

## GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

REGULAR MEETING  
FRIDAY, MAY 13, 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, May 13, 2016, in the Board Room at Gateway Complex.

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

Attendance

The report of the Committee's regular meeting held on April 8, 2016, was approved as written.

Report  
Approved

The Chairman gave his report, which is attached.

Chairman's  
Report/

During the Residents' Forum, four residents presented their concerns to the Committee and spoke against the use of mulch in front of their manors.

Residents'  
Forum

Ms. Delpech reported on the election of two new Board members and the following topics currently being discussed by the Board: traffic, solar, and the Fitness Center renovation. Also noted was the development of a policy to register golf carts which has been recommended to the Board by the GRF Policy Committee. Ms. Delpech explained that the purpose of registration is to be able to identify owners of golf carts.

GRF Board  
Report

In Ms. Hufford's absence, Margo M. Dutton gave the report for the Women's 18-Hole Club. She reported that the broken tee box project is nearing completion and that the volunteer effort will make the current small box containers at each tee more presentable. The boxes are designed to contain discarded, broken tees.

Club  
Reports

Mrs. Bolinger, representing the Women's 9-Hole Club, reported the following: 1) the Club currently has 156 members; 2) the team travelled to Marin Country Club for a match with other clubs. The team scores were within one point of each other and the team from Rossmoor placed 4<sup>th</sup> out of 5; and 3) the Match Play Tournament will take place in June.

Mr. Nitta, President of the Rossmoor Men's Golf Club, reported the following: 1) the new website, Rossmoorgolf.com, will be active on Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup>; 2) the Club sponsored a lunch for the grounds crew and Pro Shop staff on Cinco de Mayo in appreciation for their ongoing care of the golf course; 3) Stephen D. Roath has resigned from the GAC since he was elected to the GRF Board. The Club is recommending Robert L. Montgomery fill the unexpired portion of Mr. Roath's term on the GAC as a representative of the RMGC; 4) RMGC tournaments have experienced

good turnouts with 160 players participating in the Twilight Tournament and 104 players in the Club's first Home and Home Tournament. Round Hill Country Club and Mira Vista Country Club were the two guest clubs for the Home and Home Tournament; and 5) the RMGC would like Mr. Heptig to give a presentation on the turf reduction program.

Ms. Williamson, representing the Happy Hackers Club, reported the following: 1) the Club currently has 188 members; 2) a big double scramble tournament is scheduled for Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>; and 3) the Club is currently looked for an opportunity to have etiquette and policy awareness training for new members, which would be open to all Clubs. She reported that Mr. Heptig has agreed to work on this.

Mr. Terry, reporting on the Golf Hosting Program, said that he is currently working with Rossmoor Realty and has updated the report from the actual hosting accommodation for those who had signed up for the offer to play the courses, which was extended last year at a trade gathering in Livermore. He also reported that the original numbers from the trade gathering were daunting, but the actual number of possible participants was manageable.

Mr. Heptig presented the financial report and the Golf Management report, which are attached. He then reported the following: 1) the overall numbers were down from the previous year mainly due to the inclement weather earlier this year; 2) the number of rounds played and financials have rebounded, and the tournament schedule for all Clubs and outside events is in full swing; and 3) the change in EBMUD water restrictions was noted and is discussed further in the Superintendent's report to follow.

Staff  
Reports

Mr. Swint presented the Golf Course Superintendent's report, which is attached. He expanded on the water situation, current work on the courses, general conditions, and noted that his crew is short two people. He also noted that he and his crew are keeping very busy.

Mr. Nitta reported that he has a full crew and that there have been no major incidents.

Chief  
Marshal's  
Report/  
Water  
Usage and  
Mitigation  
Effort

The Committee continued its discussion from last month on the implications of EBMUD's easing water restrictions. The announcement by EBMUD came the day before the GAC meeting, so there is still work to be done to incorporate the new information into the ongoing water conservation effort, as water usage still requires substantial reductions. Even though water may be more available now, the cost will continue to rise and availability will always be at risk. Presentation material is being developed to help everyone understand the current situation and to help guide the discussion as the long-range effort to reduce water consumption continues.

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, June 10, 2016, at Next Mtg.  
9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at Gateway Complex. 6/10/16

  
John McDonnell, Chairman  
Golf Advisory Committee

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