

## PALO ALTO GOLF CLUB GENERAL MEETING

### **MINUTES**

Date: January 5, 2017  
Time: 5:00 pm  
Location: Palo Alto Golf Course  
Attendees: Gordy Cole, Ross Erickson, John Osness, Bob Booth, Ed Barkley, James Kaku, Ray Piontek, Chuck Pickett, Trevor Heathorn, Ken Arends, Bill Dolan  
Absent: Rich Bin, Greg Val

- The meeting was called to order by President Bob Booth. Minutes from the December 2016 meeting were adopted.

New board members Trevor Heathorn and Ken Arends were welcomed. New board member Doug Marinkovich was absent. Outgoing board members Ross Erickson and Gordy Cole were thanked for their service over the past three years.

John Frykland was appointed to fill out the term of board member Greg Val who has moved. Bill Dolan, the fourth member on the 2017 ballot, arrived late. Discussion about his seating on the board was postponed until later.

Bob Booth (President), James Kaku (Vice-President) and Ed Barkley (Treasurer) were elected to board positions. Other positions will be voted on at a later meeting.

- Treasurer  
Expenditures in December for \$2415.78 were approved by the Board. The net income for 2016 came in at \$285.93 better than budget projections. The checking account balance on 12/31 was \$4338.93.

The preliminary 2017 budget was discussed with adoption postponed to the February meeting pending further input and discussion. Return of abandoned tournament prize money on pro shop books to the club treasury was discussed.

- Handicap  
There were no handicap revisions for the month. Handicap Chairman Ray Piontek shared several interesting statistical reports about player performance and participation during 2016.
- Membership  
Membership at the end of 2016 was 208 members. Renewals for 2017 total 173. Total membership on January 1 (including honorary and junior members) is 189.
- Tournament  
Chuck Pickett noted that the schedule is complete and that carts will be included in the tournament fees for all events. James Kaku will be running the New Member Tournament at Sunnyvale and Two Man Scramble at Spring Valley.

The tradition of buying lunches for new members who play in the New Member Tournament was changed to providing each a sleeve of golf balls since the restaurant at Sunnyvale is closed.

Due to the reduced number of members, the Tournament of Champions policy was amended to take the top 28 players from the year-long points list.

- **Course Update**  
Course is closed for renovation. Head Pro Rich Bin indicated that the opening of the new course is still not certain and that the club should not plan on holding any tournaments on it in 2017.
- **Other Business**  
No other business was discussed.  
Next meeting is February 2, 2017.