

# San Carlos Golf Club

## Annual Meeting

January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 6pm

Elks Club, Bonita Springs, FL

**Attendance:** Mike Allardyce, Theresa Randall, Bob Deeley, Jim Menditto, Ron Fisher, Jackie Knight, Keith Taylor, Ron Tarantino, Seda Butler, Mike Dopsloff and Certificate Holders of the San Carlos Golf Club.

**Absent:** None

Secretary, Keith Taylor, stated that we have a quorum of the membership.

President Mike Allardyce called the meeting to order at 1830 hours.

Motion by Terry Weller and seconded by Bob Skinner to accept minutes from the Annual Meeting January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Approved by all.

President, Mike Allardyce, confirmed with the General Manager, Mike Dopsloff, that there were no communications to the board at this time.

President Mike Allardyce welcomed everyone, acknowledged new members and asked them to stand and introduce themselves.

**Presidents Report:** Stated the club had a very successful as evidenced by 44 new members. He went on to ask all new members to stand and introduce themselves. Seven new members were acknowledged and welcome with an applause from all members and the board. He acknowledged and praised Jason Craft and his staff for all the course improvements and sited all positive comments on golf now. He continued by asking Mike Dopsloff to pass on the board and members appreciation to Jason and all staff which was followed by an applause from all members and the board. He transitioned to Board accomplishments and initiatives over the past year. He stated the board was focused on bringing more money into the club and sited the By Law changes including the Tier II pricing which he hoped everyone supported. He went on to highlight major projects completed over the past year: the new pump on 17, pump on 13 but needs updated, the wash down system that should be completed by the end of the month., scoreboard repaired. Projects to be completed are the Walk In cooler, several roofs to be repaired/updated.

The snack bar extension continues to be delayed by permitting but plan to have completed by the end of 2019.

**Vice President Report:** No report/updates.

**Treasurer Report:** Ron Tarantino reported financials from 1 October – 31 December 2018: Income was \$1, 876,714.02, Expenses were \$1, 880,828.57 resulting in a loss of \$4,114.55. He reported that the budget was on track and each month Mike Dopsloff provides a monthly comparison of past years to better assess the boards progress. He closed his report by stating the current balance in checking and savings of \$302,908.09.

**General Manager:** Mike Dopsloff first congratulated and thanked the membership for their support as evidenced by all the positive reviews San Carlos has been receiving. He also stated what a pleasure it has been this past year working with the board and although it is not always calm and collected everyone works together. He went on to say that the board works hard to keep prices down and cited Mike Allardyce knowledge of an existing pipeline that prevented additional cost to the well on 17. Mike Dopsloff shifted his remarks to his submitted report. Started with the golf course being in excellent condition but noted the tree loss since hurricane Irma and the Pine Beetles. Unfortunately killing Pine Beetles also kills bees and we don't want to do that so the club is continuing to replace trees but it will be a long process. Currently losing about 25 trees a year but the pine sapling planting last year will help and will be continued every two years. He closed his report by informing everyone the greens will be vented next week and asked if anyone had a question. One walking member asked if additional sand boxes could be placed on the course to allow players to refill sand containers for filling divots. Mike Dopsloff said he could do that. He also said that with the washdown station being completed the club will finally be fully compliant with all requirements. Lastly, he thanked his staff, Robin in the snack bar and all her hard work, course maintenance crew, office, pro shop staff and our new Ranger (Jamie-a disabled veteran). The members showed their appreciation with a loud applause.

President, Mike Allardyce, asked the secretary if we needed additional time to count ballots for By Law changes. The secretary responded that 10 additional ballots had been submitted during the meeting and more time would be appreciated. The president acknowledged and started committee reports.

**Building and House:** Ron Fisher reported all the volunteer projects that had been completed over the past year. He named and asked the members to thank the volunteers for all their hard work. He highlighted future projects and the need for volunteers to help tape the clubhouse for the exterior painting before April 2019. He noted that you can't put a price on everything that is accomplished by volunteers. He closed by thanking his committee members and passing on the wish list to his successor. The members showed their appreciation with a loud applause.

**Membership.** Seda Butler reported the status of the 301 existing certificates: 245 are active but 7 are in arrears, 10 have been surrendered and 39 revoked. Of the 245 active

certificates 209 are golf fees paying members: 145 single and 64 family. She also added that members can get calendars in the pro shop with all activities.

**Greens and Beautification:** Seda Butler reported progress on course projects and landscape projects which are all readily visible to all members. She stated 200 of the 2,000 pine saplings that were planted last year are healthy. She thanked all the members who have donated money, plants, trees and time and said the committee would gladly accept more contributions. She closed by thanking Jason for his time, ideas and support scheduling projects. Members showed their appreciation with a loud applause.

**Blind Bogey Fund:** Bill Canning was unable to attend the meeting but Mike Allardyce said Bill had nothing to report.

### **Old Business:**

Member asked about surrendered certificates and what is being done with them. The president said the Board is working through legal matters to ensure that the certificates can be resold.

The President brought up last year's meeting request for a Five-Year Plan and stated Mike Dopsloff has been working on a capital projects list that the board can prioritize. He continued to emphasize the Board's commitment to listen and act on member input.

### **New Business:**

One member inquired about the spike marks and scuffs on greens and if anything could be done about it. The president noted golf rules allow golfers to repair or tamp down any marks. Mike Dopsloff added the we have an older membership and encourages everyone to pick up their feet.

Member asked about the walk-in cooler that was an item on the Special Assessment and if the money was diverted to other projects. Mike Allardyce said the money is still there for the walk-in cooler but other projects need to be completed before the new cooler can be purchased and installed.

Member inquired about the By Law Tier II change and when the Tier II members gain majority on the board and membership can the Tier I be changed. The President said it had been discussed and noted that future boards cannot change the Tier I. Ron Tarantino added that fees had been set. The President did acknowledge that future boards and members have the right to change By Laws. The discussion continued about who sets dues and it is the Board and it set Tier II at 2,000.

Member inquired about the board setting a \$5 walking fee and that he has never received an acceptable reason. The President said the board made the decision and he is sorry if the member does not agree.

Member said he was trying to understand dues and fees structure. The President said no change to Tier I. The member asked what is Tier II (7.5%). The member also asked about Tier II structure. Ron Tarantino said Tier II is a single fee of which 20% goes to capital projects and the 2,000 is all taxable. The club has showed a loss 10 of the last 12 years so the IRS is starting to ask questions. He said the club is trying to move towards industry standards. The member was satisfied with Ron's explanation.

Member inquired about outside play competing with members and used his participation with the Moose as the basis for his question. Mike Dopslaff responded that the Club values outside play and the board and he is well aware of the Moose situation. Before the President passed the mic to Mike Dopslaff who stated the board was well aware of all situations. Mike Dopslaff said the Moose plays year around on Tuesday which is the Club's Ladies Day and that the ladies had move back their tee times to support the Moose. The Moose has grown beyond the 12 tee times originally agreed to but now has 16. He said tee times would be worked out to between the ladies and the Moose.

Member inquired about booking 9-hole tee times online. The President encouraged him to use the telephone and the online system best supports non-members. Mike Dopslaff added that the five day online is really four days.

Claude Marengere informed everyone about the blind bogey fund and what it supports. The President said it was an excellent program on Saturday and Monday. Andy Tonkovich added that the computer room has instructions.

Member asked about pre-booking on Wednesday and if it would be expanded. Mike Allardyce respond it was just for Wednesday and would not be expanded.

Member inquired if the \$5 walking fee would be increased next year and the President responded that he did not see it increasing next year.

The President, Mike Allardyce, thanked the board members and stated no one on the board had a personal agenda and that once a decision is made all board members support it. Mike thanked the membership for their great support and received a full applause of appreciation.

The President asked the Secretary if the results of the By Law Changes are complete.

The Secretary, Keith Taylor, announced the results of the By Laws changes.

127 Ballots received: 101 Yes, 26 No, the proposed By Laws changes passed.

President announced the results of Director voting.

Max House	59
Andy Tonkovich	51
Jeff Doyle	58
Kathie Westlund	31
Ron Tarantino	92
Terry Weller	76

The three new Board members are Max House, Ron Tarantino and Terry Weller.

The President acknowledged a member asking if he could review/audit minutes and financials and the President said any member could and to see Mike Dopsloff for financials and the website for minutes. The President also encouraged the member to join the financial committee.

The same member also stated he wanted to go on record as opposing the \$5 walking fee and the President asked for his name and certificate number: Mr. Brian Miller #1091.

Billie Allardyce inquired if there was a mistake reading the votes and the President confirmed the voting count once again.

Motion to adjourn presented by Chuck Lieske and seconded by Fred Popp. Meeting adjourned at 1930 hours.

Respectfully submitted

Keith Taylor

Secretary