

MLGA Executive Board Meeting Minutes
February 5, 2008

The Executive Board meeting convened at 7:00 pm. Those present were MLGA Officers and key standing committee chairmen.

The purpose of the meeting was to review roles and responsibilities, new initiatives, 40 handicap rule for new members, parking space criteria, and other discussion items in preparation for the new season.

The tournament co-chairmen provided the planned 2008 schedule. Four flights were announced including one flight which would be primarily 40 handicap players. There will be no Guest Days as guests must pay required green and cart fees. The Handbook is being revised for the 2008 season which will include all current updates.

The MLGA Championship was discussed as to preferred dates for this two day event. The majority voted to continue the event on Saturday and Sunday to encourage working member participation. Efforts will be made to assist and encourage weekday only members to participate.

All members were encouraged to sign up for March 8 rules clinic to be held at the club.

The Treasurer provided the planned budget for 2008. The budget is reduced from 2007 and will require members to pay for Christmas Party and luncheons. Final income will be based on MMGA smoker and member/guest fundraising.

During Handicap Committee discussion, it was suggested that the membership be reminded of accurate and timely scoring, posting of adjusted scores, and turning in scorecards to maintain current handicaps. This may be a topic at the General Membership Meeting in March. Additional information may be added in the Handbook if deemed necessary.

Pam Chambers as membership chairman provided sample package as incentive for new members. She was asked to contact Club to use newsletter to recruit new members and work with Club membership manager for notification of new members. It was suggested that a brief list of key golf rules/etiquette be prepared to help explain how best to improve pace of play and communication.

Options on how best to incorporate new and inexperienced players into the MLGA are being discussed.

Beverly Harman reported on MLGA website participation. After research into benefits of continuing the website, the board voted to continue with its use. Beverly will be the coordinator for all inputs. Examples of web inputs include budgets, Minutes, publicity clippings, tournament schedule and results, ARFAX, VSGA, Southern League input, and social events.

Carol Lucke and Shirley Thorne have agreed to assist a 9 hole group. Currently, there has been limited feedback for establishing this group (four people). However, other members offered to help in mentoring/playing with new members in regular play.

Shirley Thorne encouraged all attendees to participate in Ladies VSGA events. We are automatically members as part of the Ladies League. Members should use the VSGA website for application. Schedule was handed out and will be posted. Dottie agreed to e-mail schedule.

Dolly Cox advised of ARFAX planning. She encouraged all to join which allows members to play on 14 courses. She advised new rules allow members to join at anytime within the year once handicap/index restrictions have been met. Key dates include April 2 icebreaker and March 26 preparation meeting.

Pam Miller encouraged all to continue to volunteer and assist in fundraiser events. Men's Member Guest is 19-21 June which will require support as well as several smokers throughout the year.

Attendees agreed to recognize an MLGA member on a rotating basis with a designated parking space. Criteria for recognition will be further refined and presented to the membership.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Submitted by,

Evelyn Crawford, Secretary