



Minutes of the SIR State Golf Committee Meeting, via Zoom

3-1-24

The meeting was called to order via Zoom at 3:00 P.M.

1. **State Golf Committee:**

a. Members present:

Ben Gikis (BG)	Mark Stuart (MS)
Don Mattson (DM)	Butch Evans (BE)
Roger Smith (RG)	Mike Kearns (MK)

b. Members absent:

Gary Smith (GS)

c. The above list is incomplete and will be updated.

2. **Minutes:** The submitted minutes of the 2-9-24 meeting were approved unanimously.

3. **Treasurer:** (BG) advised that (DM) had been nominated as the Committee Treasurer and moved that he be approved. The motion was seconded by (MK). The motion was approved unanimously.

4. **Treasurer's Report:**

a. (DM) The current balance is \$6653 primarily from the entries to the Napa tournament.

b. The informal audit of the accounts from 2023 was good.

- c. (MS) A bill from Adobe for software to support the committee website is to be paid. The payment will be reimbursed by the State.
5. **Revision to Golf Manual:** The proposed revision to the Golf Policy Manual submitted by (GS) was tabled by the motion of (MS) until the next meeting due to the absence of (GS).
6. **Tournaments:**
- a. **Napa:**
 - 1. (BG) Reported that there are currently 49 entries to day two at Eagle Vines and 40 for day one at Chardonnay.
 - 2. 100 entries are expected. The minimum for Eagle Vines is 80.
 - 3. There is sufficient help for the tournament.
 - 4. (MS) Do we need course marshalls? (BE) That is a good question. Perhaps ladies could marshall.
 - b. **Reno: (BG)**
 - 1. The contract is signed. A deposit of \$1,500 is due in April.
 - 2. A banquet is being planned. The best meal would run about \$75 per plate. The target is \$50 pp.
 - d. **Team Championship: (BG)**
 - 1. Players will go off in split tees at 9:30. The course will stop non-tournament play at 7:00.
 - 2. (MS) We need people there from 5:30 to 5:00 or 6:00.
 - e. **Carson City: (BG)** The hotel is holding 50 rooms. More rooms can be added on.
 - f. **Fall Classic:**
 - 1. (MS) Flyers are ready to go and the contract is signed.
 - 2. (MK) He has four tournament hosts lined up.
 - 3. (MK) Questions: On the scramble. Are the tees still based on the player's handicap? Yes, the index split is on the state website.

4. (MK) There is a letter agreement signed and the only paperwork not completed is a Pace of Play Agreement.

6. **Rules:** (BG)

- a. Four-man two best ball:
 1. Tees are handicap-based.
 2. Players without handicaps may play but their scores will not count. The teams with non-scoring players will have blind draws but all players are eligible for the Closest to the Pin awards.
 3. (BG) will try to form teams of non-scoring players.
 4. (MS) Ladies usually use the Callaway scoring system.
- b. Scramble: All teams use at least 3 and no more than 6 tee shots per player.
 3. (MS) Suggested we continue the open format. That would accommodate 144 golfers. There was a consensus that it worked last year.
 4. The cost will be approximately \$70-\$75 per round. SIR cost will be \$55-\$60 per round.

7. **Area Meetings:** There was no input about Area Meetings.

8. **Miscellaneous:**

- a. (BG) In the past there have been golf trips to various places. Do we want to think about golf trips to various sites in the future?
- b. Open Positions: (BG) We have three open positions on the Golf Committee, Policy Chairman, Operations Chairman, and NCGA Liaison.
 1. (MS) Regional Chairmen. We may need them if we go back to Regional Qualifiers. (MK) The open format worked out well last year. (DM) We should not change back from last year.
 2. (MS) We have 2250 golfers.
- c. (MS) said Pete Morelli put the indexes for all players on the state golf website under the title "Team Championship, August Tournament."

- d. The next meeting will be on the first Friday in April at 3:00.
- e. (MS) will send out the menu information for the Reno Tournament.
- f. (BG) There will only be an informal “welcome” activity for Reno and probably Carson City. (MS) We need to make that clear. The Reno hotel will be doing the hotel booking.
- g. A list of hotels will be sent out for the Napa Tournament.
- h. If we are still thinking of sending out a survey to SIR golfers regarding the operations of the State Committee, (MS) would like questions to be submitted.
- i. A general discussion followed regarding tournaments in various locations. (BE) volunteered to begin to plan a tournament in the Fresno area in May. He will research the feasibility of such a tournament and report back to the committee.
- j. (MK) His branch, #98 typically has 3 foursomes play Napa.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 P.M.