

Maryland Interclub Seniors Golf Association

MISGA Annual Meeting Minutes Prospect Bay - April 6, 1998

President **George Shenk** called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. as scheduled and thanked **Duke Rowdon** and his committee for the excellent meeting arrangements at *Prospect Bay*.

Past presidents introduced were C. J. Myers, George Meyer, Otis Jefferson, Doug Moats, Merle Shumaker, and Sam Hastings.

Board members introduced were Vice President Paul Desmond, Secretary Dick Walsh, Treasurer Harry Breitbach, and Directors Ray Kroeger and Ray Bryan (Div 1), Tom Tarpley and Charlie Fieldhouse (Div 2), George Shenk and Jim Bell (Div 3), C. J. Myers and Bob McMinn (Div 4), and Paul Desmond and Jack Nichols (Div 5).

Ken Willey's motion to dispense with reading of the previous minutes passed without objection.

Treasurer's report (attached) was given by Harry Breitbach.

President **George Shenk** covered the following points:

New dues amount will be \$5 per member starting in 1999.

Contacts at the various *Golf Magazines* are solicited.

Reps are reminded to maintain their *Club Annual Report forms*.

The *next board meeting* will be June 3rd at Crofton.

The State of MISGA:

A committee of Directors will be formed to study standards that should be required of *applicant clubs* and should be continuing requirements for *existing member clubs*.

The Directors will be asked to study the *role of the Board President* with the possible objective of separating that position from that of Division Director - creating an eleventh or tie-breaking vote.

The board will also be asked to review the *Division matrix*, looking at realignment concepts.

Committee Reports

Associates: **John Dickey** presented the attached talking points.

Audit: President **George Shenk** reported that chairman **Sam Nisbet** had indicated the audit report (attached) was reviewed without objection by Treasurer **Harry Breitbach**.

Policy and Planning: **Warren Dean** acknowledged the committee work on the revised Constitution and Bylaws, especially noting the work of **Bob Ludwig** (legal) and **C. J. Myers** (publication and distribution).

Tournaments: **George Lipscomb** will release quotas by the end of April and distribute instructions by the end of May.

Trips: **Sam Hastings** described the three **Fall Frolics**; Sea Trail (last week in October), Sunset Beach (in November), and Seabrook (2nd week in November). The **Spring Fling** is scheduled for May 11th and 12th and has 124 of the desired 200 applications to date. The **August Ireland trip** is on, though not yet well subscribed. The **Fall Bash** will be September 30th and October 1st at Carroll Valley.

MISGAgram: **Dick Hunt** reported the cutoff date schedules of 2/1, 5/1, 8/1, and 11/1 for input to publication. He solicited information such as holes in one, etc, encouraged photographs, and asked for constructive suggestions for improvement.

Counsel: **Bob Ludwig** was not present.

Historian: **Duke Rowdon** indicated that by June 1 he will complete a publication named "*Policies and Directives of the Board*". The work will be taken from Board meeting minutes since 1980. He also reminded club reps that it is their responsibility to maintain club history such as the sequence of reps, etc.

Division Reports consisted of salutations and reminders to attend this year's events.

Old Business

Awards were presented to past board members: Director **Tim Harris**, Associates Chairman **Roy Gauzza**, Legal Counsel **Joe Malinowski**, Director **Frank Page**, Policy and Planning Chairman **Ted Branthover**, Director **John Rooney**, Mailing Chairman **David Stevenson**, MISGAgram Chairman **Merle Shumaker**, Secretary **Bill Ahlfeld**, and President C. J. **Myers**.

Tournament tee selection will be determined by tournament chairmen in consultation with host pros and host MISGA reps.

The long range planning committee has decided *the minimum MISGA age should remain at 55* for several reasons, key among which was the fact that the USGA criterion for senior amateur championships is 55 years.

New Business

The revised *Constitution and Bylaws*, presented by planning chairman **Warren Dean**, were unanimously approved upon the motion of **Paul Desmond** to that end.

Bear Creek has been admitted to membership. Its Rep and Assistant are **Henry Payne** and **Charles Richardson** respectively. Although they won't be in the matrix until 1999, clubs are encouraged to *schedule mixers with Bear Creek* this year as practicable.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 A.M.

Following the meeting, President **George Shenk** requested that the enclosed *schedule of events* be distributed along with a transcription of his note concerning *diminishing turnout at* mixers.

Respectfully submitted,

Dick Walsh Secretary