A regular meeting of the Golf Advisory Committee (GAC) was convened by the Chairman, John McConnell, at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, July 13, 2018, in the Board Room at Gateway Complex.

Present, in addition to the Chairman, were William L. Herrick, Vice Chairman, Mary Jane Hargrove, Mary Hufford, Michael D. Wener, Susan Williamson, Michael Weisenberg and Stephen D. Roath, ex-officio member and GRF Board representative. Also attending were Kenneth Anderson, Director, GRF; Mark K. Heptig, Director of Golf; Blake Swint, Golf Course Superintendent; Dickey Nitta, Chief Golf Course Marshal; and Paul Rosenzweig reporting for Susan Williamson.

The report of the Committee’s regular meeting held on June 8, 2018, was approved as written.

The Chairman reviewed the agenda for the meeting.

There was no correspondence.

No residents spoke at the Residents’ Forum.

On a motion made, seconded, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, William L. Herrick was elected Vice Chairman of the GAC.

Ms. Hufford, representing the Women’s 18-Hole Club, reported that the Club currently has 120 members. The 18ers voted yesterday on whether to delete the article in its by-laws that prohibit a woman from being a member in both a 18 and 9 hole women’s golf group. A 2/3 vote was required to make the change. The change did not pass.

Ms. Hargrove, representing the Women’s 9-Hole Club, reported the following: the Club currently has 155 members. The June 28, 2018, Jamboree sponsored by Berkshire Hathaway Home Services was a success with 106 golfers on the Dollar Ranch course. Three Niners were paired with one First Tee girl for each of the 9 holes for golf and then lunch on July 12. At the July 18, general meeting, a vote will be held on the proposed amendment to the Niner by-laws allowing Niners to belong to an 18-hole Club. The annual Tournament of Champions will start on August 2. The 3-day tournament will determine its 2018 Club champion.

Dr. Weisenberg, representing the Rossmoor Men’s Golf Club (RMGC), reported the following: the RMGC gained two new members, for a total of 358. Its "Meet and Greet" for new members and the BBQ for all RMGC members have been combined. It will be held on August 4 at 1 P.M. The emergency protocol stickers are being distributed by the Golf Pro Shop. The Club appreciates the cooperation of Securitas in getting the information out so quickly.
There has been an e-mail scam going around using Fred Sun’s e-mail address requesting a check be sent. Please be aware of this. The Club website has been hacked and was fixed quickly, but at a significant expense. So be careful about opening new sites or being diverted to sites that are not of your intent. The Club discussed the "M" handicap status. This is a status that can be requested by a golfer with a sudden temporary disability. How much can the handicap be raised in this situation and for how long should it be in effect for the individual? The Club has also started posting all its Home and Home events as "T" scores. A discussion of getting more members to participate in its events continued. An effort will be made to reach out and publicize that the Club events are for all golfers of any handicap and hope to encourage their participation. Also, new members will be encouraged to meet and play with a Board member to help with their introduction to events and how the Club operates. The Hawaiian Night dinner dance will now be a joint event with all the Golf Clubs (Happy Hackers have not yet responded). Previously, it was an RMGC event and all the other Clubs were invited. This year it will be a joint responsibility of all the Golf Clubs. This Hawaiian night will trade dates next year with the Men’s Invitational. The invitational will be held on a Saturday in September. Arrangements have been made with Mark Heptig, but sponsors and other issues still have to be addressed. An issue of emergency and timely expenditures was brought to the Club’s attention. There have been certain necessary and some optional expenses that have been incurred. The Club dealt with these by voting to approve them and pay for them retroactively as they are integral to the activities of its organization.

Mr. Rosenzweig, representing the Happy Hackers, reported the following: the Club currently has 175 members, which is one less as of last year at this time. The Club just held a Clinic, where 17 golfers participated. The next Hackers event is the Scramble and dinner on July 21. Hacker charity drive for Meals on Wheels continues at every Hacker dinner, as it has for >10 years. Last year, the Happy Hackers collected and turned over $1,600; this year’s collections so far this year are $100 ahead of last year.

Mr. Heptig presented the financial reports, which are attached. The financials continue to show it is a good year.

Mr. Swint’s Golf Course Superintendent’s report is attached. He noted that the shortage of a trained staff person is putting stress on the maintenance schedule. An active search for a trained replacement is ongoing.

During Unfinished Business, The Committee continued discussion on the proposed Golf Course Marshal Committee Charter.
There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

The next regular meeting of the Committee will be held on Friday, August 10, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room at Gateway Complex.

John McDonnell, Chairman
Golf Advisory Committee

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