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Topstone Men's Club
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
June 9, 2020

Location: Conference Call

Attendees: Brent Colby, Al Cusson, Joe Staszowski, Keith Percy, Steven Migneault, Dave Romano , Kurt LaFlamme , Simon Muska, Paul St. Onge, Tim Berger, Philip Richards, Jeff Beyer

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Brent

1. Approval of the May 6, 2020 minutes:

- The May 6th minutes were unanimously approved.

1. Membership Report:

- The current membership is 270 with an additional 16 associate members. This total does not include the superintendent and assistant superintendent who are given a complementary membership (w/o a punch card). Other club employees can play in Mens club events but need to pay the GHIN fee. Brent will confirm with Dave Ziter who is the assistant superintendent.

2. Membership Communications Report:

- An email will be sent to members showing who is currently above and below the cut line for the match play events.
- A future email will be sent to members explaining the current Topstone Facebook group. .

3. Tournament Committee:

- Simon discussed issues created with separate signups for the 2 Man Best Ball Championship and the weekend events. Some members signed up for both events. Jeff is sorting out the signups, but this process will be reconsidered for future events to eliminate the problem.
- The last weekend for match play qualifying is June 13-14.
- Ringers setup is ongoing with the first publication of standings by the end of June.
- Simon has been auditing tournament signups and found several issues regarding nonmembers being signed up for non-open events. Simon has communicated the non-compliant signups to Jeff. If member questions arise, they should contact mensclub@topstonegc.com with comments/questions. Most members eventually bring their signups into compliance, but a unified approach between the board and the Golf Shop should be implemented. Members need to come to the Board vs the Golf Shop with Mens club issues.
- With the Spring banquet cancelled due to covid-19 and the start of the tournaments delayed, distribution on punch cards were given out on the first tee and in the Pro Shop. An audit will be conducted to make sure no one received more than one punch card.
- Kyle was slated to help Simon with tournament related work, but with his resignation, Brent asked and Al & Tim volunteered to help Simon with tournament committee related work.

4. Handicap and Rules Report:

- Dave (working with Kurt)) has tentatively deactivated members, who have not joined this year, in the GHIN system. This list will be finalized before the 2020 handicap bill deadline.
- Dave indicated that pace of play has not been an issue so far this year mainly due to the 10 minute tee times and one person to a cart. Dave suggested and the board agreed not to implement the pace of play policy at this time. If conditions change, this decision will be revisited.

5. Treasurer's report:

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- Keith indicated some items funded in prior years would need to be reduced/ cut this year to bring the 2020 budget in line with the Board's goals... Keith proposed and after discussion of several options that the staff gifts, Board outing and ½ of the 4 man best ball championship subsidy be removed from the budget. Keith indicated that the budget is for planning purposes and can be increased or reduced depending on how this year's revenue and expenses play out.
- Self-funding major events will be discussed later this year as a way to reduce future annual dues to members.
- The board agreed to keep the spring banquet expense in the budget. A decision will be made regarding a cookout, meal voucher or something else to replace the banquet at the July meeting.

6. Professional Report:

- Jeff indicated the course will not be installing cup ball extractors due to cost and likelihood normal pin procedures will be able to be used in the near future.
- Jeff also asked that members be informed to pay for tee games in cash going forward to reduce credit card fees.

7. Old/New Business.

- A member who has played in one Mens Club event has asked for a refund of his 2020 dues because he has joined another club. The handbook clearly stated no dues refund will be given (at times memberships have been deferred till the next year for medical reasons). The board voted to deny the request for a refund. The member can continue to play in Mens club events in 2020.

Adjournment: Meeting ended at 9:10 pm.

Next meeting date: Tuesday July 7, location TBD

Respectfully submitted by Joe Staszowski.