

Topstone Men's Club
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
July 8, 2020

Location: Topstone Club House

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm by Brent

1. Approval of the June 9, 2020 minutes:

- The June 9th minutes were approved as revised.

2. Membership Report:

- The current membership is 278 with an additional 22 associate members.
- The Board agreed to again offer a mid-season rate. The cost will be \$125 w/o a punch card beginning August 1.

3. Membership Communications Report:

- The board discussed including a discussion of frequently misunderstood rules in emails to members (around 6 times per year). Jeff agreed to help with the explanations if needed. The timing of the first rules' discussion is yet to be determined.
- The next email to members will promote the Senior, Super Senior, Legends Championships; 4 Man championship and Topstone Mens Club's Facebook page.

4. Tournament Committee:

- Several match play matches are behind schedule. Players have been contacted to schedule their matches.
- The tournament committee indicated that Pete Pires' partner in the match play event inquired if he could pick a replacement partner. The committee indicated that he would have to offer the spot to those who missed qualifying for the event (starting from the first person missing the cut). This process will be added to the membership handbook.
- The board discussed and agreed that a member begins Ringers at the point they pay their membership fee.
- Tim is continuing to review the signups for members entering TBD vs specific names. The signups have improved in this regard. Tim is contacting those that continue to include TBD to remind them specific player's names are required.
- The punch card audit is continuing. Simon indicated he will be asking some board members for help.
- The interclub event will be held August 29-30. Signups begin August 3.
- The board discussed and agreed the guest policy needs clarification. The purpose of the policy is to protect member tee times, permit non-members to participate in Men's Club events as a trial and to permit members to play with non-member friends on a limited basis. The board unanimously approved the following motion
 - All events will be open except those labeled as "Restricted"
 - Restricted events will be our majors, Interclub, Intraclub, GKR and any other special events so noted on the tournament schedule
 - GKR will be opened to guests if the event is not filled by members
 - See below for Table of Restricted events for the remainder of the 2020 Season
 - There is no limit on the number of guests that a member can invite in a year, though members can only bring one guest per event. Use this as an opportunity to pitch the club to your friends and earn an incentive round for each referral that you make.
 - Each guest can participate in only (2) Men's Club events per year.
 - A guest can play in (2) events total, not (2) invitations per member.

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- Guest participation will be monitored as a part of the weekly tee sheet audit. The auditor will contact members if there are situations that do not comply with this policy. The Board of Directors reserves the right to cancel tee times for violations of this policy that go unanswered.
- Special exemptions to this policy will be considered with prior approval from the board. Special requests should be addressed by email to mensclub@topstonegc.com.

Additionally, after tee sheets are created, the Golf Shop will communicate available spots to the membership on Thursday before the event. Any gaps within the tee sheet not filled by close of business on Thursday can be filled by the Golf Shop at their discretion. This element of the policy will be available to the Golf Shop but will not be communicated to the membership as a component of the policy.

4. Handicap and Rules Report:

- Dave has completed updating our membership in the GHIN system.

5. Treasurer's report:

- Keith could not make the meeting, but in discussions with Brent, indicated the budget is on track and no changes are warranted at this time
- The Board discussed and decided that the best way to replace the spring banquet was to disposition funds to as many members as possible. Men's Club members as of July 31, 2020 will receive \$10 in restaurant credit to be used any time between August 1 and October 1. This can be used for food and/or drink. Members will only need to give their name to restaurant staff, who will have a list of members.

6. Professional Report:

- Jeff indicated that the CSGA announced that 2 golfers may now share a golf cart. Jeff has given everyone a grace period to adjust to this change and going forward will require golfers to ride together. Those who still prefer to ride alone will be assessed an additional fee to cover costs.

7. Old/New Business.

- Brent is continuing to investigate the use of online dues payments.

Adjournment: Meeting ended at 7:50 pm.

Next meeting date: Early August, date TBD

Respectfully submitted by Joe Staszowski.