

**ROSSMOOR WOMEN'S 18 HOLE GOLF CLUB  
BOARD MEETING  
JANUARY 10, 2022**

**THE ZOOM MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 8:30AM BY CAPTAIN, DAISY SOO HOO.**

Present: Daisy Soo Hoo, Kathy Hunt, Mary Jean Kidd, Lana Yagle, [Joan](#) Binnings, Laura Kim, Claudia Terry, Stella Chan, Toni Snyder, Joyce McCann, Agnes Shin, Theresa Kim, Robin Moreau, Teddi Swanson, Denise Pratt. Janice Davis joined later. Absent: Ann Hamilton

The minutes from the Board Meeting of Nov. 8, 2021 were approved by *Claudia* and seconded by *Toni*.

**Captain:** *Daisy appreciated everyone getting their reports in and asked that going forward all Board members read through the reports prior to the Board Meetings. This will speed up our meetings.*

*Daisy's report as follows:*

- Denise Pratt will be Publicity Co-Chair.
- Feb 10 Launch Event. Janice, Agnes, Linda Ingalls and I will start planning for the Feb 10 Launch party. These are the following the tables at the Launch event: Stella Chan Open Day, Joyce Rules, Joan and Lana Birdies/Eclectic table, East Bay Team Play Daisy and Ann. Should have info soon so article can be submitted to Rossmoor News.
- Received this message from Ed O'Dea: "I am the new president of the RMGC and I am reaching out to see what your thoughts are on the two systems mentioned above which are being considered for 2022. Several of our "experts" (John McDonnell, etc.) are recommending that we use Golf Genius for another year since Blue Golf is a bit rudimentary at the moment. Two of the members of the pro shop staff are taking the Blue Golf training this week -Brent and Wayne and we don't have their thoughts yet.Mark seems clear that it is up to the clubs as to which system they want to use next year. One of the issues is the cost which is \$3100 for Golf Genius for the coming year – payable March 1st. The pro shop won't participate in the cost and the men's club is reluctant to pay for all of it as it did in 2021. I am told that there roughly 600 golfers in our groups with RMGC being the largest at 300 plus. So it is roughly \$5 per golfer for the Golf Genius system which could collected a number of ways including a dollar or two from each player in various tournaments?I would appreciate your thoughts on how we could collaborate on this system. We are having a board meeting next Monday which will include a discussion of this item. Perhaps we could meet later or before?"

**Treasurer:** *Mary Jean's* report shows as of 1/1/22:

Bank BALANCE		13716.85
Hole in One Reserve	1346.00	12370.85
Projected Expenses	10424.00	1944.85 reserves

We have identified a list of improvements to current budget management including:

- a) assessing "sweeps" budget (how much should we be budgeting?)
- b) refining budget to include guest days and invitationals
- c) posting general ledger and budget trackers to shared document space (cloud)

Mary Jean will send the budget worksheet to all Board Members and it can also go in "Doc Storage" on the website.

**Past Captain:** *Janice* renewed Zoom subscription in her name for 2022. Going forward it will be the Captain's responsibility to renew the subscription and hold it in their name.

The Year End Wrap Up will be placed on the website.

It was explained that the general membership will have to vote at the next General Meeting and approve of any changes to the by-laws; the board *does* propose changing verbiage in Article IV to: "The Board of Directors shall be composed of four officers to be elected by the Membership (Captain, Co-Captain, Secretary and Treasurer); and members appointed as Standing Committee Chairs by the Captain with the approval of the elected officers. **This includes and is not limited to the following:** Tournament, Handicap, Membership, Rules, Social, Publicity, GAC rep, Team Play Captain, Past Captain, NCGA Club Ambassador, and Tech Committee."

**Website:** *Claudia's report as follows:* Nothing to report other than to say we are plugging away with the maintenance of the site. All 2021 business such as board minutes and year-end results from the Holiday Party (eclectic winners, Charm winner, etc.) have been uploaded to their respective archives. We're working on uploading the new slate of board

members today and new pages have been created to receive the 2022 board meeting minutes and the news articles for 2022. Not much else being uploaded recently for obvious reason

*Claudia* will send a blast out to all members to remind them about the website and all the good info it contains, and will include a link to make it easy. (Note: the "gallery" has some great photos).

**Technical Committee:** *Laura's report as follows:* The formation of a Technical Committee was approved at the November 2021 Board Meeting. This is the description to include in the By-Laws which requires membership approval at the next General Meeting. (Note: Articles V and VI are all of the officers and chairs. Items b and e do not name specific software (Blue Golf, Golf Genius, Zoom, etc.) because these can change year-to-year.) Please review for the meeting.

#### Section 11 TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (Draft)

- a. Provide ongoing website content and support for all areas outlined in Articles V and VI. Responsible for annual license renewal.
- b. Responsible for selection of Tournament Management software to support Thursday tournaments with online registration, tournament formats, scorecards, posting scores, payouts, and reports. Provide training to the membership on the new technology.
- c. Responsible for 18er eblast postings for the membership. Keep membership contact information current. Provide membership with annual directory listing.
- d. Create and maintain a document storage repository for all vital and original records of importance (by-laws, membership forms, tournament procedures, etc.). Provide access to all Board members.
- e. Assist the Board with any new technologies that are introduced. Evaluate and recommend software products as requested.

**BlueGolf and Golf Genius Overview.** Testing of BlueGolf, which is the new Tournament Management software selected by NCGA, has been ongoing for the past month. It is a free option for NCGA clubs to use **but not mandated** as clubs can choose any tournament management software they want. The big limitation in moving to BlueGolf is that it only supports single sign-ups for tournament registration. Our players would no longer have the option to put their foursomes together which would require an extra intervention step to make this happen (either through our Tournament chairs or Jacque). BlueGolf is also very limited in many other areas (portal and website support, reporting functions, Knowledge Base) in comparison to Golf Genius.

RMGC will most likely remain with Golf Genius in 2022 and is looking to for buy-in with the other clubs. The license is \$3000. Cost would be divided among the clubs at \$5 per user, approximately \$500 for the 18ers (100 users) for 2022. If we continue to use Golf Genius in 2023, an increase in membership dues to cover the license would probably be required OR we fund raise through tournament fees and special events in 2022.

The Board needs to discuss and determine the Tournament Management direction for 2022. Can the Treasurer (welcome MaryJean!) give us an overview of the financial impact this would have on the 2022 budget?

There was much discussion on the merits (and the weaknesses) of both Blue Golf and Golf Genius tournament management software, and as a group it appears we are leaning toward continuing with Golf Genius this year. (Blue Golf is free, but entails learning a new system, however, it only support single player signups. Golf Genius is a more robust system, and we all know how to use it.) The suggestion was made for the Club to pay our share of the Golf Genius license *this* year, but for an increase in dues (\$5) next year to cover our club's share of the \$3,100 cost. *Robin* should have more info about this after talking with RMGC and 9ers reps at meeting on Friday. Note: shortly after our zoom meeting, the 9ers committed to going with Golf Genius, and we (the 18ers) will follow suit.

**Tournaments:** *Joan's report as follows:* March schedule for tournaments will be updated on event schedule: Mar 3 First Day of Play. Aces Wild. Subtract 1 from net score for each one putt. 10 Mar ABCD-2 Low Net. 17 Mar...Mutt, Jeff, and Sally. Scores from par 3's and par 5's; Sally throws out the worst hole...1/2 hdcp. Lana and I will be meeting next week to discuss future tournaments with Denise's input to fill in the schedule. We also want to okay the formats with the pro shop to be sure they are able to do the scoring and posting without too much extra labor. We are looking forward to a fun year and witnessing lots of great shots! Joan reported that we will not have a "Hi-Low" tournament as this format was very unpopular with the higher handicappers last year.

After much discussion around raising the Chip-In buy in to \$1.00 (proposed half going to payouts, and half to donate to charity), it was decided to leave it as it is at \$0.50, and pursue other fundraising options. Denise will send out info on forming a fund raising committee. Having a bake sale was also discussed.

**Handicap:** Theresa's report as follows: Handicap report:

*I reviewed all 80 member records for the 18er Index comparison with USGA index.*

*- We have 9 members who have greater than 4+ 18er Index. One particular member has 10.4 +.*

*She plays at Creekside and played only one Thursday tournament.*

*-We have 4 members with - Index greater than -2 18er Index.*

*One member has -4.6 18er Index*

*-We have 4 members with 0 discrepancy between 18er Index and USGA Index.*

*The board needs to discuss how to adjust the discrepancies and implement Thursday tournaments.*

*PS: + Index means played worse on Thursday tournaments*

*- Index means played better on Thursday tournaments.*

*We need to discuss how we want to adjust and implement to our Thursday Tournament.*

Theresa led discussion around what to do about the discrepancies between Thursday 18er Tournament index and USGA index (used for EBTP). Theresa and the handicap committee will meet separately and come up with a plan. All Board members were asked to give this some thought and come up with ideas of how to solve this problem (issues with both sandbaggers and vanity handicappers and how it affects Thursday play)

**Membership:** Teddi reported that at the time of this meeting, our members total 94.

**Rules:** Joyce's report as follows: A 2 ½ day in person NCGA Rules Seminar is planned for M-W March 7th to 9th at Round Hill CC, virus permitting. These seminars are intensive – from 8a to 5p for two days, and then ½ a day on the 3rd day that includes an optional test. Deadline for registration is March 1st. Anyone who thinks they might want to become a Rules nerd should attend at least one of these. The cost is \$215, which includes breakfasts and lunches. Alternatively, For \$10, you can also watch the 2021 NCGA Online Rules Workshop online. You can find more info on these at [NCGA.org/Rules](http://NCGA.org/Rules).

2. Should the yellow penalty stakes on the green side of #10 be changed to red?

Currently, there are yellow penalty stakes on both the tee- and green-sides of the creek on #10. I discussed with Mark whether the green-side stakes should be changed to red for the following reason. With the current situation, if your ball hits the ground on the green side of the creek, but then bounces back into the creek, you have to walk back over to the tee side of the creek and you only have two penalty relief options: 1) Go back on a line as far as you want from the flag and where your ball last crossed into the penalty area; or 2) Go back to where you hit the shot that went into the creek and hit again (stroke and distance). However, if those green-side penalty stakes were red, you would have a 3rd option – lateral penalty relief. This would mean you would not have to walk back over to the tee side of the creek, but could drop your ball within 2-club lengths no nearer the hole from where it last crossed into the penalty area. I think this makes sense. Mark is not against the idea, but wants approval from an NCGA Rules person. So, I'm suggesting we wait for the Rules Seminar in August and see what the experts think. What does the Board think? will not be attending the Rules Seminar as she has participated in so many in the past. She reminded us to check the "Rules Corner" on the website for lots of good info!

There is NCGA Online Rules Workshop for \$10 at [www.NCGA.org/rules](http://www.NCGA.org/rules).

Discussion was held regarding changing the yellow penalty stakes on #10 & #14 to red stakes. Adding a third option (lateral relief) will speed up play. It was ultimately suggested that Joyce contact her "rules person" Susanne to get her input. Additionally, 2 USGA officials will be here in August for the Rules Seminar and we can get their opinions.

**East Bay Team Play:** Ann and Daisy no comments/discussion

But their report states that due to the popularity of EBTP, they have decided to ask members that are interesting in participating to sign up to be on the team. Members will tell us which dates they are not available. This will hopefully make it easier to manage the matches. In the past, there have been as many 15 members signing up for one match. Five players would be selected and notifications would have to be sent to the other 10 members not selected.

**Golf Advisory:** no report as GAC meets on Friday.

**Social:** *Agnes* no report

**Open Day:** *Stella* reminded us that sign ups are due by Jan. 14 for the 4 Open Days scheduled in May. *Stella* (through *Laura*) will send out a blast with a list of *all* Open Days scheduled this year, highlighting those closest to us (w/in 1 hr). The blast will include links for closest locations and how to sign up, as well as a reminder that if there is not enough participation in Open Days, they may go away... "use it or lose it"!

**Publicity:** *Denise* will handle the week-to-week publicity. *Janice* will handle the "human interest" stories, and asked us all for suggestions (good golf stories, recent golf trips, interesting people in our group, especially those with diverse backgrounds/cultures...).

**Ambassador:** *Toni*'s report is as follows:

- There is a tentative 2022 tournament calendar on the NCGA website for anyone interested.
- NCGA renewals are due by January 14th.
- There is a new campaign to help members who are new to golf or new'ish'. It is called the 'helpful learner campaign' and offers golf mini clinic series that can be taken at your own pace. This is also available on the NCGA website.
- The NCGA is supporting a new tournament management system for 2022 called 'blue golf'.
- There is a new campaign to help members who are new (or "newish") to golf, called the "Helpful Learner Campaign", offering mini clinics taken at your own pace, available on the NCGA website.

**New Business/Spring Fling:** *Stella* will work with 9ers on this as it is a joint effort. It will be 18 holes, played on Dollar Course, with lunch and fashion show.

**The Launch Party will be on Feb. 10, and the next Board Meeting will be on Feb. 14.**

At this point, I was logged off the Zoom meeting...I think perhaps everyone was... so I will assume the meeting was adjourned at 10:10am.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Kathy Hunt**, Recording Secretary