BOCA WEST
COUNTRY CLUB

MINUTES

MEETING:	Golf Committee
DATE:	February 10, 2022
MEMBERS PRESENT:	Chuck Rosenblatt, Chairman, Bill Berkowitz, Vice Chair, Jeffrey Getelman, Eric Reinstein, Alan Rosenberg, Robin Shulman, Richard Wagner, Ellen Shapiro, Lela Cannon, Greg Friedman, Irv Jainchill
MEMBERS ABSENT:	With notice: Jim Ginzler
PARTICIPANTS:	JR Friend, Director of Golf; Wes Dinsmoor, Director of Golf Course Maintenance
FOR INFORMATION:	The Board of Governors
ISSUED BY:	Chuck Rosenblatt
ISSUE DATE:	February 24, 2022

Chairman called meeting to order at 3:00pm.

Minutes from Golf Committee meeting 1/13/2022 were approved.

Chairman's Report:
Chairman reviewed some of the reports given over the past year in the Committee:

- First meeting 4/20/2021, Course Care remains the number 1 priority
- Even with the pandemic our Twi-Nite Event in April had over 500 participants
- Courses were in good condition with members following 90 degree rule
- In May, we returned Golf to normal play as the pandemic appeared to be waning
- First round of aerification went well

- In August it was reported that our staffing is below normal levels with difficulty hiring staff
- Course 1 hole 1 is completed
- In September, with the return to single riders, it was reported we have finally made arrangements for an additional 35 golf cart to be delivered by October 15
- Aerification of all courses are complete and staff will begin working on other areas of our courses
- JR reported he has made arrangements for 'InterClub" matches with Broken Sound, Boca West, Mizner and Woodfield
- In October, we were still waiting on extra carts
- Staffing continues to be a problem with international staff slowly making their way here
- Search for Golf Course Architects has begun
- Course 4 has been rated and the USGA is now handicapping the golf holes.
- New scorecards were approved
- In November it was reported over 500 participated in the Welcome Back Tournament
- Member Friendly sub-committee has begun giving tours of the Golf Operations to all new Golf members
- We continue waiting on the 35 additional carts
- InRange has been installed at Mr. D's and they are testing the system now
- Staffing still remains a challenge
- Planning for Play for Pink has begun
- In December it was decided we would return to 2 per cart, this was short lived due to the new Omicron Variant
- New scorecards were presented and approved
- Golf memberships up over 140 members this year
- Golf rounds this month are up over 3000 rounds from last month
- All tournaments have seen a significant increase in the number of players
- Tours have been conducted for new members and they have been appreciated by those taking part

Director of Golf Report:

- Almost fully staffed with exception of a few bag room/cart employees. Last 2 international staff arrived today.
- Tee times will continue to be a stain on certain days of the week. (Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday) Members looking to entertain guests should consider Monday, Thursday or Saturday. We have received several questions concerning not seeing anyone on the golf courses in the afternoon and why members cannot get a satisfactory tee time. We have gone over the last two Friday tee time sheets and any cancellations or no shows we received only left one tee time open on a Friday over the two weeks during "prime time" which was caused by a multiple/link group that condensed from two groups into one.
- As a reminder, tee times have been spread-out due to single rider golf carts and the necessity to get the fleet carts back to reuse them for another round.
- Valentine's Day event went very well with over 230 players participating. A majority of the members joined us for lunch inside the Grand Ballroom. The afternoon concluded with a game of "How well do you know your partner?"

- Winners have been crowned for the Club/Senior/Legend Flight Championships while the Championship/Match Play portion is on the golf course now with the Women's champions crowned today and Men's on Saturday. Golf courses have been prepped prior to each event with bunkers being racked and greens being rolled to insure a smooth and consistent putting surface during the competition. 2022 - 80 Participants compared to 2021 - 77 Participants
- Member Guest invitations have gone out for the Men's event and should go out in the next few days for the Women's 9 and 18 hole events. All events will plan to be in the Grand Ballroom.

Men – 470 Women – 310 9 Hole - 134

- We have finalized the two golf course architecture groups. Dana Fry/ Jason Straka and Drew Rogers/ Chris Wilczyski. Both groups have presented master plans.
- Jim Phillips and Mike Bove will have a few InRange classes in March to help members download and use the InRange app. They will also have a Get Golf Ready program in March for new golfers.

Just some numbers:

- Balls tracked since InRange started: over 800,000 (just south tee)
- 59,322 total rounds played since October 1
- Almost 6,000 guest rounds since October 1
- Equipment sales are 37% over budget since October 1

Director of Golf Course Maintenance Report:

1. Golf Course Work:

- Golf continues to be very busy. Courses are showing a lot of wear areas. Reminder to please pay attention to where you are driving and avoid high traffic areas where the turf is brown and thin.
- We are putting out additional ropes and stakes and aerifying worn areas to help reduce the stress.
- Courses started a fertilizer application this week but were held up with rain on Tuesday and Wednesday. We are scheduled to continue next Wednesday and Thursday.
- Courses continue with all of our winter maintenance practices including aerifying and treating for disease.
- The national Golf Course Superintendents Association trade show and education seminars are taking place in San Diego this week. I elected to sign my managers and me up for the virtual version due to all the guidelines still in place from covid.
- Work resumed on our maintenance shop today. Bay doors finally showed up and crews are mobilizing to start work.
- We are getting very close to the start of the pool project. You have probably noticed orange fence going up all around the sports center. This is marking and protecting trees that are either going to stay or get relocated once demo starts.
    - In the next few weeks the construction fence is going to be adjusted behind the pool on Course 1 hole 1. It won't affect any routing or access to the course but it will be right near the cart path in a few areas by the tees.

Sub Committee Exception Reports:

Tournaments – Lela Cannon & Ellen Shapiro reported on the plans for Play For Pink which was held the Week of January 24th. With the awful weather we had that entire week we still raised over $83,000.

New Business:
There was a general discussion of our accomplishments during this very unpredictable and difficult past few months. Many members spoke of the great job JR and Wes and their staffs had done this past year.

Prior to the adjournment of the meeting the Chairman offered his heartfelt thanks to the committee for their service to the club this past year and invited all to remember to submit request to join the new club committees that would be assign after the annual meeting

The Chairman also took a few minutes to thank the staff, ALL STAFF, for their dedication and hard work during these most difficult times.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:15