

MPLN Board Meeting  
March 14, 2023

President Charlene Leach called the meeting to order at 1 pm.

**Present:** Charlene Leach, Linda Miles, Sandy Barney, Kathy Berkbighler, Joyce Sutay, Donna Schwald, Joyce Deutsch, Kay Tomaszek, Rita Smith, Diann Klousiadis, Raye Cobb, Helen Biggs, Laura Benson, Mary Cummins, Marla Butcher.

**Secretary Report:** Motion made and carried to accept minutes with name spelling correction of new member.

**Treasurer Report:** Beginning Balance \$16,5572.12. Ending balance after expenses \$16,867.12. Motion made and carried to accept.

**Audit Report:** Laura Benson completed annual audit with Treasurer on February 22. Laura complimented Kathy on her meticulous work as Treasure which expedited the audit.

Laura's report:

1. Add in on memo line on checks what the expenditure was for.
2. Board to look more closely at amount being spent on events and how much is spent to include donations from event committee members. Emphasis on making events nice with adequate funding.
3. Par Ringer board needs more close financial supervision since cash is involved although no discrepancies found, recommendation was for two people to review account quarterly. Linda commented that she is looking into using Golf Genius for managing Par ringer scores.
4. Receipts for events are being submitted timely.
5. Expenses and Income for 2022 both exceeded budget due to many unforeseen post pandemic circumstances. Board did excellent job on adjusting to meet needs.
6. Treasury has adequate amount of money to meet nonprofit status with 6 months of operating expenses on hand.

Charlene thanked Laura for providing her auditing expertise to the MPLN board.

**Old Business and Events:**

- Bring A Friend: Event went very well and met costs and expenses. The goal is to encourage new members to join MPLN with one new person joining. Donations including cash and checks totaled \$856 went directly to SBCO the designated charity. Raffle total was \$445 with payouts of \$220 to 11 winners with \$225 available additionally for SBCO. Discussion regarding whether to match the \$225 for SBCO with an additional \$225 from the treasury. Motion and carried to approve additional \$225 from treasury for a total of \$450 to SBCO. There was \$27 left over from prize money and that amount was approved to go to SBCO charity. Mulligan sales totaled \$138. Discussion followed regarding giving this money to the charity, adding it to treasury, or tabling decision until all expenses are in from event. Thus far total to SBCO is \$1333.

- Club Championship: Linda M reported the event is scheduled for April 4 and 11. Lunch is planned after event on 4/11. Event flyers to be coming soon. Sign up deadline is April 1. There will be follow the field signup as well. Default tees are Yellow. Those members who will play Red tees must let pairings know of tee preference prior to event. MPLN members and participants will be encouraged to attend the awards luncheon on April 11.

#### **New Business:**

- New club shirts: Rita reported her committee including Donna, and Barbara have met with Mike the Pro to discuss various golf shirt companies. Requests have been made for shirts to be less form fitting and options for short and long sleeves or jackets. Goal is to chose color and fabric that will remain in style and keep cost reasonable for members.
- Sponsors Event Fall 2023: Donna reported she and Joyce D have been working on various ideas such as a September "meet and greet cocktail party". Discussion followed as to logistics for planning the event including selecting date, room reservation, and menu. Kathy reported \$600 has been budgeted for this event. Sponsors committee will take the numerous comments/suggestions made into consideration for planning event. Other suggestions: Sponsors committee to send quarterly hand written thank you notes to sponsors. Sample presented to board. Consensus of board was that this was a very good idea. Joyce D asked for clarification as to what Sponsor money is used for. Kathy reported club is maintained by sponsor money and dues to benefit the members including website maintenance, advertising, events, awards. Main benefit for sponsor is visibility of services and marketing to members. Donna asked if further visibility for sponsors could be added to leader board in Mesquite Grill. She will be meeting with administration on cost and availability of leader board advertising. Donna and Joyce D were commended for their involvement on this committee.
- Golf committee: Marcy sent report she is working with 18 hole women's group to encourage better women's merchandise in Pro shop.

#### **Committee Reports**

- Pairings: Linda reported on Career day. Players that day will be paired with people with similar careers. MPLN Website has been updated for next 2 quarters to show games and pairings information. Fore Tees is updated weekly to show signups for upcoming 4 weeks.
- AGA: Helen reported she didn't attend the event due to bad weather. Rita has received 2 more AGA rules books. Helen will be sending any communications from AGA during her summer absence to Charlene with updates then posted to website. Dates are set for 2023 State Medallion qualifying golf rounds. First round has been played.
- Webmaster: Joyce S reported domain of Go Daddy has been paid for 2 more years. Rita asked if photos on website are encrypted. Joyce will investigate privacy issues with Go Daddy.
- Outside Invitationals: Mary reported Highlands Invitational on 3/14 included alternates giving more members an opportunity to play.
- Social: Diann reported food for next event is complete.
- Publicity: Eileen has submitted articles to SaddleBrooke newspapers for recent events.
- Partners for Par: New member has been assigned. Two others are pending.
- Par Ringer: No report
- Membership: Rita reported 1 new member. Another new member will be handicap only.
- Sponsors and Signs: Covered in prior Sponsor events section.

- Handicaps: Marla reported Louise has fallen and unable to attend. Linda will send a Get Well card.
- Rules: Kay commented that members are continuing to hit the wrong ball. She requested for members to announce ball being played on first tee and to mark balls. There are discrepancies on how markers are placed on the green.

**Open Discussion:** Conversation and comments made by various members of board regarding signage and rules.

**Adjournment:** Motion made and carried to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 2:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted by  
Sandra Barney