 pm.

Desmond informed us that Palo Verde will reopen on October 24<sup>th</sup> with shotguns all week, one at 8:30 am and the second one starting at 1 pm. Cottonwood will reopen on Monday October 31<sup>st</sup> and shotguns for that one day only will be at 8:30 am and 1 pm.

Desmond mentioned that both pro shops will start selling annual memberships and all play cards on Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 9 am.

Desmond said that the CMGA has donated a \$1,000 to be used for benches and golf stands on the new driving range at Cottonwood.

Greg Tokash was absent so Desmond reported for Palo Verde. Rounds were up at Palo Verde and down slightly at Cottonwood from a year ago. Annuals and play cards were up from a year ago.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

##### Suggestion Cards:

Desmond received one comment card and he has responded to the issues of the pitching green by the driving range and the cart path between holes 10 and 11 on the Cottonwood golf course.

##### Committee Appreciation Dinner:

Richard Hair wanted to remind us that we needed to RSVP for the committee appreciation dinner that is being held on Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> of October between 4-6 pm and will take place in the San Tan Ballroom at Cottonwood.

##### Cottonwood Men's Gender Day:

No representative from the Cottonwood's men club was there to discuss this matter but Desmond did look at the 206-2017 calendar and said couldn't possibly be changed.

## New Business:

Richard Hair put the meeting in recess so we could interview the 5 applicants. The committee interviewed only 4 because the 5<sup>th</sup> applicant was a no show. The two people that were voted in were Kathy Skrei and Daniel Ellis.

## Comments from Board Liaison:

None

## Comments from Committee Members:

Joe Ficek asked the golf committee to look into maybe renumbering the holes at Cottonwood's golf course. He said that maybe hole 12 could become hole 1, hole 13 would be hole 2, and so forth. The main reasons for this suggestion was because of the low sun especially during the winter season when tee times start early and the other was for safety reasons.

Dick Howell thanked Richard Hair for his 4 years of being chair for the golf committee and said that he had accomplished many things to improve both golf courses.

The next meeting will be Thursday, November 3rd, at 2:00 pm in the ceramics room.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Cindy Bosch