

MPLN Board Meeting Minutes
December 9, 2025
Mountain View Cactus Room 1:00 PM

Members Present: : Helen Biggs, Barbara Bloch, Jo Carter, Raye Cobb, Mary Cummins, Joyce Deutsch, Caryl Dowell, Janet Drake, Becky Lima, Denise Gilliat-Norgard, Rita Smith, Eileen Snearly, Marcy Tixier, Kay Tomaszek, Caroline Whitt, Sue Wilson.

Guests: Loralee Horwedel, Jackie Webster

Call to Order: Helen called the meeting to order at 1:03 pm.

- **Approval of Minutes of November 11, 2025 Board Meeting** – Motion to accept November Minutes was made by Denise: 2nd Caryl. No debate/discussion. Motion approved.
- **Approval of Minutes of December 2, 2025 Business Meeting**- Motion made by Marcy to accept the Business Meeting Minutes: 2nd Barbara B. Motion has been made. No debate/discussion. Motion approved

Treasurer's Report

- Beginning Balance\$10037.96
- Payouts were \$888.52
- Income was \$735.74
- Ending Balance was: \$988518
- There is a balance in the checkbook of: \$135.07
- Balance in Savings: \$9750.11
- Caryl moves to accept the Treasurers report for November. Sue 2nd
No discussion. Motion approved.

Approval of 2026 Budget-

- Denise makes a motion to approve the 2026 budget. Janet 2nd.
Debate/Discussion: Rita: \$35 for membership = \$1700 – Jo put in \$40.
- Rita has 3 shirts left \$140 possible future income.
- Jo budgeted 60 members. Currently we are 50.

Adjust the budget as discussed. Rita motions to agree with Jo's suggestions to the 2026 budget. Caryl 2nd. Motion carried.

Old Business

Approval of Standing Rules Event Planning for Special Events - Rita Smith

- Red part of Event Planning for Special Events was discussed at the last board meeting. Blue part was added because we don't host all of the events. Rita made a motion to approve Standing rules with changes made this month and last, (red and blue) – Marcy 2nd. No further discussion.
- Motion carried.

Holly Jolly Update - Sue Wilson

- Helen thanked Sue for the great event. Fabulous Weather. 55 people. Old members came, excellent speaker – Beads of Courage- \$1117.00 was raised. Will present check in Jan. 40 members golfed. Table decorations were beautiful.

Board Vacancies - Denise Gilliat-Norgard

- Full slate of officers.

Membership Survey Results - Jo Carter, Barbara Bloch, Marcy Tixier

- Rita stated 'some people thought this was the vote' It was in email that this was a survey.
- Caryl was disappointed that some people responded inappropriately.
- 51 people responded.
- Becky asked if the committee knew who emailed. Only Jo knew the emails and deleted them.
- Marcy said people join the league knowing Tuesday and AM is our day of play.
- Denise voiced- the bottom line we own the golf club and the course. However the 18'ers have more people, they spend more money. Our club is smaller.
- Because the vote was 50/50 and keep it as it is for now. Not a decision a board makes. It would take a member vote.
- Mary asked if the vote would happen would there be an amount that needed to be reached for it to go one way or the other.
- The bylaws say majority of membership.
- Denise also thanked the committee who set up the survey and the response.
- It was mentioned that the Day and Time should be consistent as day of play, time of play in winter and summer would be confusing.
- Caroline reminded everyone that everything must be in writing. Shotguns and outside play could conflict
- Resurvey again in the spring since the vote was so close was one suggestion brought up by the group.

- Marcy made a motion to table any decision of changing the day of play while continuing to monitor the feelings of the membership in the coming year. No decision will be made without a vote of the entire membership at large. Joyce 2nd. No further discussion. Motion so moved.

New Business

MPLN Plaques in the Pro Shop - Marcy Tixier

- Several plaques are hanging in the Pro Shop. Are they necessary? Is it an expense we need to keep? Marcy asked would a bulletin board be possible.
- Mike said No- too hard to keep up.
- Mike said he would put up Hole in One pictures if the plaques were gone.
- Rita said keeping data on the history is necessary – maybe to 2000.
- Caryl asked why we can't have a place for Leagues. Right now our bulletin boards are in the bathrooms. Not very professional.
- Denise said all golf groups should be able to see who plays here.
- Eileen said she always kept the bulletin board up with current images. Keeping it off – and only on website shows us we are not as important.
 - Marcy made a motion that MPLN discontinue the plaques in the Pro Shop. Jo 2nd. Removing the plaques from the Pro Shop. Further discussion: Barbara said - if plaques are taken down – then we have nothing to show the history of the club Rita amended the motion to add the information on the websites so there will be a history of the MPLN.. Denise second- Motion approved.
- We need to investigate how to have a better presence in the Pro Shop. They do allow the black boxes on the wall – maybe which would be a good space. Marcy said we also need to lobby the other golf groups to address this concern. Ask the golf committee for other interest.
- Rita said her email is incorrect under the 4 Tees website. She will ask Julie to fix it.

Committee Reports:

❖ Pairings – Caryl, Deb, Becky, Maria, Raye & Linda M

Apologies for yesterday's mix-up getting the correct papers on the website/Pro shop etc. Always check email.

❖ **AGA Liaison – Helen B.**

- 2 Members to State Medallion. Jo Carter and Maria Miller.

❖ **Web team – Joyce D., Kathy S. & Marcy T.**

- How much data (board meeting minutes, etc.) is necessary on the website after Dec 31, 2025.
- Caryl suggested starting over for the 2026 and adding minutes as needed monthly.
- Joyce will add History tab for members to the website in the coming month.

❖ **Outside Invitationals – Mary C.**

- Oro Valley Wed: March 18, 2026,
- HOA 1 = Tues March 31, 2026

❖ **Social – Barbara B. & Marcy T.**

- Wrapped up Holly Jolly
- Annual dinner. Becky will take over Social for Barbara and Marcy.

❖ **Publicity – Eileen S.**

- Thank you for that great article in The Record.
- Joyce asked about the Holly Jolly pictures for website and Eileen will send.

❖ **Partners for Par – Mary C.**

- One new lady: Jennie Citron.

❖ **Par/Ringer – Barbara B.**

- Few more weeks – going well will send out at annual dinner.
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❖ **Membership – Rita S. & Janet D.**

- 49 renewals. 1 is handicap only. 4 probably will renew and 2 new members. Moira Morris and Dorothy Moore.

❖ **Sponsors & Signs – Sandi D. & Eileen S.**

- \$ is coming in.
- Eileen showed the frame for the sponsor board. Board is \$110. Sponsors would be on the bottom and Sponsor for the Month on the top. The company will design the images.

- Denise has been putting out the large banner. Denise asked can we put something on the back like Welcome MPLN.
- ❖ **Handicaps – Louise B. & Janet E.**
 - Nothing to report
 - Janet: \$800 estimate for monies. Budget is \$1000,
- ❖ **Rules – Kay T. & Sue W.**
 - Kay discussed how people can politely discuss when they disagree with a score or a stroke count.
 - ALWAYS put 2 balls in play if there is a question about how to apply the proper rule. Don't sign the card. If you sign the card then you can't change it. Seek out Kay, Sue, Mike or Wayne .Just say it nicely. Drop 2 balls and find the rule people.
 - Denise asked should we have a Rules Question of the week on the website and/or in Niner notes.
 - Helen said maybe Phil Gray could give a class on rules.
 - Caryl also said the survey comments showed good insight people need to be on the same page. People need to play by the rules. When you play Invitationals you need to play by the rules.
 - There is \$\$ in this and we shouldn't embarrass ourselves or the league.

Open Discussion

- Rita asked a question from a member: can the calendar for 2027 be shared sooner so people can know not to be out of town during those events. Helen said for 2026 – sometimes things change.
- Presidents Cup needed to change due to overseeding. Sept/Oct
- Denise: registered for Activity Fair.
- Putters have contacted us. May 11, 2026
- R and R 2026- We are a golf league.
 - Ruth will do clinics + social hour
 - Becky will work on Meet and Great
 - Need someone who can coordinate the R & R group
- Jo asked please send info to Jo, Caryl and Rita on who is running each group.
- Mike approached Helen and said that Julie from the Pro Shop who has been checking us in will be joining our league as well as 18ers.

- Kay asked: ;where did our big trophy's go? No one knew at this time. It is assumed they were taken by the Pro Shop and they have not told us where they put them. Maybe at the time Troon became involved this happened.

Adjournment- at 2: 25 pm

Next board meeting: January 6, 1 p.m. Saguaro room

Respectfully submitted

Joyce Deutsch

Secretary