

PALO ALTO GOLF CLUB GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES

Date: April 12, 2018
Time: 5:00 pm
Location: Palo Alto Golf Course
Attendees: Bob Booth, Chuck Pickett, Trevor Heathorn, John Frykland, Ken Arends, David Farwell, Doug Marinkovich, Trevor Heathorn
Absent: James Kaku, John Harris

- The meeting was called to order by President Bob Booth. Minutes from the March, 2018, board meeting were adopted without change. The May meeting was cancelled and replaced by the annual meeting to be held following our tournament at Shoreline Golf Links on April 21.
- Treasurer
Treasurer Ed Barkley covered the expenditures for March. Net income for March was not recorded by the Secretary. The bank balance on April 1 was \$14,690.93. The expenses were ratified by a unanimous vote of the board.
- Handicap
On January 1, 2020, the world-wide handicap system will be introduced. The handicap index will be based on the best 8 of the last 20 rounds and will be updated daily. The maximum score for handicap reporting purposes will be a net double bogie on any hole. Course handicaps can change on a day-to-day basis depending on weather and other conditions.
- Membership and Communication
As of April 1, the club has 196 members with 184 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 reported that we are still tentatively scheduled to hold our inaugural tournament at Baylands on June 23 and to hold the Stroke Play Championship at the course on July 7 and 8. Once the new course management company is in place and functioning, we will know more. The board discussed the issue of playing preferred lies either through the green or in closely mown areas. The board also discussed which tees should be played in NCGA qualifying events.
- 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 July 22, 2018.
- Other Business
The board discussed topics to be included in the upcoming annual meeting on April 21. Treasurer Ed Barkley will discuss how the annual membership dues are allocated to expenses. President Bob Booth will discuss the new course and how the club will interact with it. The board also discussed the issue of the free round promised to those who maintained their club membership during the course closure. The board voted to give an honorarium of \$200 to departing pro Rich Bin for his many years of service for the club.