



Minutes of Board of Management Meeting held on Tuesday 25th January 2022 at 10am

Board Members Present

Paul Stoner (PS)	Chairman
Victor Satariano (VS)	Vice Chairman
Eugene Cranley (EC)	Treasurer
Vincent Portelli (VP)	Member
Beverley Hall (BH)	Lady Captain
Chris Stahl (CS)	Secretary

Apologies for absence

Victor Denaro (VD)	Club Captain
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In Attendance

Phil Luxon (GM)	General Manager
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Items 1 – Approve Previous Minutes

Minutes of Monthly Board Meeting held on 14th December had been circulated in advance. Being no changes, they were signed by the Chairman and will be placed on the Club noticeboard and uploaded on the RMGC website in the secure management folder for Members' information and future reference.

Item 2 – Actions Arising from Previous Minutes (not covered by Agenda)

- Dormant accounts have been removed
- Protocol drafted for the Office to follow when members are deceased, resign or become lapsed as members
- Laferla to confirm that Insurance Policy does not cover trollies & personal buggies even if total value <€1500
- Need to check whether Saffron Insurance Policy is similar to RMGC Policy. Are accidents in kitchens covered?
- Storage of fuel to be improved with new facility being prepared in February
- Ex-MFA equipment has been utilised, sold or scrapped
- White Tee Boxes will still be used by Men in all competitions for the remainder of the season but position of Tees will move more frequently to reduce wear and tear. Moving forward, it is desirable to use different tees for the non-qualifying competitions and some knock-out events
- Survey being sent to all members will include question on Seniors Section & Senior Competitions
- Plan to move from BRS to Club V1 by 15/2 and to coincide with launch of new website. Members to be instructed in use and will have a single user name and password for all applications
- Awaiting plan for refurbishing Torrens Suite against budget. Boardroom table ex-Inspire has been installed
- All restaurant chairs have been refurbished at a considerable expense.
- Policy #16 (Golf Course Management) to be updated to state Greens closed in August/September for overseeding
- Policy #21 (Course Development Plan) not needed once Greens Committee Plan presented and agreed by Members
- Other actions brought forward from the December Board Meeting were not discussed so have been carried forward.

Item 3 – Reports from BOM

a. Chairman

Year-end Finances circulated. PS stated that they look fine against Budget. Membership numbers ahead of schedule. Presented how Club V1 would be used in future with many extra features not provided in BRS.

Stated that Omissions List (late payers of annual subs at 15/1/22) would be posted on main noticeboard at end January.

b. Club Captain – apologised for absence, so Report carried forward to next meeting in February

c. Lady Captain – see under Membership Committee (below)

d. Treasurer

GM agreed to arrange regular weekly/monthly meetings for EC with Nevis in the Office so he can be briefed on finances and accounting in more depth, especially from Captain's Committee.

e. Other Board Members - VS requested EC assistance inspecting equipment in the kitchens

Item 4 – Reports from New Committees.

a. Commercial – VP advised that Membership Survey has been prepared for circulation in January.

b. Membership – BH advised that Rebecca Howes had been appointed Ambassador for new members. Cristina Gomez producing regular monthly newsletter for Members. Club needs to control Induction Courses and receive handover report from Henning. Split screen on TV in Reception providing greater exposure for sponsors.

c. Finance – see Treasurer (above)

d. Greens – PS advised that the committee has drafted an outline plan with timelines for building 17 new USGA Greens. Detailed costings required and benefits to be documented for presentation to Members at AGM in June 2022. Must allow for lost revenue when Course closed or shortened during implementation. Existing greens to be extended to 320 sq m on average. This will reduce wear and tear, may increase labour and fuel cost of maintenance but will save approx €20K on overseeding every Winter (often unsuccessful as in 2021). New greens, if approved will be laid with winter grasses (our season) and alleviate not only the cost of annual over seeding but will mean that we do not have to close the putting surfaces at all going forward.

Need to confirm volume and availability of clean water needed daily for irrigating USGA Greens.

Commented that Bermuda grass was good in Summer (when nobody played the course) but dormant in Winter whilst Bent grass is the reverse.

It was also decided that the success of propagating and encouraging the kikuyu grass at the bottom end of the course was the way ahead for the whole course. The Course Management Policy is to be updated to reflect this.

Item 5 - Report from General Manager - postponed until next meeting.

Item 6 – Approve update to Policy #27 (Caucus of Past Captains) - postponed until next meeting.

Item 7 - Any Other Business - none

Item 8 - Date of Next Meeting - Tuesday 15th February 2022 (to be confirmed).

Meeting closed at 1215.

Chris Stahl (Secretary)

Approved: _____

Paul Stoner (Chairman)

Action Points for GM

<u>Action No</u>	<u>Actions Outstanding</u>	<u>Input/Support</u>
1.	Approve Protocol for Office when Members resign, are deceased or are lapsed as members	BOM
2.	Laferla to confirm details of Insurance Policy	EC
3.	Check Saffron Insurance Policy	
4.	Instruct Members how to use ClubV1 after replacing BRS	BH
5.	Introduce new website to Members	BH
6.	Plan to reduce use of diesel fuel	
7.	Ensure that distance measuring devices (e.g. Garmin) are updated for new tees and distances on the Course	
8.	Update Policy #16 (Course Management) and cancel Policy #21 (Course Development)	CS
9.	Arrange regular review meetings for Treasurer with the Office	
10.	Upgrade Torrens Suite furnishing and improve ICT facilities	
11.	Inspect condition of kitchen equipment	VS/EC
12.	Publish Omissions List at end January	
13.	Re-establish Mangion Suite as Members Lounge	
14.	Meet Saffron to enforce 'Members First' Policy with flexible use of Terrace, Putters Inn and both lounges	PS/VS
15.	Obtain feedback on Induction Courses and plan handover of attendees to Happy Gilmores	EC
16.	Provide input to 5-Year Strategic Plan	Committees
17.	Produce detailed cost-benefit analysis for 17 USGA Greens	PS