

July 2018 Meeting Notes

Golf Joint Advisory Committee Meeting Notes

Wednesday, July 11, 4:00 pm at Country Club Boardroom

Attending: Leia Bush, Rex Butler, Pat Laury, Jason Loyd, Darryl Muldoon, Susan Nuttall, Bruce Portillo, Mary Riorden, Phil Spencer, David Whelchel, Phillip Wright, Tom Judson

Absent: Dean Collins

Important Outcomes:

- Voted to support the written policy relating to Cart Tags
- Vote on Golf Cart Handicap Flag Policy in August
- Discuss pricing & projects for 2019, meeting scheduled for Wednesday 8/1 at 3:00 pm
- Next Regular GJAC Meeting August 8, 2018 in the BVCC Boardroom
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Meeting Notes

Call to Order – Rex Butler called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm, He welcomed Mary Riorden back to the committee and Phil Spencer as a new member.

Staff Reports:

- **Golf Maintenance - Keith**
 - #6 Highlands, new sod being laid to replace winter kill area
 - #7/13 Highlands Bathroom are having additional asphalt laid to be in compliance with ADA
 - #9 Scotsdale, bridge has been patched, concrete to be poured on 7/12, the bridge will have concrete railings
 - #17 Scotsdale – put in a drain and sodded by the green
 - Scotsdale greens – the growth is looking good, lot of runners. On schedule for September 1 opening.
- **Golf Operations – Phillip/Darryl**
 - Golf Financials (Appendix 1)
 - Overall revenue is down about 3%. This is an excellent turnaround from the cold, slow start to the year.
 - Tournament / Clinic Update
 - Jr. Camp is full with 32 players. A fun day with parents/grandparents is planned for Saturday along with a picnic and pool party
 - Many tournaments coming up
 - Other Golf Operations Topics
 - A new pro, Hillary Spence will be joining the Golf Staff. Hillary is a teaching pro and will also do club fittings. She will be responsible for the Jr. Program, Group and Individual Classes. Hillary will be starting in September.
 - Golf Cart Handicap Flag Policy: (Appendix 2)
 - Phillip reviewed a draft of the Golf Cart Handicap Flag Policy. The purpose of the policy is to have a defined policy recognizing the needs of handicapped players.
 - The policy will be reviewed by David Whelchel, Doug McCash and Golf Operations for fine tuning (if needed). The committee will vote next month on a recommendation to the Board.

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- Cart Tags – VOTE
 - A few players have demonstrated an unwillingness to comply with the Cart Tag Policy by leaving used Tags on their private carts. The policy indicates the tags are to be removed after play. This creates additional work for the Player Assistants who are checking the tags. The Golf Department has spoken with each of the individuals to no avail.
 - Motion: The Golf Committee supports the process to enforce the Cart Tag policy as written. Motion by Susan Nuttall, Second by Jason Loyd, vote 5-0.
- **General Management – Tom**
 - The Golf Rounds Study has been provided to the Board of Directors. It will be included in the General Newsletter on Thursday and the Golf Newsletter on Friday.
 - RFQ (Request for Qualifications) for flood damage prevention: 5 companies have responded. The team is reviewing. Next step: RFP -Request for Proposal
- **Board Liaisons - none**

Comments from the Public: please limit time to 3 minutes

Old Business

- Update on Longest Day – Alzheimer Tournament – Susan Nuttall
 - Advertising has started, information available on the website
 - Susan will distribute Sponsor Information

New Business

- 2019 Project and Pricing – Due August 17th. Do we want a special meeting prior to Committee meeting August 14th? Meeting scheduled for Wednesday 8/1 at 3:00 pm.

Next Steps:

- Vote on Golf Cart Handicap Flag Policy in August Meeting
- Fresh Look Task Force to present the Recommendation to the Board by 7/17

The next meeting of the Golf JAC is August 8, 2018 in the BVCC Boardroom

Adjourn – Rex Butler adjourned the meeting at 4:50 pm

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Appendix 1 – Financials

GOLF FEES AND CART REVENUE ANALYSIS Year to Date June 2018

COMPARISON 2016, 2017 AND 2018			
	2016	2017	2018
Member Greens Fees *	\$604,370	\$484,431	\$434,657
Annual Greens Fees	\$684,280	\$761,176	\$782,688
Total Members Green Fees	\$1,288,650	\$1,245,607	\$1,217,345
Cart Rentals	\$347,766	\$358,632	\$346,263
Private Cart Registrations	\$161,247	\$143,040	\$130,324
Annual Seat Leases	\$424,396	\$419,951	\$397,628
Total Cart Fees	\$933,410	\$921,623	\$874,215
Guest Greens Fees **	\$363,552	\$322,190	\$307,300
Merchandise Revenue	\$219,524	\$222,100	\$226,386

Bella Vista Golf Cart Handicap Flag Policy

It is Bella Vista POA policy to restrict motorized golf cart traffic around tees and greens, and during adverse weather conditions. However, we also recognize the needs of handicapped players who may not be able to access the golf course without an accommodation. A handicap flag on a golf cart signifies that the player utilizing that cart has a disability that makes walking to their ball a hardship. To check out a handicap flag from the pro shop, the individual must possess a state approved permanent or temporary disabled parking placard/license plate and must present the handicap vehicle registration form to the pro shop attendant. Players with a handicap shall abide by the following regulations:

1. Players must check out a handicap flag prior to his/her round and return the flag to the pro shop after completion of the round.
2. To check out a flag, the player must either leave his/her POA member card or his/her valid driver's license. These items will be returned after the flag is returned to the pro shop.
3. The flag is required to always be on the golf cart, must be visible, and may not be transferred from cart to cart.
4. The flag will allow the player to drive his/her golf cart off the cart path on all holes and **within 10 yards** of all greens and tees when the 90-degree rule is in effect.
5. The 90-degree rule means that a player is to drive their cart along the cart path until the cart has reached a point where a 90-degree turn would cause the cart to drive laterally across the fairway directly to the ball.
6. For safety reasons, parking carts on the slopes/surrounds of any green or tee box or within 5 yards of greenside bunkers, is prohibited. Driving between the green and greenside bunkers is likewise prohibited.
7. During course maintenance, when the course has been designated Cart Path Only, or when other conditions may warrant it, **ALL** players, including those who may otherwise qualify for a handicap flag, must adhere to cart path only restrictions.
8. Any use of carts off the cart path is at the player's own risk and any problems or injuries resulting from such use are the player's responsibility.

Misuse of a handicap flag or failure to follow this policy will result in the loss of the privilege of obtaining a handicapped flag.