

**RHGC BOARD MEETING MINUTES - RHGC Clubhouse**  
**April 7, 2024 at 4.45PM**

Name	Position	Attendance
<b>Elected Officers</b>		
Bruce Waldner	President (BW)	Yes
David Bedford	Vice President (DB)	Yes
Hayden Ponsford	Treasurer (HP)	Apologies
Kevin Capstick	Club Secretary (KC)	Yes
<b>Appointed Directors</b>		
Jim Platt	Facilities Director (JP)	Apologies
John-Paul Scallon	Grounds & Rules Director (JPS)	Apologies
Jonathan D'Antoni	Handicap Director (JD)	Yes
Alex Hollander	Junior Golf Director (AH)	Yes
Tamara Tahir	Ladies Golf Director (TT)	Yes
Margaret Priwijayanthie	Ladies Golf Director Assistant (MP)	Apologies
Tristan Walker	Media Director (TW)	Apologies
John Sinesi	Co-Membership Director (JS)	Apologies
Dianne Le	Co-Membership Director (DL)	Apologies
Sam Flack	Social Director (SF)	Yes
Christoffel Steenkamp	Co-Tournament Director (CS)	Yes
Edo Syafron	Co-Tournament Director (ES)	Apologies

**AGENDA ITEMS**

**1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Chair (Club Secretary) 4.46 PM**

**2. GUESTS - Nil**

**3. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:** Motion by KC to approve March 2024 Minutes was seconded by SF, and passed with a unanimous vote.

**4. NEW BUSINESS AND UPDATES BY OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS/COMMITTEES**

\* Order covered may change; Secretary will decide based on agenda or special requests

**President**

- 1) SAGA CEO Cup - Invitation has been circulated and we are using Golf Genius to record RHGC Members interest.
- 2) Website – BW is upgrading the website and CRM request has been submitted. Board will be updated when more information available.
- 3) Long Weekend- April approved by Community Services. **ACTION:** CS to configure in ForeTees
- 4) Portable Launch Monitor -RHGC is buying a portable launch monitor – Garmin R10. It is proposed to have it available to the membership via ForeTees (for a fee). **ACTION:** All to send HP suggestions as to process for booking/hours/ training. **ACTION:** HP & KC to write process/policy
- 5) Discount for Ladies in Ladies Golf Program – BW reported no one took the opportunity to join RHGC after the 50% discount was offered. Info only
- 6) Clock Tower – Quote submitted to Community Services & SAGA.
- 7) Leave/Vacation – BW requested that Board Members inform the Exec of their plans and take steps to ensure cover. **ACTION:** All to note.
- 8) Excellence awards location filming – BW stated that a Film crew will be at the driving range on April 19th at noon. Info only
- 9) New Board member one to one meetings. BW stated he had met and discussed each role and offered Exec support. JD thanked him for support.
- 10) SDG EXPO 2024 - EXPO planned for May 24, 2024 at DH King's Park. 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. Request for volunteer to organize. **ACTION:** Expressions of interest to BW.
- 11) BW has requested JPS to consider the need for Winter Rules to remain, once he returns to Kingdom. **ACTION:** JPS to consider and circulate decision.

**Prior Actions**

- 1) Community Services (CS) outstanding Issues -Update – All matters related to RHGC and CS were presented to the Supervisor of the Self-Directed groups on June 14th at a meeting for the ADT. BW will update when information received.

**Vice President****New Business**

- 1) Matchplay and Turkish Airline Tournament update. No actions/all in hand with DB.
- 2) Preparation for Oilman Tournament is ongoing. Swag, Balls etc have been ordered

**Prior Action Items**

1. DB raised the issue of installing a loudspeaker system which would cover the clubhouse and the driving range. DB to communicate with CSD – **CLOSED** DB liaised with CSD (Bury) for order.

**Treasurer****New Business**

- 1) 2023 accounts have been signed off by accountant and filed with CS.
- 2) New PC's have been ordered for Pro Shop. Thanks to CS for his expert assistance in the review.

**Prior action items**

1. Promote Pro lessons and initiatives.

**Secretary****New Business**

- 1) Nil

**Prior action items**

- 1) The 2023 Draft of RHGC Constitution and Bye Laws was submitted to Recreation Services Policy Group for concurrence in April 18, 2023. KC has followed up with policy group-work several times in email and telephone calls. No feedback from Rec Services – **OPEN**

**Membership****New Business**

- 1) Nil.

**Prior action items**

**ONGOING:** Saudi employee, and non-golfer Dependent Father to join. KC forwarded issue to CS policy team for decision in November 2023. – Awaiting response from CS.

**Grounds & Rules****New Business****Prior action items**

- 1) Pathway – the 2023 pathway between 10 and 11 is sinking. JPS working with CS to repair.
- 2) Review of course markings (Red and White) – Committee to complete review. JPS to report the recommendations.

**Facilities****New Business**

- 1) KC raised issue of Saudi Golf equipment stored in Ladies Locker Room. **ACTION:** JP to consider

**Prior Actions**

- 1) Leak in Started Building Roof – Reported to CS again (4 years now). CS reports inspection has been done and waiting for cost estimate. – **ONGOING**
- 2) Furniture in Members Lounge – CS is discussing proposals- **ONGOING**
- 3) The RHGC Clubhouse and Pro Shop Internet accounts (currently under JM) need to be in the name of a Saudi Member – Fahad Al Mulaik will take over the account. **ONGOING**

**Tournaments****New Business**

- 1) CS reported he is OOK from April 15 to May 13, but will work to support Tournaments. CS is providing ongoing mentorship with ES on Golf Genius.
- 2) GG has been set up for Medal, CEO Cup, President Cup, Turkish Airline & Cinco De Mayo

**Prior action items**

1. The Amazon account on the RHGC Firestick is in the name of Jeff Meisner. The account is now under remit of Tournament Directors (CS/ES). **ONGOING:** Transfer concluded; CS to establish the Firestick works.

**Handicap****New Business**

- 1) JD has successfully taken the required Training Course that ensures RHGC can self-verify Handicaps. A number of Board members congratulated JD. Info only

**Prior action items**

- 1) Stroke Index Allocation (SIA) project: **On HOLD.** The team previously met to review hole indexes, but due to potential planned course changes for ADT, etc. in 2023 and potential course rating in 2024 (see Grounds & Rules above), this action is on hold in September 2023 until later in 2024. It will be re-considered based on the state of the course.
- 2) RHGC Handicap Review Process – JD stated he wants to consider reviewing tournament scores only. BW stated this was a matter for the handicap Committee- **ACTION** JD to discuss with his committee and to bring proposals to Board. JPS and CS made worthwhile suggestions for the review to include, and would write an email to JD with those matters for consideration- **ACTION** JD to report to Board.

**Junior Golf****New Business**

- 1) AH stated he wanted to run event to encourage non-golfers to play. Discussion on equipment.

**Prior action items**

- 1) Nil

**Ladies' Golf****New Business**

1. TT reported the Ladies Golf Evening event for April has been changed to may. All actions and updates have been completed. Info only

**Prior action items**

- 1) Nil

**Media****New Business**

- 1) Nil

**Prior action items****Social****New Business**

- 1) SF stated the Cinco De Mayo Evening is in planning (Par 3 Tournament under floodlights). **ACTION:** Event to be promoted.
- 2) SF stated he is planning a Masters par 3 event for 2025, with Green Jackets. Info at this stage.
- 3) SF outlined offer and proposal from The Crowne Plaza for December Ball. There was a general discussion as to new options. SF stated he would complete additional research and report to Board. SF has negotiated a “Play for Play” rate with BH Golf Club for December Tournament; this will save costs for club.  
**ACTION:** ALL - Any ideas/suggestions to SF re December ball  
**ACTION:** SF to bring options to Board.

**Prior action items**

- 1) Nil

**5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Nil

**6. Meeting Concluded.** KC raised a motion to conclude business, second by SF and voted unanimously at 5.36 PM