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Attendees: Tom Taylor, Ralph Starkey, John Babyak, Dick Schwinger, Howard Taylor, Jim Wilcox, Mike Urquhart, Jim Beisler, Ted Ifft, Carl Lazar, Gary Sorrell, Jim Ewalt, Pete Sorge, Byron Keadle, Tom Tarpley, Dick Crone, Lloyd Stimson and Errol Myers, Ken Walgren, Mike Mason and Bill Bailey.

Secretary's Report – The minutes of the December 6, 2011 Board Meeting were published on the web site. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as presented on the website. The minutes were accepted.

Treasurer's Report – Dick Schwinger had four things to talk about. All bills are paid, no bills outstanding. He has received Div III's club dues. The clubs are supposed to send the \$50 to the Division and the Division will send him one check. He presented the Actual Expenses vs. 2011 Budget, The Proposed Budget for 2012 and the Actual Allotments for 2012. The Proposed Budget was voted on and approved. The Actual Allotments were also voted on and approved.

Division Director's Reports

Division I – Howard Taylor submitted a report via e-mail. Shawnee is under new management and there are two new reps. Bob Burd is the new rep at Shawnee. John Kennedy is the rep at Sussex Pines. He introduced Joe Bailey who is the Div I DAC. There is a problem with one associate from Wild Quail who has a conflict with the Delaware Amateur qualifier and a Div I and Div III qualifier. It was decided that he could skip the Div qualifier. Ralph Starkey made a comment about Williamsburg. They have room for more players but they do have about seventy-five signed up.

Division II – Tom Taylor submitted a report via e-mail. The plans for the Summer Frolic are still not solidified, they don't have a venue as yet.

Division III – Bert Bigelow submitted a report via e-mail. The Easton club has been sold. The new owners have spent some money making improvements. Hunters Oak was sold. He doesn't know what their status will be. Their pro has left the club.

Division IV – A report was submitted via e-mail. Membership in the division is stable, the membership at Montgomery C.C. went up. The division had a discussion about what tees that they would be playing. One club is saying that if your handicap is 30 or greater, you must play from the forward tees. At Kenwood, we will be playing from the forward tees but we will have an option for players to move back to a different set of tees with two strokes added to the handicap. Gary Manion mentioned that the Intercounty Connector is a good way to get to the courses in Div IV. There are four clubs that are enforcing a 4½ hour time for mixers otherwise your team is not eligible for prize money.

Division V – Jim Beisler submitted a report via e-mail. Jim introduced the new Asst Div Director, Mike Mason. Ocean Pines has had some serious problems with its golf course. They are planning to redo nine greens this Spring and the remaining nine holes in the Fall. Unfortunately, they didn't take into account that the State of Maryland requires permits to do this.

Division VI – Ted Ifft submitted a report via e-mail. Compass Pointe has about forty members. Ft. Meade is closing, probably in May. Many of their members have gone to Compass Pointe. The club intends to stay in MISGA but will only schedule away mixers.

Committee Chairmen Reports

Associates – Charlie Fieldhouse was not at the meeting. He did submit a report. It was pointed out that he has a report for deceased associates but if you go to the MISGA website, you can't find the report. It turns out that it is listed under club rep info. It was suggested that the form be included in the FORMS section of the website.

Audit – Jim Wilcox submitted a report via email. The MISGA 2-man Final was not auditable because the host did not submit any receipts. It is vital that all event sponsors be reminded of the requirement to submit all receipts, checks and notes for the events. All other events were audited correctly.

Legal – Jim Ewalt reported that no one is being charged with anything, we are not charging anyone with anything and no one is in jail.

Events – Pete Sorge said that we are trying to work out something with Heritage Hills for the Summer Frolic. We will also consider Cacapon. Pete is still deciding whether to have one or two events for the Fall Frolic. We have about 50 or 60 people at each event but people are saying that they like the smaller groups. He has a contract with Fripp Island but hasn't executed it yet. There are some points in it that he wants changed. He is also considering Little River but those are all two bedroom units and they are only offering tee times which are not acceptable. He has considered other venues. Sea Trail is in bankruptcy again. He would like some more participation at the events from the Board.

Historian – Earl Gaylor was not at the meeting.

Membership – Tom Taylor reported that we have lost four clubs, Nassawango, the VFW, Ft. Meade and Hunters Oak. Ft. Meade will still be operating this year. There are two other clubs that are in trouble, the Elks Club and Wakefield Valley. Since 2004, we have picked up 16 clubs but we have lost 644 members.

Misgagram – Byron Keadle said that he talked with Dick Dale and Dick is not getting any communication about the availability of the Misgagram on the website. The reason is that his club rep is not interested in forwarding the info and he won't do it. Byron belongs to two clubs but he did not get any notice about the Misgagram. He contacted the club reps and eventually the notices came out. He would suggest that at the Spring training seminars, we emphasize to the club reps that forwarding info is part of their job. A discussion about emails and distribution followed.

Policy & Planning – Bob Turner was not at the meeting and had no report.

PP AD HOC – Tom Tarpley said that he put out a notice that Past Presidents have been asked to list at least 3 associates that deserve special acknowledgement for service. He would like to see a certificate given to these individuals for a job well done. It was suggested that we might give a MISGA coffee mug instead of a certificate. Speaking of past presidents, Sam Hall has metastatic cancer, and is undergoing chemo.

Rules and Handicap – Dick Crone said that he hoped all clubs have been re-licensed to give out handicaps. We will have many events played from multiple tee boxes so we sent a long email how to calculate the different handicaps. He will send to the club reps, through the Email Distribution System, a shortened version of the previous email on multiple tees. He will consider a version for possible posting on the website. He explained three of the more important rules changes made by the USGA and the R&A for 2012-2015.

Web – Errol Myers said that he needs the club reps to update the club info, like club fees and tee times. If clubs want to suggest the ICC for travel, they should supply that info.

Tournament Chairman – Lloyd Stimson submitted a report via e-mail. He has scheduled orientation meetings with the tournament committees at each club hosting the two 2012 MISGA Championship Tournaments (MCTs). The purpose of the meetings is to discuss the tournament management and coordination activities and review the associated documents. He reminded the Board that the size of the field for the two MCTs has been reduced from 128 to 100 finalists. Hopefully, this reduction will result in a shorter playing time. Although he is no longer restricted to selecting host clubs from within a 50 mile limit of the Bay Bridge for the MCTs, he asked consideration be given to the possible elimination of the division rotation schedule as well. This would increase flexibility for scheduling the MCTs at MISGA's higher quality clubs and at a more centralized locations within Maryland. It was questioned whether or not such action would require a by-law change. Stimson offered to investigate the requirement and report at the September Board meeting. The 50 mile limit of the Bay Bridge had eliminated all Div 5 clubs from hosting a MCT. There was a discussion about blended tees.

Old Business

None.

New Business

MISGA Shirts – Pete Sorge had a sample shirt that he can order if anyone is interested.

Non-MISGA Clubs for Tournaments – The question was raised about using non-MISGA clubs for tournaments but it was pointed out the by-laws require MISGA clubs only.

Wrap-up – The next meeting will be held on April 9, 2012 at Prospect Bay. Coffee and donuts at 8:30 AM and a meeting at 9:30 AM. A plated lunch, chicken cordon bleu or roast beef, at \$17 will be served at 11:00 and optional golf will be at 12:00. The cost will be \$20 for golf and \$5 for prize money. The club would like to know how any people will be there. Ralph thanked Gary Sorrell, moving to Indianapolis, for the outstanding job he has done for MISGA.

Spring meeting for Division 1 at Maple Dale CC 3-28-2012

Shawnee under new management in 2012 associated with The Rooker.

New Reps for 2012:

SHAWNEE - Rep Bob Burd

SUSSEX PINES - Rep John Kennedy Asst Rep Joe Hall

Howard Taylor
Division 1 Director

MISGA BOARD MEETING
March 20, 2012
Hobbits Glen Golf Club
Div II Report

The Division II Spring meeting and training seminar will be held on March 29th at Quail Valley Golf Club with golf to follow.

.The division will again run a Round Robin Match Play tournament for all clubs who express an interest in competing commencing April 1. At present 5 clubs have expressed an interest in playing

Division Championships are scheduled for:

Stroke Play	June 18, 2012	Rattlewood Golf Club
Two-Man Team	July 9, 2012	Beaver Creek Country Club
Division II Pro-Am	June 23, 2012	Hunt Valley Golf Club

Summer Frolic is scheduled on September 12th and 13th. Location is still up in the air.

The fall meeting is not scheduled at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Taylor
Director, Division II

DIVISION III Report

---Bob Merritt, our Prospect Bay treasurer, has agreed to accept the Division III position of Associates Chair.

---Sam Wood is the new club rep for Harbourtowne

---Thanks to the efforts of Lloyd Stimson, a meeting is scheduled for this Friday to begin the planning of the ABCD tournament that will be held on August 14 at Talbot Country Club.

Bert Bigelow

MISGA BOARD MEETING
March 20, 2012
Hobbits Glen Golf Club
Division IV Report

Division IV held its spring meeting and training seminar on March 15th at Norbeck Country Club. There were 26 reps and assistant reps in attendance. Weather was in the 70's.

Information was shared on all of the MISGA tournaments for the year. Our Division IV championships will be held as follows:

ABCD: Bretton Woods, June 11
2-Man: Montgomery CC, June 25

Our Division IV Pro-Am will be held at Leisure World on August 27.

Clubs reported on numerous improvements to club facilities and golf courses. Membership appears to be stable for the year.

Most clubs reported that they are enforcing a 4 ½ hour rule for completion of rounds in mixers. Experience has been good, with very few disqualifications.

There was also discussion of what tees were being used at the different clubs, and the USGA/PGA "Tee It Forward" initiative. Some clubs allow or require certain players to play from forward tees if their age/handicap exceeds a certain level. Some others use blended tees for the mixers. Kenwood announced that it plans to play all mixers from the forward tees, while allowing anyone to move back to the middle tees with an additional 2 strokes added to their handicaps. There was agreement to experiment this year, and no policy was proposed at this time.

23 reps stayed to play golf after the meeting. We agreed to play from the forward tees (5452 yards) as an experiment. Everyone found it an enjoyable experience playing from the forward tees.

Manor Country Club will again be its annual holiday party in mid-December.

The fall meeting has not yet been scheduled.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Urquhart
Director, Division IV

MISGA BOARD MEETING

MARCH 20, 2012

DIVISION V REPORT

Mike Mason of Ocean Pines has accepted the role of Assistant Director of Division V.

The Division V Spring Meeting will be held in the next few weeks.

Division Qualifiers are set for:

ABCD – June 13, 2012 – Deer Run

Two Man Team – June 21, 2012 – Green Hill

The Division will continue the practice of each club having two dates with no competing intra-division mixers.

As of now, there are 31 mixers scheduled for 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Beisler

Director, Division V

Division VI Director's Report

Hobbits Glen Board Meeting – March 20, 2012

Division VI will hold its spring training seminar at The University of Maryland on April 2, 2012.

The Division Stroke Play Championship (ABCD) qualifier is scheduled for July 9, 2012 at Cross Creek and the 2-Man team qualifier is scheduled for June 25, 2012 at Walden.

The Div. VI Pro AM has not been scheduled.

Compass Pointe has been approved as a MISGA Club in Division VI and has scheduled mixers in 2012.

Fort Meade will be closing their golf course in May and as of this date they have not decided on the future of Ft. Meade as a MISGA member. Many of the clubs in Division VI have extended an offer to Ft. Meade members to join their clubs. Many of the Ft. Meade members have already switched their membership to Compass Pointe.

Compass Pointe has now more members than the minimum required and as soon as I receive their membership list, I will be requesting that their conditional membership be changed to a full membership.

Ted Ifft
Director

TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE MISGA BOARD MEETING

MARCH 20, 2012

- Status of financial accounts:
 - a. Checking account \$ 1,857.71
 - b. Savings account 9,939.47
 - c. Combined CD totals 20,501.17
- | | |
|-------|-------------|
| Total | \$32,501.17 |
|-------|-------------|
- All bills paid – no bills outstanding.
 - 1st installment of 3 division budget checks distributed today
 - Division 3 has paid its \$50 Club Dues for 8 clubs
 - 2012 Budget submitted for approval
 - 2012 division allotment per membership submitted for approval
 - 2011 Actuals vs Budget submitted for information

		ACTUAL VS BUDGET 2011							
		as of 12/31/11							
	Category Description	2011 Actuals	Proposed 2011 Budget						
INCOME									
	ASSOCIATES DUES	17,825	18,500						
	CLUB DUES	3,350	3,350						
	EVENTS REVENUE		26						
	INTEREST -- SAVINGS	397	550						
	TOTAL INCOME	21,572	22,426						
EXPENSES									
	BOARD MEETINGS	1,075	694						
	BUSINESS INSURANCE	2,918	2,957						
	BUSINESS SUPPLIES & FEES	943	66						
	COMPUTER/TELEPHONE	0	0						
	COMPUTER SERVICES	0	0						
	DIVISION OPERATIONS	8,818	8,703						
	MAILING & POSTAGE	109	125						
	MISGAGRAM	0	0						
	PRINTING	73	0						
	TOURNAMENTS	1,277							
	TRAVEL	4,462	4,660						
	TROPHIES & AWARDS	520	2,190						
	MISC	50							
	TOTAL EXPENSES	20,245	19,395						
EXPECTED	INCOME LESS EXPENSES	1,327	3,031						

Actual Allotments for 2012 Based on 2011 Paid Membership Per Division, Plus for new club members												
as of 3/16/12												
Division	2011 Clubs	Paid Up Members	Percentage	Amount of total Allotment	Actual Allotment for March 2012	Proposed Allotment for June 2012	Proposed Allotment for later (after 6/1/12)					
1	9	423	11.9%	1,099	366 Pd 3/20	366	366					
2	17	731	20.5%	1,899	633 Pd 3/20	633	633					
3	9	351	9.8%	912	304 Pd 3/20	304	304					
4	10	886	24.9%	2,301	767 Pd 3/20	767	767					
5	10	409	11.5%	1,062	354 Pd 3/20	354	354					
6	12	765	21.5%	1,987	662 Pd 3/20	662	662					
Totals	67	3,565	100.0%	9,260	3,087	3,087	3,087					
Approved =>					Given to DDs							
3/20/2012					20-Mar-12							

***MISGA Board Meeting
March 20, 2012
Hobbit's Glen Golf Club
Columbia, Maryland***

Audit Committee Report

1. The MISGA 2-Man Final at Rolling Road on August 1, 2011 was not auditable, as the host did not submit the receipts, checks, et al for the event. Rolling Road's representative, Jim Boyd, stated that all income submitted was spent on prizes and food, and that there was no overage nor shortage.
(It is vital that all event sponsors be reminded of the requirement to submit all receipts, checks and notes for our events.)

2. 2011 Summer Frolic at Carroll Valley Resort, Pa. (9/13/11 to 9/15/11) Financial Report.

All expenditures were supported by receipts, checks or notes. All income was identified by source. A shortage of \$9.09 will be absorbed by the Division II treasury.

3. 2011 Fall Frolic at Seabrook Island Club, S.C. (10/30/11 to 11/4/11) Financial Report.

All expenditures were supported by receipts, checks, and notes. All income was identified by source. Overage of \$163.31 will be kept for use for the 2012 Fall Frolic.

4. 2011 Fall Frolic at Villas By The Sea (Jekyll Island), Ga. (11/6/11 to 11/11/11) Financial Report.

All expenditures were supported by receipts, checks, and notes. All income was identified by source. Overage of \$151.41 will be kept for use for the 2012 Fall Frolic.

5. The 2011 Treasurer's Records audit is still in process.

James Wilcox
Audit Committee Chairman



Maryland Interclub Seniors Golf Association

MISGA Board Meeting

@ Hobbits Glen CC

Date Mar. 20 2012

Associates Chairman Report

Associates Chairman Report

Appendix 13.1

MISGA Roster has not been revised as of this date - next revision due late June 2012. As of this date all the DAC's are aware of the revised system and do not seem to have any problems, that I am privy to.

Reminder: Division Directors the Division Club Dues \$50.00 dollars for each club in your division is due April 1 and the Division Check is to be sent to

Dick Schwinger 410-489-5216

14119 Burnwoods Road schwingerr@yahoo.com

Glenwood, MD 21738 HOLLY HILLS

I received the following e-mail:

Charlie

We are told by our rep(XXXXXXX), that we can't refuse women from playing in our mixers! Is this the position of the board? I know a few play out of XXXXX, we don't see this in our region. I don't see this as a benefit, to MISGA golf, some guys would prefer not to play with women! Please ,if possible, clarify this for me, or let me know who I can contact.

I sent him the Archives section "Ladies" and referred him to the Web Site Archives.

Have you Directors informed your Division that the ARCHIVES are posted on the MISGA WEB SITE. I previously e-mailed each of you the latest copies. If you did not get the e-mail copies let me know and I will forward them to you.

MISGA ASSOCIATE CHAIRMAN 2012

Charlie Fieldhouse

Membership Committee Report
Hobbits Glen Country Club
March 20, 2012

An examination of the Associate Chairman's year end report reveals that we have a gain of 14 clubs since 2004. The problem is that we also show a loss of 644 members or 15% during the same period. This is a loss of 80 members per year.

To start the year 2012 we have a loss of 4 clubs, Nassawango, VFW, Ft. Meade and Hunters Oak. The membership of Ft. Meade, for the most part, will be moving to Compass Point, a new club for 2012. We also know that most of the members of the fallen clubs will be moving to other clubs in their area. However, we can expect a small loss in the transfers.

Unfortunately, we have an additional two clubs who also appear to be in trouble:
Wakefield Valley in Division II
Elks Club in Division V

Cross Creek is still on probation pending their meeting the 32 member requirement. It is expected they will meet this goal in 2012.

Only one Division has show a gain in membership since 2004:

Div. VI	17% or 113 members, gain of 3 clubs and losing one and gaining one in 2012
Div. II	minus 16% or 142 members, gain of 5 clubs and losing one in 2012
Div. III	minus 17% or 73 members, gain of 2 clubs and losing one in 2012
Div. IV	minus 17% or 185 members
Div. I	minus 24% or 132 members, gain of 2 clubs
Div. V	minus 35% or 225 members, gain of 2 clubs and losing one in 2012


Thomas Taylor
Chairman

MISGAGRAM Editor Report
MISGA Board Meeting – 3/20/2012
Hobbits Glen County Club

A. There is some concern (and some evidence) that the MISGAGRAM is not reaching all Associates who have email. Since we know that the Directors faithfully forward the MISGA-Distribution All email (they do, don't they?), then either the Club Rep is failing to forward the notification or the Associate doesn't bother to access the web site to download the MISGAGRAM. Of course, if the Club Rep is the culprit, that doesn't keep the Associates from periodically accessing the internet to see whether a new MISGAGRAM has been published. In addition, the publication dates are printed in every MISGAGRAM, so the Associate should know when to begin searching..

B. We are getting very few articles or letters from MISGA associates for publishing in the MISGAGRAM. We need contributions of items of interest in the form of articles, pictures (with captions), letters to the editor, event reports, suggestions, holes-in-one, obituaries or death notices, and anything else of interest to the MISGA associate. For guidance on submitting articles and pictures, please download the document, "Preparing Documents for the MISGAGRAM" at:

http://www.misga.org/Guides/Mgram_Prep.pdf .


Byron Keadle
MISGAGRAM Editor

MISGA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Hobbits Glen Country Club - Tuesday, March 20, 2012

MISGA Tournament Chairman's Report

1. *2012 Championship Tournaments*

Championship	Location	Date	Rain Date
Past Presidents (ABCD)	Talbot CC (Div III) Easton, MD	August 14, 2012 Tuesday	August 28, 2012 Tuesday
2-Man Team	Norbeck CC (Div IV) Rockville, MD	September 6, 2012 Thursday	September 27, 2012 Thursday

2. *MCT Orientation Meetings* - The purpose of the meetings is to discuss with the "Tournament Committees" the management and coordination activities of the two MCTs and to review the associated operational documents.

- a. ABCD - Talbot CC - March 23, 2012
- b. 2-Man Team - Norbeck CC - TBD

3. *Reminder* - The maximum field for the *Past Presidents (ABCD)* tournament has been reduced from 128 to 100 finalists and the *2-Man Team* tournament reduced from 64 to 50 teams (*100 finalists*). It is hoped this field reduction will result in a shorter playing time for each tournament.

Prepared by:

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Lloyd Stimson
MISGA Tournament Chairman (MTC)