

MPLN Board Meeting Minutes

October 14, 2025

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

Guest: Lorelee Horwedel, Pamela Partrick, Ginger Cannon.

Call to Order by Helen Biggs. 1:00 PM

Minutes of September 9, 2025, Board Meeting - Helen

- Caryl asked to clarify the September minutes as some of the information was confusing for members who might not have been there. Discussion resulted in amending the minutes and resubmitting them via email for approval.
- Joyce D motioned to make minutes more concise. Denise 2nd – motion carried and will be approved by email.

September Treasurer's Report-Jo

- Beginning balance: \$10,805.21 Ending balance : \$10,037.59 Saddlebrooke Ranch wasp the only payout, there was interest income. Barbara motioned to approve treasurers report
- Caroline 2nd. Motion so moved.

Old Business

President's Cup – Caroline Whitt; November 4 & November 11, 2025

- Everything is set.

Retention & Recruitment Report-Denise

- Ranch event was a big hit. Well received. Denise and Helen will to the Ranch and see about setting up for a casual day of play either there or here.
- Feedback please email Denise: Question: should we do this again?
- There are some misgivings about our group. Some are:
 1. Join the 9ers and then graduate to 18ers.
 2. We stopped putting out our banners
 3. Should we have a happy hour and show up in our shirts?
 4. Please - feedback at annual meeting – feedback would be helpful

Golf Clinic Update-Helen

- Date was changed due to over seeding. Nov 5

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

- Modified from what we discussed last time.
- There was discussion on how anonymous the questionnaire would be.
- Only Marcy and Jo will see the data - Jo will delete the 'sender line' so only data will be shown.
- Questionnaire will go out Nov 1st – back by 15th.

Holly Jolly update - Sue Wilson; December 2, 2025

- On track, on budget – Flyer will come out one month before event.

Drop Zone update-Kay & Sue

- Drop Zone and Tee Box updates were clarified.

Tee Box Update-Kay & Sue

- For more information see rules.
- Helen said she spoke to Mike about AGA and contact about updates:
- Loralee mentioned Phil Gray likes to teach rules.
- Would be happy to help Ladies who would be interested.

New Business

AZ Golf Interclub report

- Interest of **InterClub**: Handicap limited. If interested see Helen.
- Cap Patrol software – Does not fit our league.
- Caryl suggested we do an audit once or twice a year to make sure people are posting scores as per AGA rules.

Nominating committee report-Helen

- Denise, Caroline and Eileen, Jackie Webster and Rita Smith and Jo Carter.
- Helen will send out slate of officers by Nov 2.
- Denise Gilliat-Norgard: President
- Janet Drake Vice President
- Co VP – a few people are being considered.
- Treasurer: Jo Carter

- Secretary- Jackie Webster.

Committee Reports:

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

- Caryl: going well. Please Put in Niner notes:
 - Cancel golf as soon as you know you will cancel and call both **pairings and Pro shop.**
- Becky also said she calls someone she plays with so they know not to wait.
- If you find yourself in a two-some – let Pairings know ASAP
- Becky is leaving Pairings end of year and Rita Smith will help out during the summer.
- Maybe course will open sooner – then it would be regular game

AGA Liaison – Helen

- State Medallion Jan 9, 2026, Sonoran course- deadline Dec 1st.
- One more qualifier and then determine 2 people who will represent us.
- Will announce at Holly Jolly.

Web team – Joyce D., Kathy S. and Marcy

- Nothing to report
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Outside Invitationals – Mary

Nothing to report

Social – Barbara and Marcy

- Everything is ready for Pres Cup brunch.
- Helen asked if Annual dinner room reserved. Yes room reserved – need to get together for food choices.

Publicity – Eileen

- Nothing to report

Partners for Par – Mary

- One new member and Caryl will be partner: Jan Glisson

Par/Ringer – Barbara

- Nothing to report

Membership – Rita and Janet

- One new member: Jan G.
- Janet has everything for orientation Opened Oct 1.

Sponsors & Signs – Sandi & Eileen

- **Sandi** asked if sponsors can have a ‘reduced rate’ if they don’t want to join for a full year. Everyone agreed to reduce payment by % of months that year. They would not be in the booklet, however could be added to the website.
- Letters going out – How many special events do sponsors help out with? 6.
- Does this need to be voted on or just do it? This will be a next year issue.
- **Eileen:** if someone wants to join ahead of time: Join now; Oct get Nov and Dec free. We do not update booklet or website until January. New sponsors would then start in January.
- We do not change the booklets with information midyear. We can put their logo on the website and on the tee sheets when it is their month.
- Eileen wanted clarification on plaques vs certificate. There is money for a certificate in a frame.
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Handicaps – Louise and Janet

- Nothing to report

Rules – Kay and Sue

- Discussion was had over people not counting strokes correctly and that feelings are hurt when incorrect scoring is made.
- Caryl- **please document: send it to her.** She will keep it anonymous and keep a record. This way we will have data. **Do not sign the scorecard if you don’t agree with the scores** and let Caryl know.
- As we hope to see New members join us: New members might make the mistake before they are familiar with the Local Rules. Be kind and help them.
- Mary Cummins - Partner for Par – helps new people with rules and course. It is more difficult for new members who have never been in a league.

Open Discussion

- Jo: New members: do we have to play from yellow tees? No – they can play from where they are comfortable. They cannot change week to week.

Adjournment

Jo moves to adjourn at 2:20. Sue 2nd. Meeting adjourned.

Next board meeting

November 11, 1 p.m. Cactus Room

Submitted by
Joyce Deutsch
Secretary