## GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

## REGULAR MEETING FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 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, November 4, 2016, in the Board Room at Gateway Complex.

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

The report of the Committee's regular meeting held on October 14, 2016, was Report approved as written.

Approved

The Chairman reported that the Chicago Cubs won the World Series. Go Cubs Go!

Chairman's Report/

Ms. Delpech reported that the Rossmoor Golf Clubs' schedule of events for 2017 was GRF Board approved by the GRF Board at its October 27<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Report

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

Reports

Mrs. Bolinger, representing the Women's 9-Hole Club, reported the following: 1) the Niners held its last general meeting of 2016 and elected the 2017 slate of officers. The officers are: Captain, Penny L. Ittner, Co-Captain, Jean Moulaison, Secretary, Judith A. Southcott, and Treasurer, Joyce D. Niebur. The new officers will be installed at the Club's December 15<sup>th</sup> meeting/party; 2) the Club's Halloween Tournament will be held on October 27th along with a hat contest and luncheon at the Event Center; 3) the incoming Captain has sent out a survey to members for comments and suggestions; and 4) membership dues for 2017 are being collected and events planned.

In Mr. Montgomery's absence, Mr. Nitta gave the report for the Rossmoor Men's Golf Club and reported the following: 1) the annual meeting is November 14<sup>th</sup> when the new board will be introduced. Messrs. O'Keefe and Heptig will be the featured speakers; 2) the deadline for the Club's directory is November 30<sup>th</sup>; 3) the All Clubs Holiday Party sponsored by the RMGC will be held on December 10<sup>th</sup> at the Event Center starting at 5:30 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by Party of Two and sign-up information is at the Pro Shop; and 4) the Club will have a Twilight Tournament in September 2017 after all, as a date became available on the event schedule.

Mr. Nitta then gave a preliminary report for Michael Weisenberg, who will be on next year's RMGC Board, regarding a project to encourage players and members to take care of the course during play. The Educational Project is in the beginning stages and will be headed by Mr. Weisenberg. He will be looking for the Clubs to designate a contact person to coordinate the program with him. More information about the new program will be provided at the GAC's next meeting.

Ms. Williamson, representing the Happy Hackers, reported the following: 1) the membership continues to flourish; and 2) 70 members have already signed up for next year. Most of the sign-ups happen in the spring, but early sign-ups get their names in the Club's directory.

Mr. Terry, reporting on the Golf Hosting Program, reported that a presentation was Golf Hosting made to Berkshire Hathaway Home Services who would like to see additional Program presentations made throughout the year.

Mr. Heptig and Mr. Swint presented their reports, which are attached. The financials Staff were not available since the meeting was moved to the first Friday of November due to Reports the Veterans Day holiday (which is a GRF holiday).

Mr. Swint reported that he and his crew, which is one short, continue a very busy schedule of Fall/Winter preparation for the courses. Trees will be planted, the nursery will be completed, bunkers scheduled for maintenance will be refreshed and drainage repaired. He said that sand is recycled and used depending on quality and age for either the bunkers or top dressing for tee and fairway areas. The large over-seeding to repair damage from the drought has been successful and the weather helped. Mr. Swint also reported that damage from critters going after grubs and aggressive weed/fungus control was part of the work.

Dickey Nitta, Chief Marshal, reported that he and Mr. Heptig are interviewing Chief candidates for the Marshal opening.

Marshal's Report/ Rule R103.0

Mr. Heptig reported that the GRF Policy Committee reviewed the GAC's suggested changes to Rule R103.0, Golf Courses. After some minor tweaks, which he reviewed with the GAC, he reported that the Policy Committee will likely recommend the proposed revised rules to the GRF Board.

The Chairman introduced the idea that a discussion of rules enforcement and clarification on how that would be done needs to be addressed. The idea of incorporating Securitas as part of the protection of the course when it is closed or after hours, and combining that with response to medical emergencies on the golf course, will be included in the discussion. The Committee agreed to take up the issue at the next meeting.

Rules **Enforcement** Discussion Deferred to Next Meeting

The Chairman announced that there will not be a GAC meeting in December and that Next Mtg. the next regular meeting of the Committee will be held on Friday, January 13, 2017, at 1/13/17 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at Gateway Complex.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was Adjourn-adjourned at 10:00 a.m. Adjourn-ment

John McDonnell, Chairman Golf Advisory Committee

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