

PALO ALTO GOLF CLUB GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES

Date: February 1, 2018
Time: 5:00 pm
Location: Palo Alto Golf Course
Attendees: Bob Booth, Chuck Pickett, Trevor Heathorn, John Frykland, James Kaku, John Harris, Ken Arends
Absent: Rich Bin, David Farwell, Dominic Ascani, Ed Barkley, Doug Marinkovich

- The meeting was called to order by President Bob Booth. Minutes from the January, 2018, board meeting were adopted without change. James Kaku was asked to fill the vacancy created when Dominic Ascani resigned after attending the first board meeting following his election.
- Treasurer
Treasurer Ed Barkley was out of town but provided a preliminary budget that the board discussed in terms of how to prevent the projected bank balance at the end of the year from falling too low. The proposal was to adjust the numbers associated with tournament fees but was tabled until the treasurer returns.
- Handicap
Trevor Heathorn was appointed to the position of Handicap Chairman for 2018. Trevor reported on two exceptional rounds at the Spring Valley tournament turned in by members Jim Schenkel and Ken Arends. Both posted scores five shots below their course handicap. The board discussed what constitutes posting a score as a tournament. The decision was to contact the NCGA for clarification.
- Membership and Communication
As of February 1, the club has 190 members with 178 of those paying dues. The difference between the two numbers includes eight honorary members and four junior members. Of the eight honorary, the club pays the NCGA dues for five along with the dues of the four junior members.
- Tournament
Chuck Pickett was appointed Tournament Chairman for 2018. He updated the board on the status of the 2018 tournament schedule. The Tournament Pairings Program no longer connects to the USGA handicap system and now requires that users manually enter the players and post the scores for each event. Tournament signups are running ahead of the projected 2018 participation numbers.
- Course Update
The opening of the new Baylands course remains in limbo as the city negotiates with the selected vendor. The projected start date for the club to schedule tournaments at the new course is June, 2018, with away tournaments scheduled through June 2, 2018.
- Other Business
John Harris was appointed to the audit committee and will coordinate with David Farwell to schedule the audit of the books for 2018. The board discussed the coming replacements for eClubhouse and the Tournament Pairings Program. Neither has yet been released and both are still under development and evaluation by the NCGA.