



MICHIGAN SECTION PGA 2017 FALL MEETING

**October 23, 2017
Eagle Eye Golf Club
East Lansing, Michigan**

President Ron Osborne called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and welcomed everyone to Eagle Eye Golf Club. He thanked Pepsi for sponsoring the meeting. Randy White administered the invocation and remembered deceased members Duck Duckwall, Erich Kuhlman and Brent Veenstra.

Ron welcomed special guest's legal counsel John Allen, David Graham, GAM, Kathy Grayson, Career Services Consultant, Tim Marks, Director Career Services, Marsha Hacker, who sang the national anthem, and all Past Presidents in attendance. He appointed Dean Kolstad, Jim Gatza and Joe Prior to serve as Sargent at Arms.

Motion was made and seconded to accept the 3/27/17 Spring Meeting minutes. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A brief video was shown on behalf of Zero Friction and Johnny Miller, who was to be in attendance.

Ron then spoke about the following:

- In November, Kevin Helm and the officers will be traveling to the PGA Annual Meeting in Austin, Texas. Ron and Kevin McKinley will be delegates, with Bob Bales, John Pershern and Bill Rogers attending as alternate delegates.
- There are five resolutions to be addressed at the PGA Annual Meeting: Resolution 1 - Constitution and Bylaws Restructure; Resolution 2 - Realignment of District Director Class Sizes; Resolution 3 - Mandatory Member Assistance Program; Resolution 4 - Eligibility for Life Member Tour Classification; Resolution 5 - Awarding Education Credits toward PGA Membership for golf specific career colleges.
- The Michigan PGA Strategic Plan has finalized goals and objectives as well as action plans including strategies, actions, leadership timing and outcomes. This strategic action plan will serve as a guide over the next five years.

Ron then presented plaques to outgoing Board of Directors Harry Dixon, John Lindert (not in attendance), Chris Moore, John Seltzer, Joe Simpson, Sam Stover and Doug White. He also thanked all Committee chairs, Officers, Board of Directors, and Section staff for their dedication to the membership.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Vice President Kevin McKinley reviewed investments through the third quarter. Account balances at the end of third quarter were \$1,374,008 for the General Fund and \$47,003 for the Foundation Fund.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Bob Bales talked about the MSR period ending June 15, 2018 where 54 credits are required (mandatory 36 from PGA Meeting/PGA approved Education/Player Development).

Bob recognized new members, quarter century and half century members. He also acknowledged and congratulated 2017 Michigan PGA Hall of Fame inductee Tom Harding.

OFFICER CANDIDATES FORUM

Candidates John Pershern and Wally Sierakowski spoke to the membership about their desire to serve the Section as Secretary.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Honorary President Doug White reviewed the candidates for Secretary, Vice President and President. Doug asked for nominations from the floor for President and Vice President. Since there were none, Kevin McKinley, President, and Bob Bales, Vice President, were elected by acclamation.

Because there were two candidates for the office of Secretary, no nominations were asked from the floor. The vote for Secretary proceeded. John Pershern was elected Secretary.

Doug administered the oath of office to the new officers, as well as chapter officers in attendance.

PRESENT 2017 SPECIAL AWARDS

All 2017 winners in attendance received their plaques.

TOURNAMENT REPORT

In Chair John Seltzer's absence, Kevin Helm reviewed 2017 highlights:

- Year-end review of entry numbers - hit or exceeded budget in 13 of 17 events, including all 4 majors and the 2 travel pro ams.
- Michigan PGA Professional Championship - had a great first year at Flint Golf Club and are looking forward to returning there next August.
- Travel Pro Am's – New Orleans event was held October 15-18 with 17 teams. The Florida pro am is moving to Villas at Grand Cypress January 27-29, 2018.
- 2017 Major Winners:
 - Matt Thompson - Michigan Open Championship presented by LaFontaine Automotive Group
 - Michael Nagy - Tournament of Champions
 - John Seltzer – Michigan PGA Professional Championship
 - Scott Hebert - Match Play Championship presented by PGA Tour
- 2017 Omega Player of the Year - Scott Hebert, Traverse City G&CC

PGA CAREER SERVICES REPORT

Tim Marks introduced the Section's incoming PGA Career Services Consultant Kathy Grayson, and then briefly reviewed the business plan of the PGA Career Services Department.

PGA MERCHANDISE SHOW

A brief video was shown regarding the PGA Merchandise Show January 25-28, 2018 in Orlando. Further information can be found at www.pgashow.com.

TOWN HALL

After a short break, the remainder of the meeting were town hall discussions with Special Awards Chair Doug Kreis showing brief videos, and then congratulating and introducing PGA of America award winners Zack Chapin, PGA Merchandiser of the Year-Resort, and Kevin McKinley, PGA Patriot Golf Day. Zack and Kevin each provided information about their successes, the awards process, and helpful tips.

Vice President Kevin McKinley then reviewed Michigan PGA Strategic Plan highlights including the mission, core values, goals and objectives of this five year plan.

President Ron Osborne briefly spoke about the five resolutions to be considered at the Annual Meeting. *Motion was made and seconded for the delegates to the Annual Meeting go uninstructed. Motion passed.*

GOLF ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN

David Graham of GAM talked about changes to how handicaps will be administered beginning in 2018.

OLD BUSINESS

None submitted.

NEW BUSINESS

None submitted.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

NOTE: Due to the town hall format, the Chapters/Committees did not give verbal reports. Their written reports can be found on www.michiganpgagolf.com, 2017 Fall Meeting link.