



## FAIRFIELD SENIORS GOLF ASSOCIATION

Minutes of FSGA Board Meeting

September 28, 2016

Meeting location: H Smith Richardson Clubhouse

In attendance: Mike Herington, Gerry Menees, Sal Fiordelisi, Len Tavormina, Bob Martinez, Brian Zukauskus, Pete Cary and Richard Ross. Therefore, a quorum was present.

President Mike Herington opened the meeting by informing attendees that the expected guest, Brandon O'Hara, of the Fairfield Golf Commission would not be attending due to a medical emergency. Brandon's objective was to get input from the senior golfers regarding possible increases for fees at H. Smith Richardson for 2017. Mike presented information that he had received from Paul Gleason, who is a member of the Golf Commission, the likely recommendation to the upcoming Golf Commission meeting is that the annual ID fee be increased from \$50 to \$60. Additionally, Paul and Brandon will recommend that the senior greens fee rates increase only \$1 for Monday – Thursday play and no increase for weekend play. It is expected that for non-senior golfers, the Golf Commission will recommend the same increase for golf ID's and \$1 across the board for greens fees for all others. Mike told the attendees that the Golf Commission meetings are normally held on the second Monday of each month and the public is welcome to attend and comment.

The main subject of discussion at this meeting was to address both the weekly and cumulative competitions for 2017. Mike reviewed the current format for both of these competitions. It was pointed out that after deduction for the cost of GHIN numbers each year, the lion's share of the membership dues is returned to the membership through these competitions. Two main issues were presented with this format:

1. Members who do not spend the entire FSGA seasons (roughly April 15 to October 15) feel that they are at a disadvantage for the cumulative competition because they do not get credit for play in early spring or late fall.
2. We have members playing outside of the organized blocks and tournaments that are included in the competition, but they are not engaged in our organization.

Mike had proposed a revision to the cumulative competition that included credit for the results of tournaments. The consensus of the attendees was that the tournaments involve enough prize money already, and that adding further financial motivation through a link to the cumulative competition was not warranted.

After considerable discussion, the unanimous decision of the attendees was as follows:

### **Weekly Competition:**

Weekly competition would continue to be in effect for the entire FSGA season. The current weekly point system will remain in effect or:

1. 4 points to winner
2. 3.5 points for second
3. 3.0 points for third
4. 2.5 points for fourth
5. 2.0 points for fifth
6. 1.0 points for playing.

Furthermore, for prize money, an individual player was eligible for only two wins per season.

It was agreed that the eligibility for weekly competition would be restricted to the following:

1. Players must sign up through the FSGA web site and play within the FSGA tee time block.
2. On GOLF days, scores will be accepted for play any time on the day of the GOLF day.
3. H. Smith Richardson employees, who often must play before the earliest FSGA block tee time in order to report to work at the course later in the day, are eligible if they play on a league day earlier than the first block tee time.

### **Cumulative competition:**

The cumulative competition will continue to be based on aggregating the points from the weekly competition (as described above). However, only play between the dates of May 15 and September 15 will be included in the cumulative competition. Eligibility for the cumulative competition will be:

1. Players must sign up through the FSGA web site and play within the FSGA tee time block
2. On GOLF days, scores will be accepted for play any time on the day of the GOLF day.
3. H. Smith Richardson employees, who often must play before the earliest FSGA block tee time in order to report to work at the course later that day, are eligible if they play on a league day earlier than the first block tee time.

For both the weekly and cumulative competition the flight structure and prize money will be unchanged, recognizing the increase in cumulative prize money agreed to in the Board of Directors meeting of September 12.

The final subject of discussion was handling last minute requests for additions to tournaments. These last minute requests make the administration of the tournaments, the printing of scorecards, cart cards, etc., very difficult. It was unanimously agreed that after the closure date of registration for tournaments, at the discretion of the Tournament Chairman,

any requests for additions could be rejected. If there are circumstances, such as a threesomes for an ABCD tournament, where addition of another player would fill out a four-man team, the Tournament Chairman can accept such additions. It was agree that all members of the Board of Directors would support the Tournament Chairman in whatever decision and actions he takes to facilitate the easy administration of the tournaments.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:30 PM.