

ERMGC Board of Directors Meeting
October 6, 2004 - 5:00pm
Empire Ranch Clubhouse

Attendance:

x	Greg Miles - President	x	Todd Keefe - Home Tournament Chair
x	Dave Terrill - Secretary	x	Tony Morabito – Handicap Chair
x	Bill McMorran - Treasurer	x	Barry Ward – Away Tournament Chair

Guests Present:

Steve Loverde (Empire Ranch)

Minutes

Motion was made by Director McMorran and seconded by Director Morabito to approve the minutes as read.

Handicap Chairman's Report

Director Morabito reported that he's been studying the handicap situation and discussing various solutions with Handicap Chairmen at other golf clubs and that he would make recommendations under New Business. Motion was made by Director Ward and seconded by Director Keefe to approve the report. Report approved.

Home Chairman's Report

Directors McMorran & Keefe both made reports. McMorran reported that the Club Championship ran smoothly and netted a loss of \$2,700 (this was magnified by the \$3,000 added to the prize fund from the treasury). Keefe reported that 79 players had signed up for Member/Guest and that he had negotiated a \$7 rate with Empire Ranch for hamburger, chips and a drink. Much discussion followed surrounding the format for the Member/Guest, since it appeared many members signing up as a Member/Member pairing, rather than bringing a guest, but that overall signups were slow. A motion was made by Director McMorran and seconded by Director Terrill to leave this year's format as-is, but to change the 2005 format to permit signups only by a Member & his guest. Motion approved. A motion was made by Director Morabito and seconded by Director Ward to approve the reports. Reports approved.

Away Chairman's Report

Director Ward reported that D'Andrea was a great tournament, despite the windy conditions, and that 32 players had signed up for La Contenta (11/23) with 5-6 more having expressed strong interest. Motion was made by Director Keefe and seconded by Director McMorran to approve the report. Report approved.

Treasurer's Report

Director McMorran reported that we had \$21,337.21 in our checking account as of 10/6/04. It was noted that membership application fees should begin arriving shortly and would cause this number to go up significantly. Motion was made by Director Ward and seconded by Director Keefe to approve the report. Report approved.

Old Business

Photos – It was decided that photos off all Directors would be taken on the morning of the Member/Guest (10/16), when we would be wearing our new shirts.

Shirts – Director McMorran presented the Directors with their 2004-5 uniform golf shirts.

Tournaments – The format and pricing for 2005 home tournaments were discussed briefly with Steve Loverde, but no decisions were made.

Directors' Bench – Director Terrill reviewed the possibilities for a Past Directors' Bench to be placed at the tee box on #18. It will be made of a material called "Ironwood" and would contain small plaques noting each Past Director and their years of service. The initial estimate for the bench itself was approximately \$600. Authorization was given by voice vote for Director Terrill to handle installation of the bench.

New Business

New Tournament Handicap – Director Morabito presented the following proposal, which was enthusiastically approved (wording altered on 10/12/04 by email poll):

"Beginning with the 10/16/04 Member/Guest Tournament, members will play to the lower of either their standard GHIN index or the average of their two lowest home tournament scores recorded over the preceding 12 months."

Posting of Scores – Director Morabito presented the following proposal, based on NCGA guidelines, which was also enthusiastically approved (wording altered on 10/12/04 by email poll):

"If there is an indication or suggestion that a member has failed to post a score, the Handicap Chairman will contact the member, and at his sole discretion, give the member 24 hours to post. Should the member, for whatever reason, fail to comply, the Handicap Chairman will post a score for him equal to the lowest differential he has posted on the most recent player report."

Renewal Process – The Membership renewal process was discussed and it was determined that the handling of applications would proceed as in the past: the Handicap Chairman would pick-up and open all applications, process the information, and pass the applications and monies on to the Treasurer, who would then deposit the funds and keep track of the amounts on a member-by-member basis. The two will act as a check and balance on each other.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Director Ward and seconded by Director Terrill to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned.