


RHGC BOARD MEETING
Minutes
February 1, 2015, Sunday – 4:45 PM

PRESENT:

Len Gerlowski	President
Bill Ghant	Vice President
Alejandro Ramirez	Treasurer
Mel Rivera	Tournaments
Kurt Janssen	Handicaps
Mike Henry	Memberships
Jeff Meisner	Club House
Lee Kirk	Pro Shop
Gary Lorentz	Grounds and Rules
Melissa Brenner	Women's Group Representative
Sunil Kokal	Secretary
Not Present (regrets)	
Tamara Tahir	Social
Brian Carreon	Youth Golf

TOPIC	ACTIONS NOTED
<p>Meeting called to order</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The President welcomed everyone to the meeting. Bill motioned that the January meeting minutes be approved. It was seconded by Jeff and passed unanimously. 	<p>Info only.</p>
<p>President</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The President mentioned that non-golfer traffic on the course has increased...including walkers, people riding bicycles, and even motorized 'dirt bikes'. The Board agreed to send an e-mail to Recreation advisor requesting him to send a general e-mail to Saudi Aramco employees, especially camp residents, informing them of the hazards of this. RHGC (Len, Alejandro, Bill and Mel Knotts) met with the Community Services Planning Group to discuss the pending club subsidies for snack bar and pro salary from previous years. The meeting was not very promising given the cutbacks in budgets across the company. RHGC has followed-up with a letter and justification for collecting those reimbursements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> E-mail to Recreation advisor for increased traffic Letter to CS for collecting past reimbursements

<p>Report of the Treasurer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nothing to report other than the item already highlighted above. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Info only
<p>Pro-Shop and PRO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pro-shop is doing well. The T-shirts for the CEO Cup are in transit from Dubai. Lee reported the outcome of the 8-minute tee-time experiment conducted last year. Most people wanted to keep the status-quo of 10 minutes. It was agreed not to make any changes in the tee-time interval. However, in order to optimize the tee-times, slots with one or two golfers may be shifted to join other golfers who have spaces available near those times. An e-mail should be sent to all members that should highlight: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> More equitable tee-times by adjusting the tee-times of one or two golfers to join other golfers near those times A note on general golf etiquette Pace of play 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lee to draft e-mail to general membership highlighting pace of play and equitable tee-times.
<p>Club House</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The remodeling of the Club House façade is still in progress. Looks unlikely that the work will be completed before the CEO Cup. In that case appropriate signage will be posted for the CEO Cup. Jeff will draft a proposal for the lockers, share with the Board and then mail it out to the RHGC membership. First come – first serve policy. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> E-mailer to membership for lockers.
<p>Memberships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mike provided an update on the membership. Currently the membership roster is 574 total members with 61 new members. Renewals are still ongoing. Shed list has been updated. New sheds are still a go. Mike to prepare and distribute RHGC membership cards to all members. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distribute new membership cards to all members.
<p>Tournaments Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opening day had 47 teams in total (188) players. Handed out a divot fixer. One no-show. January Monthly Medal had 102 registered participants. 4 no-shows. The Oasis Cup was held with the Dirab Golf Club in Riyadh last weekend. There were 24 RHGC players and it was a great success. Dirab Club was very gracious in providing access to the course, lunches for both days and a BBQ dinner. RHGC will reciprocate by inviting Dirab Club in May. Mel will put a proposal together including budget and logistics. The February 7 Stableford has 107 entries. RHGC is following the no Handicap – no Registration policy. This is a validation that was placed to make sure that RHGC members have a valid HC. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incorporate the new Monthly Medal format immediately. Follow the tournament notices as agreed.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CEO Cup Preparations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CEO Cup registration (69, 67, 51) for Friday and Saturday sessions. ○ Received entries from Yanbu and Udhailiyah. Waiting for entries from other SAGA Clubs – Abqaiq and Ras Tanura. ○ Trophies are in. List of vouchers have been printed. Golf-shirts are on their way. ○ CEO Cup notification was sent out to the RHGC members. 3 volunteers to marshalling so far. • Final 2015 tournament calendar has been published on the RHGC home page. • The donations collected last year for the October MM for Breast Cancer will be handed over to the charity Zahra Breast Cancer Foundation later this week. The news will be shared with all RHGC members. • The Monthly Medal format was discussed in great detail. Finally a proposal by Jeff was motioned. It was seconded by Gary and approved by all present. Details of the revised and approved format are attached on the right. • The monthly medal/tournament format will be renamed Bi-monthly Medal and Bi-monthly Stableford. • It was proposed to send tournament reminders to the general membership as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ At least one month before the tournament ○ Reminder one week prior to the tournament ○ Post the pairings by Wednesday night or Thursday mornings. 	 2015 Monthly Tournament Informat
Handicaps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The HC roster is up to date. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Info only.
Grounds and Rules <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bill brought up the issue of general policing where golfers do not follow golf etiquette. There is little the RHGC Board can do for casual breaches. Chronic or serious breaches should be brought to the notice of Recreation who can take disciplinary action as per the RHGC Constitution and Bylaws. • Still waiting for the new mats for the driving range. • It was agreed to remove the drop-zone mat on # 13 (currently located on the road) due to water-hazard changes made near the tee-off. The red stakes should be changed to yellow color. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove drop-zone mat on # 13.
Youth Golf <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brian was absent. No update. Brian has hockey on Sunday nights and has communicated that he will be erratic in his attendance in the Board meetings. He will communicate his thoughts and plans to the Secretary or President prior to the Board meeting by e-mail. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Info only
Social <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tamara was absent but had sent the putting fun event proposal earlier. This was discussed during the meeting and was voted unanimously to proceed. Few 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mail event details to RHGC members.

<p>comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Change the wording “Bring the putter and ball” to “Bring the putter and ball, if possible, otherwise one will be provided”. ○ The first event should be mailed only to the RHGC members who can bring non-RHGC members but must accompany them. ● CEO Cup catering logistics ongoing. 	
<p>Ladies Golf</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Melissa shared the idea of a fun tourney with lady members from Dirab club to be played on a weekday. She was advised to contact Recreation Director for permission and then share a proposal with the Board. ● A certified yoga and fitness instructor can provide services at the Club House for RHGC members in the evenings. She was advised to put a proposal together and share with the Board. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dirab Club ladies tourney proposal. ● Yoga instructor for golfers proposal.
<p>Other Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● None. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Info only.
<p>The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.</p>	<p>Info only.</p>