



RAC GOLF COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes – Club Room

May 9, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM,

Members Present, Carolyn Bethea, Joe Law, Marty O’Neill, Molly Walker, and Marianne Wellander. And of course, Ron Larkin, Director of Golf, Racquet Sports, and Hospitality. Membes Dennis Bluet and Carolyn Clark were excused. Members Dick Green and Ted Roberts did not attend.

The minutes of the March 28 meeting were approved prior to this meeting.

1. The committee wishes to give kudos to Siby Thadathil for a job well done to provide a redesigned and refurbished golf cart storage area. Appearance and function are greatly improved.
2. Molly Walker agreed to be at the Committee table on Friday May 13th. The RAC Representative Carolyn Clark is also requested by RAC to attend. Molly will contact her.
3. “Play with the Pro” will be held on May 11. The participants are requested to be at the gold tee on the 9th hole at 1:45 to begin. The guest pro will be from the Vinoy Country Club. Holes 6 and 9 will both be used.
4. Ron reported that new flags were supplied for the practice putting green.
5. Ron is working on a plan to improve the appearance of the practice putting green as a way of improving the first impression for golfers.
6. An arborist is scheduled to review the dead trees on the golf course, and elsewhere in the community, and make recommendations.
7. Clubhouse entrance landscape and powerwash are in process to improve the appearance.

8. New doormats are ordered for the clubhouse entrance.
9. Two birdhouses are installed on the 1st and 17th holes for the eastern bluebirds. Coordination with the Audobon Society continues.
10. The refurbishment and replacement for the red lateral hazard stakes, and the white out-of- bounds stakes is nearing completion.
11. The air compressor was moved from the front door of the clubhouse to the cart barn to improve the appearance of the clubhouse entrance. A fixed brush remains to clean of shoes prior to entering the clubhouse.
12. The condition of the ladies tee boxes is deteriorating. It was noted that there is no grass seed in the sand used to fill divots. Ron is attempting to get this corrected. It is thought to be a significant contributor to maintaining healthy grass in high use areas.
13. Ron is initiating a program to solicit public comment on our golf experience. There are some negative comments on the internet from several years ago and no comments since. An update, and hopefully an improvement is needed.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 PM.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 27th at 1:00 PM.

Marty O'Neill, Chair, Secretary