

Maryland Interclub Seniors Golf Association

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

April 4, 1989

Prospect Bay Country Club

Attending:

Bill Hulihan, Pres.
John Turner, Vice Pres.
Bud Marshall, Sect.
Merle Shumaker
W. Marks Jaillite
Douglas Moats
Bill Woolston
Ralph Laycock
Claude Widerman

Bill Ransdell
Charles Szymanski
Ray Keany
Don Falconer
Jos. Malinowski
Duke Rowdon
Bud Clevenger
Ken Pierson
Abs. Sid Rapoport, Treas.

President Hulihan called the meeting to order at 9.39 A.M.

The president called for and received a unanimous vote that the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting be waived and that they be accepted as written and submitted.

Bill Hulihan reported that he had received a warm letter of thanks from the family of Harry Bryan, expressing appreciation to MISGA for their sympathy.

Bill also announced that Ken Pierson has accepted the position of editor of MISGAGRAM, replacing Harry Bryan.

Committee Reports

A. Associates

Roy Gauzza, chairman, was unable to attend the meeting, but asked that Bill Hulihan remind the board members and division directors that all monies collected for Associates and Club dues should be sent to him along with membership change sheets. He will verify the amounts for accuracy and forward the funds to Sid Rapoport.

B. Tournaments

Doug Moats reported on a change in location for the MISGA two-man championship to be held on Monday September 11, 1989. The event will be at Piney Branch C.C. instead of Holly Hills C.C. as previously reported. The cost will be \$80 per qualifying team. The cost breakdown on a per person basis for each qualifying team member is as follows:

Food \$21.00 Cart 10.00 Prizes 7.00 Administration $\frac{2.00}{40.00}$

Doug further reported that notification on qualifying rules and regulations will be sent to the divisions.

C. Mailing

Ralph Laycock reported no problems with respect to MISGA mailings. He did suggest that postage costs could be reduced by \$.02 per piece on the basis of 5,000 or more pieces per mailing. It was agreed, however, that MISGA would not have mailings in an amount that would qualify for the reduced rate.

D. Policy and Planning

1. Insurance Coverage

Don Falconer reported that on review of the Liability Insurance coverage required for MISGA, the committee determined that the current policy is about the best we can get for our organization. However, it was suggested that we may be able to shop for and get better rates for coverage than we are now paying.

Bill Hulihan agreed to contact our present insurance agent and ask that he investigate other carriers to determine whether more reasonable rates can be obtained.

2. Code of Conduct

Don Falconer distributed to all members present copies of a Code of Conduct developed by the committee to apply to all MISGA activities. The Code defines the standards of personal conduct and responsibilities applying to all MISGA associates, officers, and board members acting as individuals or as agents of MISGA. Included in the Code is a section on Sanctions and Penalties for misconduct or infractions of the Code and a provision for the rights to appeal decisions regarding alleged offenses by a MISGA associate or associates.

Don reported that it will be necessary to add to the Code a provision requiring documented evidence to substantiate charges of infractions against an associate or associates.

He further suggested that the Code of Conduct be added as Article IX of the MISGA by-laws.

Bill Hulihan recommended that there also should be a provision that any letters or correspondence by an associate acting as an agent of MISGA regarding responsibilities, personal conduct, infractions, or sanctions and penalties included in the Code should be approved, in advance, by the board or general counsel.

To conform to the requirements of the Constitution and By-laws it was moved by Marks Jaillite, and seconded by Merle Shumaker, that adoption of the Code of Conduct be tabled for study by the board and voted on at a special meeting of the board called for not less than thirty (30) days from this present date (April 4, 1989). The motion was approved unanimously.

Events Reports

A. Foxfire

Doug Moats reported that Foxfire has filed for bankruptcy and that the 1989 event at this location is questionable.

Doug further stated that he is still working on collecting for over-charges made by Foxfire in connection with the 1988 MISGA event. In this connection, he advised that the U. S. Bankruptcy Court for North Carolina nas sent forms for filing claims against Foxfire.

Claude Widerman has received inquiries from the Sea Trails Plantation Resort near Calabash, N. C. and will investigate the possibilities of having a MISGA event there in the event that Foxfire is not available.

Claude also reported that Ray Keany has been approached by the City Clubs of America, owners of the Pinehurst resort, who are interested in MISGA's returning there for their North Carolina event. Claude and Ray have arranged to meet with the Pinehurst representative to work on terms of a contract in this connection.

B. Jekyll Island Junket

Marks Jaillite reported that the 1988 Junket resulted in a return of \$1,224.94 from the package amounts collected from participants. These monies are being held in the Jekyll Island Junket account for future events. Marks further reported that a contract has been signed for the 1989 Junket and indicated that there would be a slight increase in costs over the prior year.

Bill Hulihan reported that the Millionaires Club at Jekyll Island is also offering a package to MISGA at a cost of about \$800.00 per golfing couple. He suggested that there may be some interest in this among MISGA associates who may wish to go " First Class ".

C. Florida Fling

John Turner reported that the Fling at Fort Myers was a success with the exception of some bad weather in each of the weeks. As a result of this an average of about \$40.00 per couple will be refunded to offset those days that were unplayable. He also stated that full refunds would be made to two couples who had to leave before the event or were unable to attend because of last minute problems.

Bill Hulihan reported that he had investigated and had a proposal to hold a MISGA event at the Cape Coral Golf and Tennis Resort in Fort Myers. However, they could accommodate us only for one week beginning February 5, 1990. Rates would be \$460.00 per person-double, or \$376.00 per person-double with one non-golfer. This would include lodging, two meals a day, golf, and all other club amenities available. He will follow up on this with John Turner.

D. Board Bash

Bill Woolston reported that he has contracted to hold the Board Bash at Carroll Valley on September 27 and 28, 1989. Cost this year will be \$123.00 per person compared to \$112.00 per person last year. Bill also advised that this is not a package rate but one wherein you pay only for what is utilized.

Bill further reported that he and Fred Shaffer had investigated Bedford Springs Hotel and C.C. Costs would be \$226 per couple; \$198 per couple-one non golfer; and \$113 single. He suggested we may consider this for next year.

E. Spring Fling

John Turner reported that 50 mailing labels came off and were lost on the applications mailing. He further stated that 85 applications had been returned because of incorrect address or lack of forwarding address. These will be provided to the respective club reps for updating and corrections.

John reported that the Spring Fling is over subscribed at this time. However, he felt that experience has shown that most, if not all, of those on the waiting list will be accommodated by cancellations.

Old Business

- A. Doug Moats questioned why the problem where a Division IV club (Manor) failed to schedule a Division III club (Leisure World) in accordance with the inter-division mixer schedule had not yet been resolved. Claude Widerman was asked to resolve the problem and assure that regrets would be expressed to the Leisure World club rep along with a promise that such a case would not happen again. It was further decided to place the matter of inter-divisional mixers and related schedule and by-laws requirements on the club reps meeting agenda for discussion.
- B. The above problem generated further discussion about the by-laws requirements for inter and intra-divisional mixer scheduling, and the need for revisions of the by-laws to avoid further problems. On motion by Bill Woolston, seconded by Merle Shumaker, the Board unanimously voted to table this matter for discussion and resolution at the special meeting of the Board convened to consider adoption of the proposed Code of Conduct.

New Business

A. Merle Shumaker raised a question regarding the Board's approval at the last meeting of the provision that board members, officers, committee chairmen, club reps, and their assistants be granted the opportunity to participate in non-competitive MISGA events with preference. Since these associates aggregate more than 100 persons, this group could monopolize many outings, Flings, Junkets, etc. to the disadvantage of other associates. Merle suggested that this provision be amended.

Following discussion, Bill Hulihan recommended that we wait for experience to determine whether such disadvantage would occur before amending or rescinding the provision.

B. Hole-in-One Club

Roy Gauzza has suggested that a MISGA-wide Hole-in-One club be formed. Members would contribute, on an optional basis, to a fund that would pay out monetary awards to those scoring a hole-in-one at a MISGA event during the year. Upper limits would be established for award amounts and the fund would carry over year-to-year.

Following discussion it was decided to place this matter on the agenda of the club reps meeting for consideration and decision.

C. By-laws Revisions

Merle Shumaker distributed copies of suggested wording of changes to

Article II b, Article II d, and Article III that were approved by vote of the club reps in July, 1988. It was agreed to place this on the agenda of the club reps meeting to be held on April 17, 1989.

D. MISGAGRAM

Ken Pierson, newly appointed editor of MISGAGRAM stated that it was his objective to make the publication as interesting and helpful as possible. To help accomplish this, Ken asked all present to forward to him any suggestions they felt would be useful.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:33 A.M.

Respectfully submitted

W. J. Marshall Secretary