Final

Golf Joint Advisory Committee Meeting Notes
Wednesday, November 8th, 2023, 4:00 pm BVCC and Zoom

Attendees: Jerre Barron, David DeGraf, Jim Estes, Jerry Foster, Ruth Hatcher, Jeff Hendren, Tom Judson, Brad Lawrence, Jason Loyd, Jessica McCrary, Darryl Muldoon, Kimela Mullen, Alex Sanford, and Ashley Wood

Absent: Gary Mertz

Call to Order – Ruth Hatcher called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm

Approval of the October 11th meeting- Dave Armstrong made motion to approve. Mark Deihl Seconded it. Unanimous approval.

Course reports – See course reports. Suspend Facility reviews until April meeting.

Golf Facilities Reviews are assigned as shown below.

Country Club-Jim Estes

Dogwood/Brittany-Brad Lawrence

Highlands-Gary Mertz

Kingswood/Berksdale-David Degraf

Scotsdale-Jerry Foster

Tanyard Creek-Kimela Mullen

Staff Reports:

- **Maintenance – Keith Ihms**
  - Started stockpiling topsoil for Tanyard project.
  - Kingswood repairing truck damage on hole #15, insurance money to pay for repairs. Re-did red tee.
  - Building new tee for lessons/fittings on the back of the Highlands practice tee area. Ready in the spring.
  - Complimented Greg at Highlands making range look great.
  - Asphalt at Highlands was installed on #8 & #17 cart path. Sod and soil will be installed on sides of #8 cart path.
  - Paving completed on Maintenance Road at BVCC into the Village Wastewater Department.
  - Working with contractor on Tanyard project. Start Jan-February.
  - Working with Friends of the Highlands on option on cart flow at the range.
  - Mulching only on the rough not on fairways.
  - Ask for help from the committee in preventing cart traffic damage on the fairways.
  - Ongoing leaf removal. Removed Ice machines.
  - No-mow areas brush hogged 2-3 times a year. Possible discussion next year.
  - Scotsdale leveled out creek bed gravel.
  - Cleaning out sprinkler heads and relocating.
  - 340 Project update. Contractor repouring cart path. Still need to move the tunnel.
  - Need Golf Ops to install signage on golf traffic patterns.
  - Electric Borring on BVCC is finished. Build new tee back on #6.
  - **Keith announced his retirement for next year.**

- **Golf Operations-Darryl**
  - Tanyard Creek project was delayed due to permits. Will stay open around end of December.
  - Thanked staff and membership for their support of pro shops.
  - Software update. The membership portal has changed. Need to reactivate your membership.
  - Input your number, password sent to your email linked to your account.
  - Any problems contact golf ops.
  - Carts on path through winter on different dates on different courses.
  - Suspended member for not keeping carts on path.
  - See Something Say Something!

October Round Report was pulled on 10/29/2023 and are as follows:

- October rounds as of 10/29/2023 ended at 17,425.
  - Up by 121 over last year.
- Year-to-date as of 10/29/2023 rounds ended at 183,087.
  - Up by 25,439 over last year.
  - Members rounds ended at 113,266.
    - Up by 10,082 over last year.
  - Guest rounds ended at 69,821.
    - Up by 16,357 over last year.

October is always a busy month as it is perfect golfing weather until winter showed up early the last weekend of October. Pro Shop Sale ended October at 154% to budget. The Kingsdale sale has helped the budget number this month. There is still inventory left with the old logo. We also started a grip sale at Grip it, all grips are marked down to sell. No additional discounts and all sales are final.

- Range buckets for October ended at 6,376 (up by 530 over 2022).
- Range buckets year-to-date ended at 72,813 (up by 14,187 over last year)

- **Tournaments Alex**
  - Alex Thanked Future Cup players Dave Armstrong, Larry Apathy, Charlie Powell and all 72 players.
  - Operation 36 is all wrapped up.
  - Veterans Day Tournament is on Saturday November 11th. 32 teams.
  - Alex reviewing 2024 tournament calendar for next year.
  - Dave Armstrong said they are increasing their donation from last year to $6000 this year. Donations going for Op. 36, Gravette golf, Junior Golf. A great tournament to give back to the community!

- **General Management-Tom**
  - Hired professional consulting service called Dennehey. Executive search for Keith's replacement.
  - Search committee -Ruth, Tom, Darryl, Tammie Loyd, Reid Holly, Christy.
  - Thanked Keith for his service.
  - Budget Presentation. Tomorrow Nov. 9th 6:00 p.m. Live streamed.
  - BVRC is opening soon. Gym section will be open 24 hours a day when BVRC opens with key card.

- **General Committee Comments**
    - Jerry complimented Kyle on holes he filled at hole #18 and doing excellent job at Scotsdale.
    - Dave Armstrong complimented him on getting fountain going on #18 at Scotsdale.

- **Board Liaisons-Jerre, Jeff, Jason**

- **Comments/Emails from the Public:**

- **Old Business**
- **New Business**
    - Dave Armstrong-discuss options for keeping our fairways safe during the winter.
        - Enforce 90-degree rule. Talk to membership.
        - Keep carts off fairways, drive in the rough.
        - Darryl has cards in carts reminding golfers of 90-degree rule.
        - Jerry said use mats to save fairways.
        - Keith said it's still important to fill divots in the winter.
        - Encourage group leaders to put out memo to respect the fairways.

- **Announcements:**
    - Golf JAC Regular Meeting – Wednesday, February 14, 2024, at 4:00pm, Boardroom.
    - December & January meetings were cancelled due to holidays and winter.
    - Encourage everyone to watch Budget Presentation. Tomorrow Nov. 9th 6:00 p.m.

Adjourn – Ruth Hatcher adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.