



# Free State Seniors Golf Association

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## Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors

23 July 2020

The Free State Seniors Golf Association Board of Directors met on July 23, 2020, at Rolling Road Country Club. President Jim Horn called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. with board members Bill Stricker, Jim Foster, Gary Kramer, Mike Kurylo, Tony Errera, Bruce Cowan, Charlie Mergler, and Mike Myirski present. A motion made by Mike Kurylo to approve the minutes, as amended, from the June 17, 2020 meeting, was seconded by Gary Kramer and approved unanimously.

### **Treasurer's Report – Mike Kurylo**

Prior to the meeting Gary Manion provided spread sheets (Attachment 1).

Mike Kurylo reported that the organization is \$1600 more favorable than this time last year despite decreased membership. However, this surplus is primarily owing to Bill Stricker's gracious offer to defer two rental payments. The annual dues is less \$2220 due to 37 fewer members.

Mike reported that we have 1.3 calendar years of cash, the lowest level in years. This represents a 30% decrease from the previous 5year average.

Overall, despite these trying times, Mike reported the organization is in good shape financially.

Jim Foster discussed a hypothetical of another 10% reduction in membership next year, but the finances should allow the organization to manage.

A motion made by Bruce Cowan to approve the Treasurer's Report, was seconded by Gary Kramer and approved unanimously.

### **Executive Secretary's Report – Bill Stricker**

Bill reported that we have 4 more members, bringing the current total to 159 paid members.

Bill reported that the tournament at Musket Ridge was successful with 84 players, especially considering it was the first tournament in the pandemic crisis. Bill reported difficulty in paying winners from the birdie pool, since many winners had returned home following their round with the non-shotgun start. Gift cards were mailed to winners. Bill recommended, and the Board agreed, not to run a birdie pool at the July tournament.

Bill reported we have 100 players scheduled for the University of Maryland tournament. However, the course has only 70 carts. Bill previously requested that players double-up on carts and to date has 30 players willing to do so. Jim Horn is scheduled for the first tee time to conduct the scoring.

Bill reported a potential problem with carts for the Norbeck tournament. Norbeck has 55 carts. Bill will followup with Norbeck closer to the tournament date on options, considering the pandemic rules are in flux.

The Past Presidents tournament is also scheduled for Norbeck. Due to the inability to socialize this year, Bill recommended, and the Board approved, to re-schedule this event to spring 2021.

Bill reported that normally he would be scheduling events for next year, but cannot do so due to the pandemic.

Bill reported that he needs to order new bag tags, given as gifts to new members. As a costs savings, Bill recommended that we combine the purchase with the gift to be provided to players at next year's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary tournament. The Board approved.

Bill reported that the \$1400 deposit for the cancelled South River event has not been returned. Bill is in contact with South River on the status.

#### **Golf Committee – Jim Foster**

Jim reported that most winners had posted their scores from Musket Ridge, and when reminded, the remainder did so as well.

After a discussion on lightning safety, it was decided that the University of Maryland pro make an announcement as a reminder.

#### **Wally Engle Committee – Jim Horn**

The Wally Engle tournament has started. Unfortunately, Musket Ridge has forfeited due to a lack of players. The next round is scheduled for completion by 31 August.

#### **Planning Committee – Mike Kurylo**

NTR

#### **Nominating Committee – Mike Myirski**

A discussion was held about extending the term of all current Board members in light of the difficulty of managing the organization in the pandemic. Due to the current coronavirus health emergency, and consistent with language found in Article III, paragraph D of Free State's By-laws, the board approved a motion by Gary Kramer and seconded by Bruce Cowan to extend by one additional year, the terms of each board member. The Board approved with no objections.

#### **Membership and Publicity Committee – Bruce Cowan**

Bruce mentioned the need for short and long-term planning to increase membership in these trying times. Potential solutions include discounts on membership, allowing more guests, and increased publicity about the organization.

#### **Distinguished Seniors Committee – Gary Kramer**

NTR

#### **Audit Committee – Tony Errera**

NTR

#### **Web Master – Ed Baur (not in attendance)**

#### **Old Business**

NTR

#### **New Business**

NTR

A motion made by Charlie Mergler to adjourn the meeting, was seconded by Tony Errera, and approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 am.

The next meeting is scheduled August 20, 2020.