

MPLN Board Meeting Minutes April 8, 2025

Home of Marcy Tixier; 63377 E Harmony

Members Present: Laura Benson, Helen Biggs, Barbara Bloch, Deb Bunker, Jo Carter, Raye Cobb, Mary Cummins, Joyce Deutsch, Sandi Dickmann, Janet Drake, Becky Lima, Denise Gilliat-Norgard, Kathy Schoenwetter, Rita Smith, Eileen Snearly, Marcy Tixier, Kay Tomaszek, Sue Wilson, Caroline Whitt,

Call to order: Helen called the meeting to order at 12:35 pm

Minutes of March 11 Board Meeting –

- Joyce D corrected 2 misspelled names
- Minutes were approved.

March Treasurer's Report – Jo

- Savings account continues to collect interest
- \$329 sale of shirts
- Across the Brooke Payments received
- Money for par ringer.
- Beginning balance \$13,301.90
- Ending balance: \$13,926.79
- Marcy moves to approve the treasurer's report: Deb 2nd. Treasurer report passed. Approved.

Old Business

Review of New Registration Procedures for MPLN Events with Meals Helen:

- Jo has seen some issues. Lunch only and golf and lunch. People are getting confused.
- For BAF people are bringing members, and that confuses the pairings.
- If you are a member: sign up – other member signs up themselves.
- ½ memberships is paying for the friend they bring.'
- Jo will send list to Helen of everyone signed up – so everyone can confirm their choices.
- Helen will be in Europe at the cut off time. Denise can send it out but will send copy to Helen. People will get back to Jo if there is an issue.
- Helen asked 3 people –but will let Jo handle the ads since the sign up does not allow for more than one friend.

Recruitment and retention committee Denise:

- Denise passed out update to those that didn't have one.
- Backside: summary of all suggestions received.

- At this time there is progress with our club: examples are:
 - 3 tables for breakfast after golf- Janet
 - Golf clinics- Ruth –
 - Happy Birthday – Helen
 - Cards who are ill or hurt – Caroline
 - We defined casual golf and clarified our role
 - Pick your partner day – March 18 – Caryl D
 - Mary and Linda miles – thanks for making new people feel comfortable and welcome
 - Joyce D – flyers in bathrooms and website
 - Hosted town meeting.
 - Thanks to Helen for working with Mike to get it on the schedule for today.

- Becky Lima and Janet Drake – Happy hours – April 29th
- Hosting event with other clubs. Something in the fall. Need chairperson.
- Many members have stepped up and helped. Give them a thanks when you see them.

Town Hall Meeting-

- Mike and Wayne gave us pros and cons of changing a day of golf for us.
 - A change of day needs to be decided by membership.
 - A discussion was held with main points being:
 - How do we get the ballot to members?
 - Marla and Barbara said they would help tally,.
 - Jo asked if she could speak to Mike and see if a ballot could be on 4 Tees.
 - Mike needs to meet with 18ers in May first.
 - A vote could be held after that.
 - Barbara said they have done voting in the past, and used electronic methods.
 - Marcy said: Yes, No or I don't care, could be the way the vote is presented.
 - What would the "I don't care" votes mean? Go with the majority or be thrown out.
 - Helen asked what if some members would leave? We are hoping to increase our membership and not have people leave the league.
 - If no – would you leave the league?
 - WE need 2/3 vote to be positive. 40/60. Needs to be a majority
 - Laura: agreed with Marcy –
 - Committee would need to make parameters and questions. Bring it back to next board meeting.
 - Linda has asked Mike: if we lost a lot of members due to vote could we change? Answer was yes.
 - Rita asked about calendar for 26. How does this impact next year's calendar?
 - Sandi – Denise was collector of responses on how to retain people. How many people asked about the change of day? Denise: 50 or so, How many of those were concerned about day of week we play? Denise did not know. Sandi continued that it needs to be cautious how we proceed.
 - Sue said 2 new people at their table today – club championship brunch - were shocked to hear about it.
 - Helen said: we brought it up due to R and R.
 - No people asked about social hours or happy hours but more asked about day change. This was to open up communication.
 - This is an open line of communication to flow both ways.
 - Worry about fracturing the club and people will lose friendships.
 - Mary liked that Mike spoke about all the other influences that could have a positive outcome if a day of play was changed: Rooms, catering etc.
 - *It is not a problem it is an option or opportunity.*
 - Marcy asked Caroline: should we drop the issue and not even have a vote?
 - Caroline said I don't want people to quit. We want more people to join the league.
 - Sue – agreed we could wait and see what the other group does. (18ers)
 - Sandi said change of days might be a can of worms. Good things, like clinics would be a better thing to move forward with.
 - Kay – Troon's contract expires July 25, 2025. Troon has not locked in development of Preserve. Is Troon pushing the move so outsiders can play on our courses?
 - Revenue side and Groups preferences on day of play would probably not be an issue this year.
 - Rita – Troon will get 1 yr extension – good positive year might be positive to wait to see because shift in day would be less necessary.
- Voting procedures regarding change of day play –Table discussion until after Mike speaks with 18ers. Bring discussion back to the table in the fall.

Bring a Friend Update – Lorelee

- Not attending
- Ok to dress up and it's about FUN
- Over 50 signed up

Putting Clinic Update- Ruth

- Not attending
- Over 30 participants
- Wayne spoke on general principals and how to practice.
- Happy Hour afterwards.
- Next one is Chipping Clinic May 21st – 3:00 Happy Hour 4:15

Holly Jolly Update-Sue

Going well. Meeting on the 17th

New Business

2024 Audit; Laura Benson

- Laura complimented Jo as being Treasurer she has kept very good books.
- Took care of 2 fraud incidents
- Transferred to savings larger amount so earning interest.
- This will be a hard year with food and 4 Tees and she has good spreadsheets.
- Good audit no problems.
- Side note: Large metal club signs have been given to the Library at HOA 1 and 2. They will get new inserts. They have new life.

Club Championship and Presidents Cup: Mary

- Asknig to increase the winnings of Club Championship and Presidents Cup.
- \$100 to 1st place winner.
- Kathy: 2nd and 3rd place should also win a monetary certificate.
- Denise: suggest retroactive to this year.
- Mary suggests \$100 for 1st. 2nd: \$75 and 3rd \$50
- Caroline said 100, 50 and 25 times 2 times a year.
- Marcy agreed that these are the 2 most important events
- Denise moves to move to \$100, \$75 and \$50 retroactively for 2025 year. Caroline seconds it. Motion approved.
- Rita said will change standing rules.
- Tie for 2nd and 3rd place will score card playoff.

Happy Hour; April 29 – Marcy's home 3:30-5:30

- BYOB, finger food appetizers to share.

Chipping Clinic; May 21

- Details will follow
- Helen got a call from HOA 1 Niners- they will set the calendar or meet first together before planning next year.

Committee Reports:

Pairings--Caryl, Deb, Becky, Maria, Raye, Linda M.
Nothing to report

AGA Liaison—Helen

We have had 1st state Medallion –
Will get results

Webteam--Joyce D. and Kathy S.,

- Joyce met with Kathy and Marcy and went over how to post calendar and flyers and how to add information to a flyer. We also went over how to update the member list and Kathy did that once she was home on her own. Progress!
- It was requested that we move the sponsors above the tee sheets/score cards/winner/calendars so that more members can see it and use it. That was done.

Outside Invitationals—Mary

- Last invitational at the Ranch: they are full.
- Good attendance on the others.

Social—Barbara & Marcy

Nothing to report

Publicity—Eileen

Nothing to report

Partners for Par—Mary

- 1 lady who finished: Ann Marie Wagner

Par/Ringer—Barbara

- Everyone is doing well

Membership—Rita

- 8 shirts have been sold of the dozen ordered. Only 4 left. Approached Mike and the color is no longer available.
- Troon sponsor, who helped us is no longer with Troon.
- We don't want to buy new shirts every year. Hoping to keep this one for at least 2.

Sponsors and Sign—Sandi & Eileen

- Met a few times, and got Desert Pharmacy.
- Have not paid the club.
- Sandi had a question: how many sponsors do we want? Target number?
- Jo stated asking started in Fall and that was for \$\$ for the following year.
- \$5200 per year is our break even point.
- Wendy Harn came to the brunch and did a good job.
- Helen asked should we ask more sponsors to present ?
- Small plaque for thank you

Handicaps--Louise and Janet

Not present

Rules--Kay, Sue W.

- Kay – had a call: asking about Tony Fino putt and his 2 strokes. She asked how do I say in my casual golf group that you did it wrong? Casual play catches us and is watched by our friends.

- Mary asked about the putting clinic about a dead hole of the ball. (Previous hole plug) You cannot move it. As a league we do not have permission to move it.

Open Discussion/address rumors

- Marcy would like to present the Club Championship trophy at the Bring a Friend luncheon. The vase will be engraved and presented.

Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 1:59 pm.

Next board meeting is **May 6, 2025** in the **CATALINA ROOM** @1 p.m.

Joyce Deutsch
Secretary