Golf Joint Advisory Committee Meeting **MINUTES**

Meeting Date: ***October 9, 2024***
4:00pm BVCC & Livestream

Attendance:	***In Attendance***	***Absent***	***Attendance:***	***In Attendance***	***Absent***
1. Armstrong, Dave	__X___	_____	Jerre Barron	____	__X__
2. DeGraf, Dave	_____	___X__	Darryl Muldoon	__X_	_____
3. Estes, Jim	__X___	_____	Graham Kornmeyer	__X_	_____
4. Foster, Jerry	_____	___X__	Kathleen Coughlin	____	__X__
5. Hatcher, Ruth	__X__	_____	Tom Judson	__X_	_____
6. Lawerence, Brad	__X__	_____	Jessica McCrary	__X_	_____
7. Mertz, Gary	_____	___X__	Alex Sanford	__X_	_____
8. Merritt, Clay	__X__	_____	Dave Brandenberg	____	_____
9. Mullens, Kimela	__X__	_____			

CALL TO ORDER: R. Hatcher called the meeting to order at 4:00pm

Approval of last month's Meeting Minutes

Motion by: ***Dave Armstrong*** Seconded by: ***Jim Estes*** Approved: ***Yes*** No Amended

BUSINESS ITEMS:

- ***Darryl Muldoon presented an award to the Highlands Golf Course staff from 'Celebrate Arkansas' as the VERY BEST Award Winner***.

GOLF FACILITIES' REPORTS:

- **BVCC** (J. Estes): The ***Golf Shop staff is friendly and course in good shape; hole 4 green expansion looking good***
- **DOGWOOD** (C. Merritt): ***Sand on par 3 tees were full***
- **HIGHLANDS** (B. Lawerence): ***Pro Shop is in great order; irrigation on hole 8 is completed and hole 7 almost completed; the aeration of greens healed very quickly, and greens are rolling very well; Shout out to the maintenance staff for their courtesy to golfers when playing***
- **KINGSWOOD/BERKSDALE** (D. DeGraf): ***No Report***
- **SCOTSDALE** (J. Foster): ***No Report***
- **TANYARD** (K. Mullens): ***Highland Driving range has been re-seeded as planned***
- ***Ruth Hatcher reported the no further course reports are needed during the winter months; next reports due in March. If any issues are noticed by the JAC members on any courses, they should bring it to the attention of the host Pro or Darryl Muldoon***.

STAFF REPORTS: See on-line reports: [Committees » Bella Vista Property Owners Association (bellavistapoa.com)]

GOLF OPERATIONS (D. Muldoon):

- ***Rounds are up 3,339 rounds over September2023, and YTD rounds are up 8,878 over this time last year; Pro Shop merchandise sales were up 111% over budget for the month;***
- ***Thanks to Friends of Highlands for sponsoring lunch at the H.S. District golf tournament;***
- ***Tanyard Creek: Oct 22, 3pm, open house; Darryl M presented pictures of the progress at Tanyard;***

MAINTENANCE (G. Kornmeyer): ***See Maintenance Report on-line for details*** (**Committees » Bella Vista Property Owners Association (bellavistapoa.com);**

- ***Enlargement of hole #4 green at BVCC will be completed 10/10/24, sodded area will be roped off for some weeks as the turf matures;***
- ***Dave Armstrong inquired as to the possibilities of par 3 tees being cut shorter on all courses; the grass was growing longer in preparation for winter; Graham K. will investigate the possibilities of mowing the tees more often;***
- ***Armadillos are causing a lot of damage; maintenance staff are dealing with it by addressing their food source (grubs); it was suggested to leave cans of grubs in Darryl M's front yard to attract the Armadillos away from the golf courses;***
- ***Aeration of all the courses' greens went well; the new core harvesting technology was used, and the greens healed up very quickly and rolling smoothly; Tanyard Creek greens were also aerated;***
- ***Fall fertilizing has begun and coloring application has been applied to Kingswood;***
- ***Turf for hole #4 expansion was slightly delayed because of hurricane Helene and a new source for sod was found in Chicago;***
- ***Leak in the pond on hole #6, Kingswood, has been identified and solutions to repair have been identified; will be proposing the cost to repair in the 2025 budget;***
- ***Root damage on cart paths is being investigated and a report of what can be done will be presented next month;***
- ***Progress on sprigging hole #18 at the Highlands was reported; triple rate area looks good with 100% coverage expected;***
- ***Tanyard Creek continues to progress well; practice greens look great;***
- ***Clay M. raised the question whether the course rating will change for Highlands with the new Zoysia grass; Darryl M. reported that the USGA has been informed about the changes and the need to be re-rated will be made once the grass has been fully established, probably in 2026;***
- ***Tanyard Creek open house is planned for Oct 22***

TOURNAMENTS (A. Sanford): See Tournament Schedule: **GOLF TOURNAMENTS » Bella Vista Property Owners Association (bellavistapoa.com)**

- **Rally in Pink, Veterans Day Event are the final events this year;**
- **Operation 36 had 94 participants in the program this year;**

BOARD LIASON COMMENTS**: No Comments**

PUBLIC EMAILS/COMMENTS**: Nothing to Report**

OLD BUSINESS**: Nothing to Report**

NEW BUSINESS**:**

- ***Dave A. announced the Future's Cup next week; 80 players will participate, and each have donated $100 to play in the event; Dave reported that the Red team (captained by Larry Apathy) has dominated the Blue team (captained by Charlie Powell) the past 5 years, winning 4 of the 5 years and most likely will win again this year;***
- ***Clay M. asked about course etiquette for groups coming off the course after their shotgun has concluded; groups should talk about it with their members and remind them to be aware of other golfers when they return to the clubhouse***

ANNOUNCEMENTS**: *Tom Judson announced the first tour of the Gun Range on 10/15, at 3:oopm***

NOTES**: *Next meeting on Nov 13, 2024, 4pm*; NO MEETINGS IN DECEMBER AND JANUARY**