**RANCHO LAS PALMAS MEN’S CLUB**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

**NOVEMBER 07, 2023**

President Rod Hamilton called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 1:00 PM on November 07, 2023.

Members present: Rod Hamilton, Ben Weaver, Mark Campbell, Randy James, Freddy Fisher, Ed Nedin, Lennie Schwartz, Mike Gilliam, Danny Hall & George Bancroft

**MINUTES FROM THE PRIOR MEETING:**

Randy James made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 06, 2023, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mark Campbell and was approved unanimously.

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT:**

Rod Hamilton reported that our suggestion for a volunteer marshal program will not happen. Omni needs to reimburse the marshals and thus it would be in violation of some California law that about employment. Rod has suggested that Omni place placards in every Omni cart outlining the rules of the course. Rod also advised that Lennie Schwartz is going to resign as our handicap chairperson. He asked everyone to start thinking about a replacement. There will be a training session at the end of January at the Thunderbird Country Club for handicap volunteers. Rod mentioned that Jeff Blumer has been banned from the Country Club for not paying for golf rounds and being abusive to Omni employees. Jeff has asked for the Men’s Club to help, but the Men’s Club has no rights regarding Omni decisions. Rod has started discussions with Omni about the pricing of the Horserace for pay to play members.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**VICE PRESIDENT REPORT:** Ben Weaver is working on the 3-day Member Guest Tournament scheduled for March 7th to the 9th. The theme will be the Desert Classic and the cost will be around $500 per team.

**TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR’S REPORT:** Mark Campbell advised that our first major will be the Classic Tournament in November. This is an all-net tournament. He has scheduled a Veterans day tournament where members will play for different branches of the Military.

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Also, the Friendsgiving tournament has sold out with 60 players. Mark has scheduled a Bah Humbug Tournament and a Ryder Cup Tournament in December.

**MEMBER AT LARGE REPORT:** Tony Powell reported that we have sold 36 flags and have generated $9,900 for the Club. Tony will have all the Trophies finished by next week. Tony is working on the Men’s Away Trip for next spring and is leaning towards Soboba Resort.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** Steve Whitaker was absent from the meeting.

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:** Tom Ottoson was absent from the meeting.

**HANDICAP REPORT:** Lennie Schwartz advised that he is planning to resign as soon as a replacement is found. An SCGA seminar is scheduled for the end of January at the Thunderbird Country Club the end of January for Club volunteers. Lennie is working on the possibility of posting some scores.

**HORSE RACE COMMITTEE:** Ed Nedin advised that everything is going great, and we have 17 teams signed up for next week.

**RULES COMMITTEE:** Brett Almquist was absent from the meeting.

**WEBSITE CHAIRMAN REPORT:** George Bancroft mentioned that we should send any reports or flyers to him so he can post on the website. George mentioned that we had over 40 visits to the website last month.

**GREENS COMMITTEE:** Randy James advised that after the overseeding is over he will be arranging our monthly divot days. Randy wants members to place the rakes in the traps parallel to play. He will be soliciting members for the Adopt a Hole program in the near future. Randy advised that Omni is not happy with the members parking close to the greens and asked us to try to get the members to stop it. Also, Omni has some new Out of Bounds markers.

**HUMANITARIAN REPORT:** Danny Hall said that we have $865 in the find. He is planning to have two closest to the pins each month.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Rod Hamilton is working on a special golf cart day. The cart barn staff will wash our golf carts for $20 and the staff will keep $15, and the Men’s Club will get $5.

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Danny Hall at 1:57 PM to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Randy James and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Gilliam Rod Hamilton

Secretary President