



**MICHIGAN SECTION PGA
2022 SPRING MEETING
Eagle Eye Golf Club
East Lansing, Michigan**

March 14, 2022

There were 138 eligible members in attendance. Since we did not meet the minimum quorum requirement of 148 eligible members, no official business was conducted.

President Dean Kolstad called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. He welcomed special guests Brian Jones, District 5 Director, John Lindert, PGA of America Vice President, Kim Shafer, Player Engagement Consultant, Erin Scanlon, PGA HOPE Program Coordinator, US Army Retired, Todd Smith, Career Services Consultant, and all Past Presidents in attendance.

Thanks to Wholesale GRIPS for sponsoring the luncheon.

Dean read the first half of the rules of how the meeting will be conducted. He also appointed Brian Corwin, Rolla Frisinger, Terri Ryan as Sargent @ Arms.

Kevin McKinley delivered the invocation and remembered deceased Michigan PGA Members Ken Horvath and Jim Lipkowitz.

The St. Johns High School Orchestra trio played the national anthem via video.

Jeff O'Malley delivered the invocation with a moment of silence for Michigan PGA Member Rod Sowders.

President's Report

President Kolstad reviewed the following:

- Thanked former staff member Chelsea Guynes. Her replacement, Madison Maurier, will start tomorrow. He also thanked staff for assisting with her duties in her absence.
- President Kolstad and Diane Lazaros met with Chapter leaders, and shared ideas about sponsorships and purse payouts, amongst other items. Consistency with all three Chapters will be the answer going into the 2022 season.
- Greg Johnson is working on a four-part series on the Section's Centennial celebration.
- Kevin Helm and Diane have been in contact with Detroit Golf Club regarding hosting our Fall Meeting, as well as our Centennial Celebration. Detroit Golf Club is incredibly special in that it is the place where the Section was formed 100 years ago.
- George Bowman and Dean are putting together a fundraiser for PGA REACH Michigan Foundation with golf professionals playing against the Red Wing alumni team either December 4 or 11. More information to come!
- The officers and Kevin Helm attended the March Super Regional in Houston. They met with the candidates for National Secretary: Nathan Charnes, Tony Martinez, and Dan Pasternak. All three are incredibly good candidates with different backgrounds.
- Patriot Golf Day & Folds of Honor have partnered together during the 4 days of Memorial Day weekend. Monies raised will be shared evenly between them and will stay here in Michigan to fund PGA HOPE programs and Folds of Honor scholarships.
- We are still in need for volunteers for the 2022 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship at Harbor Shores. Contact Diane Lazaros at 517.885.3264.

- The scaled down version of the 2022 PGA Merchandise Show was well attended.

Vice President's Report

Vice President Stephanie Jennings stated the Section General Fund account had capital reserves of \$1,788,055 an increase of \$173,667. Foundation has \$93,535, an increase in value of \$12,278. Through operations, investment activities, and depreciation net assets decreased by approximately \$38,818.

Executive Director Kevin Helm stated that the three operating budgets combined decreased by \$27,765.

Secretary's Report

Secretary Dan Urban reviewed new members, transferred members into the Section, and quarter and half century members.

Executive Director Report

Kevin Helm thanked the staff, Officers, Board, and Committees. He briefly recapped his ED report, which was submitted to the membership via email, and spoke of the following:

- Staff member Anna Epkey has resigned effective March 31. He thanked her for her service to the Section.
- Welcomed Madison Maurier, who replaced Chelsea Guoynes.
- Dues bills for the 2022/2023 cycle will be emailed May 1
- MSR cycle ends June 15, 2022
- PGA Financial Fund scholarship deadline is April 8

Tournament Report

Chair Jeff Rachar highlighted items for 2022:

- No residency restrictions for the Spring Scramble, Midwest Golf & Turf Pro Am and the Fall Pro Scratch.
- Registration for the Section Championship, Senior PGA and Section Assistants Championship will run through the Section and Blue Golf, no longer enter through PGA of America
- Only A8's/B8's will be allowed to participate in the Section Assistant Championship as this aligns with the new policy from PGA of America only allowing A-8's/B-8's to participate in the National Assistants Championship.
- LMA classifications are no longer eligible classifications for the PGA Professional Championship. Life Members will still be allowed to participate in our Section Championship, just not advance. (LMA will still be eligible classifications for the Senior PGA Professional Championship).

Special Awards

Chair Pat Markley announced the 2022 Special Awards winners:

Assistant Professional of the Year-Lauren Strong
 Bill Strausbaugh-Doug Kreis
 Distinguished Service Award-Doug Dingwall
 Merchandiser of the Year-Private-Kyle Horton
 Merchandiser of the Year -Public-Ian Ziska
 Merchandiser of the Year -Resort-Gary Lewandowski
 Patriot Award-Doug Bell
 Player Development Award-Kelly Kuhlman
 Professional Development Award-John Lindert
 Youth Player Development Award-Rolla Frisiginer
 Teacher & Coach of the Year-Brian Cairns
 Golf Executive of the Year-Kevin McKinley
 Golf Professional of the Year-Jeff O'Malley

They will be formally celebrated at the Fall President's Dinner.

Town Fall Forum

The second portion of the meeting then went into a town hall format with Executive Director Kevin Helm talking with Dean Kolstad, John Lindert and Brian Jones. A video was shown on the new PGA headquarters in Frisco, Texas.

In addition to talking about the new PGA headquarters, other topics included a member deferred compensation plan. Members that participate by supporting the three Growth of the Game pillars can earn a contribution towards a deferred compensation fund.

Career Consultant Report

Todd Smith reviewed a slide presentation regarding some of the goals and objectives of the Career Services Department: supporting members, recruiting and executive search. He also urged members to complete the PGA Compensation Profile as it is the number one tool used to influence member compensation when working with an employer.

Player Engagement Consultant

Kim Shafer reviewed a slide presentation, highlighting the following:

- PGA Jr. League enhancements:
 - New Custom Technology - There is a new custom-built website and mobile app to run PGA Jr. League and integrate with PGA Family Cup and PGA.Coach.
 - New Payment Option - Set up a Stripe Account to receive seamless payments, directly deposited into your bank account just a few days after players register. It is important to consult your tax advisor to understand how the new 1099-K tax laws affect payments collected with Stripe.
 - GameChanger Club - creates opportunities for PGA Coaches to offer multiple seasons and drive more value to themselves and their facilities. It provides kids with the ability to play golf year-round under the PGA Jr. League Brand.
 - New Flexibility for Forming All Star Teams - There is no longer a minimum or maximum requirement for the number of players that must be taken from each regular season team to form the league's All-Star Team.
 - Additional (Optional) Championship Season Pathway - There is a new Championship Season Pathway that leads to the regional level.
- PGA Family Cup - All PGA Members will have the opportunity to participate in PGA Family Cup in 2022.
- PGA.Coach - Visit www.pga.coach.com to learn about the American Development Model for golf, which features seven different ages and stages of development for golfers.

PGA REACH

Erin Scanlon, PGA HOPE Program Coordinator, US Army Retired, Patriot Golf Days which combines Folds of Honor with PGA HOPE during the Memorial Day weekend. There are over 270,000 Veterans under the age of 65 that live in Michigan. Erin urged members to get involved and attend PGA HOPE training, offer club fitting for HOPE graduates, extend discounts to them, and participate in Patriot Golf Days.

Grant POY Awards

Growth of the Game Committee Chair Scott Wilson congratulated and recognized Raquel Bryant and Kelly Plaisier, Thousand Oaks Golf Club in Grand Rapids, the 2021 Junior Player Development Grant Program of the Year recipients.

Scott also recognized Joe Simpson, IMA Brookwood in Flint, the 2021 Adult Player Development Program of the Year recipient. Both conducted excellent programs and are very deserving of being eligible for additional grant funds in 2022.

New Business

None submitted.

Old Business

None submitted.

Meeting concluded at 11:50AM

NOTE: Since we did not meet the minimum quorum requirement of 148 eligible members, an online vote was conducted to reduce the quorum from 25% of the voting membership to a minimum of 100 members of the voting membership. Please see Attachment A that includes the ballot and results.

ATTACHMENT A

Ballot - Members Needed for a Quorum

* Required

1. Email *

2. Member Name *

3. Member Number *

Michigan PGA Constitution & Bylaws Revision

Article IV, Meetings:

Current verbiage:

Section 4. A quorum for the conduct of business at an Annual or Special Meeting of the Section shall consist of 25% of the voting membership, those in good standing, at the date of the meeting.

Proposed verbiage:

A quorum for the conduct of business at an Annual or Special Meeting of the Section shall consist of a minimum of 100 members of the voting membership, those in good standing, at the date of the meeting.

If, for any reason, that requirement is not met, the Officers and Board of Directors may adopt such other reasonable measures including, but not limited to, electronic or other means of voting, by which the quorum requirement shall be deemed to have been met.

4. Vote for 1 *

Check all that apply.

In Favor

Opposed



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Vote for 1
191 responses

