



Minutes of the Chester Golf Club Annual General Meeting
August 25, 2021

The Chester Golf Club Annual General Meeting was held on the ZOOM platform on August 25, 2021 at 7:00 PM

There were 24 members of the Club in attendance.

1. The President, Joe Green, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. He welcomed everyone for attending, and requested that the meeting would be recorded, there were no objections.
2. The President, Joe Green, asked everyone present to take part in a moment of silence, to reflect on the recent loss of members of the club and family members of our staff.
3. Motion to approve the Minutes of the Spring Meeting was made by Michael Webber and seconded by Cathy Rafuse. Motion carried.
4. President's Report. On file and posted on the Club's website.
5. Standing committee reports, on file and posted on the Club's website.
 - Treasurer's Report – Andy Ernst. Andy answered questions about the role of the business manager next year.
 - Long Range Planning – Michael Webber. Michael indicated that a Membership survey will be sent out soon.
 - Tees and Greens – David Harvey. David gave an update to fall projects, including a new red tee on #3, rebuilding the right greenside bunker on #12, the old bridge on #14 needs to be rebuilt, there will be more tree trimming and cart path repair
 - House – Cathy Rafuse. Cathy appealed for new volunteers for her committee, and thanked Michelle Levy for all her help with the gardens.
 - Match – Sarah Dennis. Sarah thanked all her volunteers on the tournaments this year.
 - Membership – Holly Chandler. Holly commented on the pressure on the T sheet.
 - Women's Division – Regrets sent by Gail Mitchell
 - Junior – Regrets sent by PJ Cowan

6. New Business:

Membership changes.

1. Reference 3.01 Membership, section D
Junior (ages 6-18): at April 1 of the year Junior Membership Application is submitted.

Recommended change: Remove the date reference only. Moved by Holly Chandler, seconded by Anita Bezeau. Motion Carried

2. Reference 3.01 Membership, section F (i) Medical Leave
Revise wording to clarify that medical leaves are not restricted to one time only but rather, they cannot be taken consecutively.

Recommended change: i) A member may at the discretion of the Club Membership Committee be granted medical leave however, a member cannot apply for medical leave for consecutive years. Moved by Holly Chandler, seconded by Andrew Mader. Motion carried

3. Reference 2.04 Payment of Fees
Membership fees and any Member Account balance are due on April 1st. From April 2nd to April 8th unpaid fees are subject to a late payment penalty of \$50.00 plus applicable taxes or such other amount as determined from time to time by the Board. From April 9th to April 15th unpaid fees are subject to a late payment penalty of \$100.00 plus applicable taxes or such other amount as determined from time to time by the Board. From April 16th to April 22nd unpaid fees are subject to a late payment penalty of \$200.00 plus applicable taxes or such amount as determined from time to time by the Board. From April 23rd to May 1st unpaid fees are subject to a late payment penalty of \$300.00 plus Applicable taxes or such amount as determined from time to time by the Board. Any Senior or Intermediate member who has not paid their Membership Fees and or any outstanding Member Account balance as of close of business day May 1st will have their membership suspended for that entire season. Suspended Members may apply for available Membership opening(s) for the next season and a \$100.00 plus applicable taxes re-application fee will be applied. There is no membership reinstatement appeal process for suspended members.

Recommended change: Remove the tiered schedule of late payment fees and replace with a flat fee of \$150 plus HST. Moved by Holly Chandler, seconded by Dean Durnford. Motion carried.

4. Reference 2.02
Recommended change:
The senior (including intermediate) membership category shall have a maximum of 775 members. Moved by Holly Chandler, seconded by Michael Webber. Motion carried.

Nominating Committee.

Past President, Bruce Forest, served as the chair of this year's committee.

Nominations:

President: Joe Green, acclaimed

1st Vice President: Andrew Mader, acclaimed

2nd Vice President: Anita Bezeau, acclaimed

Treasurer: Andy Ernst, acclaimed

Secretary: Dale Rafuse, acclaimed.

Membership Fees for 2022.

A 2% increase was recommended for all categories. Moved by Dave Hilchey, seconded by John Olson. Motion carried.

Green Fees for 2022.

A 4.3% increase was recommended for all green fee rates and package rates. Moved by Anita Bezeau, seconded by Cathy Rafuse. Motion carried.

Other new business.

There was discussion about the pressure on our tee sheet, and the issue with 9 hole play resulting in underutilized back 9 play.

Next meeting: Spring General Meeting, May 25, 2022

Motion to adjourn

Made by David Harvey