BOCA WEST
COUNTRY CLUB

MINUTES

MEETING:	Golf Committee
DATE:	December 8, 2022
MEMBERS PRESENT:	Chuck Rosenblatt - Chairman, Bob Lerner – Vice Chair, Eric Reinstein, Alan Rosenberg, Edward Zelnick, , Lela Cannon, Audrey Farber, Ellen Shapiro, Mark Gold, Greg Friedman ,Jeffrey Getelman, Mark Schneider, Robin Shulman
MEMBERS ABSENT:	
PARTICIPANTS:	JR Friend, Director of Golf; Jeremiah Lockhart, Director of Agronomy; Peter Taylor, Head Golf Professional; Mike Bove, Golf Professional; Meg Botting, Tournament Director
ISSUE DATE:	December 12, 2022

Chairman called meeting to order at 3:05

Motion by Mr. Reinstein and seconded by Ms. Cannon the minutes of September 6 were approved

Chairman's Report
Chairman led a discussion of life expectancy, cost and reasons for the need to the golf course renovations. The courses are presently in good condition on the surface. What is not apparent is the infrastructure. The irrigation systems are warn out and replacement parts an almost impossible to find, substructures of the bunkers are in total need of replacement as is the drainage on our courses. Signal grass has invaded our fairways and roughs and with the paspalum grass we have on our fairways the only real way to get rid of it is by cutting out the grass and resodding. After a lengthy discussion the chairman asked for the members send him questions that could be addressed.

Director of Golf Report

- GPS devices are continually being installed. As use increases, units will be adjusted for distance and cart path accuracy.

- We have 110 new fleet carts in rotation with additional carts coming each week with hopes of having a complete fleet before the end of the year.

- Season is here as we have 1,000 golfers looking to play next Wednesday, December 14 between Ladies' League, Twi-Nite and regular play.

- New scorecards are here with the addition of slope and rating of all sets of tees along with more scoring lines. New local rule for Dye IV, hole 3 has been added to Dye IV scorecard

- Remind the committee of golf department structure: Peter Taylor and Mike Bove oversee inside operations (golf registration, tee times, Golf Studio, locker rooms, beverage carts)

Jim Phillips and Kevin Terry oversee outside operations (bag room, carts, rangers, starters, driving range)

Meg Botting and Daniella DeSousa run tournaments

- Current participation numbers for upcoming events:
  Twi-Nite 467
  Grandparent/Grandchild 136

Director of Agronomy Report

- Staffing levels
  - Landscape (-1) - grounds
  - Course 1 (-1) - grounds
  - Course 2(-1) – spray tech
  - Course 4 (-2) -1 grounds and 1 Assistant Supt.
- Preventative Fungicide Applications on TFA (tee's, fairways, approaches) are complete
- Currently finishing up a weed pre-emergent application in all the rough and will begin a fairway pre-emerge application to TFA next week
- Salt trials are taking place on course 1. We are trying out using salt in the paspalum areas as a form of weed control. Paspalum has limitations on what can be used to "knock" back weeds. Paspalum was developed for its salt tolerance for coastal areas that are high in brackish water. Results have been promising so far. Areas such as 6 blue tee, 18 gold tee and front of 4 fairway have received these applications so far.
- Course improvements will continue in between major play events. We have removed the dirt road behind #12 (C1) comfort station and replaced with a new coquina path and enlarged the bed under the 2 large oaks with mulch, which was barren of grass.

Sod will continue around teeing complexes on all courses. Sod prep will begin this month with new sod coming in periodically as it becomes available.

SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tournament Committee

Ms. Cannon & Ms. Shapiro gave a report on Play for Pink Week. So far over $7,000 has been raised. The committee plans to conclude the week with a couple's event on Sunday. All committee members were encouraged to participate in the event. Signs are a big factor in raising money for this cause. The Chairman stated that he will ask all committee members to participate in buying a sign from the golf committee.

Mr. Gold reported on the Governor's cup which started last week. 24 ladies and 52 men participated in the qualifying round. 16 ladies and 32 men advanced to the next round which will be held next Monday 12/12

Chairman presented the committee with the list of Gifts that the tournament committee had selected. The gift ideas were approved by the committee

Good and Welfare

The Chairman reported that this would be JR's final golf committee meeting. He thanked JR for his 31 years of service to Boca West. JR's participation in the club these years has helped to make Boca West what it is today. His dedication to the Club and its members is undeniable, he will be greatly missed. We wish him good luck in his new endeavor.

Mr. Lerner echoed Mr. Rosenblatt's comments and thanked him for his service.

There being no more new business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35.
Next Committee meeting Tuesday January 3, 2023.