

GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

REGULAR MEETING
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2016, 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, October 14, 2016, in the Board Room at Gateway Complex.

Present, in addition to the Chairman, were Donald A. Terry, Vice Chairman, Lydia F. Bolinger, William L. Herrick, Mary Hufford, Robert L. Montgomery, Susan Williamson, and Mary Lou Delpech, ex-officio member and GRF Board representative. Also attending were Leslie Birdsall, President, and Stephen D. Roath, Director, GRF; Mark K. Heptig, Director of Golf; Blake Swint, Golf Course Superintendent; and Dickey Nitta, Chief Marshal. Attendance

The report of the Committee's regular meeting held on September 9, 2016, was approved with the following correction: the first sentence of page 2 was deleted, which referred to Ms. Williamson representing the Happy Hackers and giving the Club's report. Report Approved as Corrected

The Chairman reported that Mr. Heptig had sent a very informative update on the golf course to all of the Golf Club members who have email. The email was read to the GAC for the benefit of those who had not yet read their emails. Chairman's Report

Ms. Delpech reported that work will soon begin on the Fitness Center and that it will likely put pressure on room reservations in the next year, since groups that normally meet at the Fitness Center will have to find rooms elsewhere. GRF Board Report

Ms. Hufford, representing the Women's 18-Hole Club, reported that the Club currently has 125 members and that the Club's season is winding down. Club Reports

Mrs. Bolinger, representing the Women's 9-Hole Club, reported the following: 1) the Club held its last general meeting of 2016 and elected the following 2017 slate of officers: Penny L. Ittner, Captain, Jean Moulaison, Co-Captain, Judith A. Southcott, Secretary, and Joyce D. Niebur, Treasurer; and 2) the Club's Halloween Tournament will be held on October 27th along with a hat contest and luncheon at the Event Center.

Mr. Montgomery, representing the Rossmoor Men's Golf Club, reported the following: 1) there are eight positions open on the Club's Board; 2) elections for the open Board positions will take place at the Club's annual meeting in November; 3) the Bay Area Seniors Association (BASA) had its annual meeting and modified guidelines for tournament participation. BASA is an association of country clubs whose senior members participate in Home and Home Tournaments. During the year, Rossmoor will host between 350 and 400 senior men from other clubs, which has the benefit of exposing those senior men to the benefits of living in Rossmoor. The men generally share how Rossmoor works, property valuation, and amenities. A luncheon follows the 11 Home and Home Tournament days. GAC members were reminded to know and understand the benefits of the tournaments; and 4) the Clubs were reminded the directory deadline is November 30th for those who want to be included in the directory.

Ms. Williamson, representing the Happy Hackers Club, reported the following: 1) the Club's final tournament for the year will be held on October 14th, followed by a dinner; and 2) the membership continues to flourish with an additional 48 members signing up for next year.

Mr. Terry, reporting on the Golf Hosting Program, said that activity and interest in the program is picking up again. There were four groups of interested potential buyers who were hosted for a round of golf in the last two weeks. Berkshire Hathaway Home Services has asked the Committee to consider increasing the Committee's presentations to six times a year at the realtor's office.

Golf Hosting
Program

Mr. Heptig and Mr. Swint presented their reports, which are attached. Except for the rained out months of January and February, golf has had a very busy and financially good year. The weather is a factor that will affect revenues and over which there is no control. Getting and keeping the course in playable condition helps to mitigate bad weather and gets players back on the course paying green fees.

Staff
Reports

There was then discussion about the current condition of the course and plans for the next year. Mr. Swint reminded the Committee that he always has a 50-year plan in mind with the goal of preserving the golf course while maintaining playability.

Dickey Nitta, Chief Marshal, reported there may be an opening for a new Marshal in January. He will keep the Committee up to date on this matter.

Chief
Marshal's
Report

The Committee took up the unfinished business of reviewing the golf course rules, Rule R103.0, Golf Courses.

Rule
R103.0

After review and discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Herrick and seconded by Mr. Terry to recommend to the Golden Rain Foundation Board that it adopt the proposed changes to Rule R103.0, Golf Courses. The vote on the motion was taken, and the motion CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Recom-
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re. Rule
R103.0

Mr. Heptig will prepare the proposed changes for presentation to the GRF's Policy Committee for consideration at its next meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Adjourn-
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The next regular meeting of the Committee will be held on Friday, November 4, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at Gateway Complex.

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John McDonnell, Chairman
Golf Advisory Committee