Maryland Interclub Seniors Golf Association

MINUTES

Lakewood Country Club   December 2. 1997

President C.J. Myers called Board to order on time at 10:30 A.M. and thanked **Warren Dean** for hosting the meeting. He introduced new board members: **Tom Tarpley**, Div. 2; **Charlie Fieldhouse,** Div. 2 ('98-2001); **Jim Bell,** Div. 3; **Bob Ludwig**, General Counsel, and **Dick Walsh,** secretary in '98; He noted half those listed in the new Board Roster would leave in the year 2000 and suggested immediate past presidents be encouraged to attend board meetings so matters not completed during their tenure could be addressed.

Those present: C.J. Myers, George Shenk, Bill Ahlfeld, Harry Breitbach, Bob McMinn, Frank Page, Charlie Fieldhouse, John Dickey, Sam Hastings, Jack Nichols, Sam Nisbet, Bob Ludwig, Paul Desmond, Nick Parker, Dick Hunt, Ray Kroeger, Ray Bryan, Duke Rowdon, Tom Tarpley, Jim Bell and Warren Dean.

Ray Kroeger moved and **Jim Bell** seconded a motion that MINUTES of the previous meeting be approved. **Harry Breitbach** presented the **Treasurer's Report.** He said to maintain a reasonable bank balance dues would have to be raised in 1999. After discussion, **Tom Tarpley** moved and **Paul Desmond** seconded that MISGA dues be raised to $5.00 in 1999 - and that unanimous approval by Associates be sought at the annual meeting. It passed. **Tom Tarpley** moved and **Jim Bell** seconded that the **Treasurer's Report** be approved and the motion passed unanimously. **Jim Bell** moved and **Ray Bryan** seconded a motion that the '98 Budget be approved. It passed without dissent.

Committee Reports

Associates -- **John Dickey** reported a MISGA roster of 4,615 with 4,631 paid, for a net surplus of 16 -- "the only surplus in the last four years". He asked that all changes and checks be in by June 1, if possible.

Audit -- Sam Nisbet said Policy in Club Rep Handbook needs to make clear that when income is $5.00 or more per participant in a trips tournament or event that amount should be refunded. Any lesser amounts should go to the Treasurer. A T/E chairman should make his report to the Trips Chairman who, in turn, sends it on to the Treasurer.

History -- Duke Rowdon reported he is continuing to collect minutes of past board meetings and other historic documents.

MISGAgram -- Nick Parker reported on the 2 first class and 2 bulk mailings which made the newsletter just over budget in '97. **Dick Hunt**, editor, thanked members for cooperation and set a February 15th deadline for copy. After discussion it was proposed that copy for the Spring Fling flyer be ready and in his hands by February 1st so members would have the flyer earlier in the year.

Tournaments -- George Lipscomb was not present due to illness. **C. J. Myers** pointed out *Prospect Bay* would be the site of the ABCD tournament on August 31st; and the 2-man team event would be at *Manor* September 14th.

Trips -- Sam Hastings reported the Scotland trip was successful and the plans are underway for a similar trip to Ireland in 1998.

Trips Continued -- **Jim Bell** said Seabrook had 108 attending. The rain came only on the last day. For the first visit to Woodlake, **George Shenk** noted only three complaints out of 100 attending. **Sam Hastings** and **C.J. Myers** said Sea Trail hosted 153 people. The dancing after dinner was a special treat. The **Cruise** was also successful. Next year's Spring Fling will be at *Maple Dale* and *Shawnee Country Clubs* (also *Eagle Creek for* the ladies) on May 11&12.

Policy & Planning -- **Warren Dean** distributed copies of his committee's drafted changes to MISGA's **Constitution** and **Bylaws**. Article 111 on Membership generated a lengthy discussion. The issue sounded like a replay of the Hamilton/Jefferson Federalist Papers. **Tom Tarpley** questioned how much authority should be vested in a Membership Committee as opposed to the Division involved in a membership issue. Board members were urged to review Mr. Dean's draft and send him any suggested changes.

Division Reports

1. **Ray Kroeger** -- Nothing to report.
2. **Frank Page** -- Noted his succesor, **Tom Tarpley**. Gave Annual Report summary.
3. **George Shenk** - Noted his successor, **Jim Bell** and reported on a Rep meeting at the Naval Academy Officers' Club, December 16.
4. **Bob McMinn** -- Annual meeting at Argyle, December 17. A Rep 1/2 day Seminar to be held January 6th at Manor. He reported that 2 assistant reps are becoming a pattern in the Division.
5. **Paul Desmond** -- Gave the Annual Report summary including the fact the division generated $205,726 during the year.

Under both **Old** and **New Business** the Board Bash was discussed. There was a question regarding dates for the 1998 Bash at Carroll Valley. The dates selected conflict with the Jewish Holiday, *Yom Kippur,* which begins at sundown on the 29th and continues on the 30th. It was decided to review with the Club to see if alternative dates were possible. For the '97 Bash 75 18-hole golfers required 46 rooms.

Election of Officers for 1998

On behalf of the Board and MISGA Associates the Secretary cast one vote to signify the election, unanimously, of **George Shenk** as President and Paul Desmond as Vice President of MISGA for the year 1998.

At 4:30 pm **President Myers** turned the meeting over to **President-elect George Shenk**, who made the following announcements: "(1) Secretary in 1998 will be **Dick Walsh** *(West Wind);* (2) **Treasurer Breitbach** and all committee chairmen will maintain their posts; and (3) the first Board meeting next year will be sometime in February and called to order by **Vice President Paul Desmond** since I (**Shenk**) will be away that month."

Respectfully submitted

Bill Ahlfeld

Bill Ahlfeld, Secretary

(additional information subsequent to Board meeting)

Per George Shenk, the next Board meeting will be held Wednesday, **Feb. 11, 1997 at Prospect Bay.** Paul Desmond will send out agenda prior to the meeting.

I want to thank all the Directors and Committee Chairmen for all the support and effort you contributed to make 1997 such an outstanding, successful year! Good luck to all in 1998!!!

C.J. Myers