

## GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

REGULAR MEETING  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2014, AT 9:00 A.M.

A regular meeting of the Golf Advisory Committee (GAC) was convened by the Chairman, John McDonnell, at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 7, 2014, in the Board Room at Gateway Complex.

Present, in addition to the Chairman, were Donald A. Terry, Vice Chairman, Michael J. Devlin, Mary Hufford, Fran McDonnell, Stephen D. Roath, and Susan Williamson. Also attending were Mary Lou Delpech, Director, GRF; Warren T. Salmons, CEO; Mark K. Heptig, Director of Golf; Blake Swint, Golf Course Superintendent; and William L. Herrick, Chief Marshal. Attendance

The report of the Committee's regular meeting held on October 3, 2014, was approved as written. Report Approved

The Chairman reported that Mr. Roath's and Mrs. McDonnell's terms on the GAC are up in December. Mr. Roath will be the recommended candidate from the RMGC for reappointment to a two-year term. The new Captain for the Niners will be Patricia L. Baker who will notify the GAC of the Club's recommended candidate for a two-year term. Chairman's Report

Ms. Hufford, Women's 18-Hole Club representative, reported the following: 1) the Club's membership is at 124; and 2) the Club is winding down its season and will be having its annual end-of-season celebrations. Club Reports

Mrs. McDonnell, Women's 9-Hole Club Captain, reported the following: 1) the Club's membership is at 164; and 2) the Club is also winding down its season and will be electing new officers for 2015.

Mr. Roath, President of the Rossmoor Men's Golf Club, reported the following: 1) the Club's membership is at a healthy 402 members; 2) the Club is in its renewal period, so the membership number will fluctuate as members realize they have forgotten to renew; 3) the season was exceptionally busy this past year; 4) the election of new officers will be held on Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, during the Club's annual meeting; and 5) the "All Clubs" Holiday Dinner and Dance will be held in December. All Club members and their guests are welcome. The RMGC subsidizes the cost of dinner and music for members of the RMGC as a benefit of membership in the Club, and invites the other clubs to participate in the spirit of the holidays.

Ms. Williamson, representing the Happy Hackers Golf Club, reported the following: 1) the Club wound up its year last night with its annual meeting and dinner – 98 people attended; 2) the Club ended the 2014 year with 230 members, 69 of which were new this year. So far, 99 golfers have renewed their membership for 2015; 3) the Club's officers for 2015 are: Mary Lou Delpech, President, James R. Bombardier, Vice President, Nancy G. Moschel, Secretary, and Paul Rosenzweig, Treasurer; and 4) the 2015 event schedule, the Hackers Scramble format, and rules are posted on the

website.

Mr. Terry, representing the Hosting Program Subcommittee, reported the following: 1) a meeting with realtors is currently in the works; 2) there were two hostings last month; and 3) all is well with the program.

Golf  
Hosting  
Program

In Mr. Heptig's absence, Mr. Swint presented the Golf Management Report, which is attached and which reflected favorably on all aspects of the golf operation. He reviewed the current work being done on the golf course and noted the great working relationship Mr. Heptig and the Pro Shop staff have in providing services to the membership.

Staff  
Reports

Mr. Swint then presented the Superintendent's Report, which is attached. He reported that he continues to be frugal with resources and uses recycled materials where possible. He then noted that the golf operation survived the last two years of drought conditions and will be prepared if the drought continues. Continuing, he reported that the crew has been fighting black slimy algae that attacked some of the greens. It is currently under control and measures are being taken to restore the greens to health. Mr. Swint also reported that there is continuing work being done with drains, bunkers, soil preparation, weed control, and a myriad of other needs to maintain the health and appearance of the courses.

There was then discussion of the ongoing geese problem. Mr. Swint laid out some strategies. He said that he was also working on a method to recapture the water that is used to wash down the cart path by the pond, which has tons of goose droppings that need to be washed off daily. This water tends to sit on the course and not get back to the pond due to the landscape. Mr. Swint is working on a drain system to recapture the water and move it back into the lake.

Geese  
Problem  
Discussed

Ms. Delpech, standing in for Barbara S. Jordan, ex-officio GAC member and GRF Board representative, reported that the GRF Board approved the golf budget proposals, including the fee waiver for tournaments. There was a question regarding the number of 18er's tournaments with fee waivers. It was noted that the charity tournament was one that is shared by all the Clubs.

GRF Board  
Report

Mr. Herrick, Chief Marshal, reported that all of the Marshal positions are currently filled, there are no problems with the Marshals, and there are no significant golf course incidents to report.

Chief  
Marshal's  
Report

The GAC discussed the long-range plan priorities for the golf courses and began the process of reviewing the Long-Range Plan. A handout, prepared by Mr. Heptig, was distributed to the Committee to review in preparation for discussion at its December meeting.

Long-Range  
Plan Review

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment

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The next regular meeting of the Committee will be held on Friday, December 5, 2014,  
at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at Gateway Complex.

Next Mtg.  
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John McDonnell, Chairman  
Golf Advisory Committee

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