

MPLN Board Meeting January 14, 2025 1:00 Cactus Room

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

Call to order Helen Biggs, President called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm

Minutes of December Board meeting –Helen asked for any changes to the December Board meeting minutes. Jo Carter motioned to accept and Laura Benson 2nd. The motion carried.

December Treasurer's Report – Jo

- There was a revision to the Holly Jolly final budget; it showed a final number of \$65.55 savings to the budget plan.
- Savings continue to accrue interest.
- Balance as of 12/31/2024 is \$15,614.76. This includes the balance in savings and checking.

Old Business

Recruitment and retention committee – Helen and Denise

- Have had a casual meeting. Denise will head the next meeting.

Events/meal signup on Foretees – Marcy

- We are the only golf group that does not utilize Four Tee's sign up and food check. It would make it much easier for Jo, Treasurer. Mike Karpe would be happy to show us for our next event how the program works.
- Day of play is chosen. Meal is chosen if it is an event, dietary needs are also accounted for as well as meal choice. This is then charged to your house account.
- Question came up if someone doesn't have a house account, then it would be paid by personal check.

Guests at Holly Jolly:

- It has been brought to the board if potential members and retired Niners can play golf at Holly Jolly.
- Joyce D said that our standing rules states: Guests may not play in major tournaments (President's Cup, etc.). The **etc.** needs to be defined so that there is no misunderstanding.
- Helen opened up the discussion. Rita said she would change the Standing Rules document after the Board voted to include: Presidents Cup, Club Championship, Ace of the Year and Holly Jolly to clarify the '**etc**'.
- The vote was unanimous except for 1 who felt that Holly Jolly was a nice event to allow all to participate. Joyce D motioned to approve 4 tournaments to club members only. Caryl D. 2nd.
- Motion carried.

New Business:

- Helen asked for \$100 to be spent for the Annual Dinner decorations. Marcy clarified that the last month \$600 had been allocated for Annual Dinner gifts – which \$450 was spent and \$150 was remaining so Helen could use that.

Adjustment to revised budget

- Under Gifts: gifts to outgoing board changed budgeted expense to \$450 from \$600 and added an event supplement line for the annual dinner of \$150. Net to budget, no change. Just reallocated.

2025 Budget Revised; vote to approve motion by Joyce D and Second by Caryl D. Motion carried.

Board Meeting Changes:

- Helen asked to change the following dates for Board meetings as she is a Snowbird.
- May 13 to May 6 & Oct 14 to Oct 21
- Joyce D, Secretary stated she would not be in town May 6. She will find an alternate to take notes.
- Dates changed.

Committee Reports:

Pairings--Caryl, Deb, Becky, Maria, Raye, Linda M.

- Caryl asked to make sure everyone arrives 30 minutes before their tee time.
- Have score cards in hand.
- There should be 2 score cards as well as 1 doing golf genius per round for a foursome.
- Having the score card in hand is necessary for groups that might be switched at the last minute. This allows each person to know their pops in case a group is switched from the original time.
- If only 2 people from the group are from an original group – 2 new groups – then everyone signs the others score sheets as well.
- Caryl will write a summary for Helen to put in the Niner Notes.

AGA Liaison—Helen

- Thank you to Janet Ekkert and Joyce Deutsch who represented MPLN at the State Medallion last Friday, January 10, 2025.
- Janet shared it was a fun event.
- Next week HOA 1 is having their RULES meeting. A few of our Niners are going. Caryl added our Pros are always willing to have a rules review for our ladies if warranted.

WebTeam--Joyce D. and Kathy S.,

- Nothing to report

Outside Invitationals—Mary

- 4 Invitationals are on the website

Social—Barbara & Marcy

- Marcy shared everything is under control for Annual Dinner
- Pros will not be comp'd from now on at any meal event. If they are invited this will come out of our budget.
- Barbara said she is in charge of Holly Jolly and Bring A Friend.
- Marcy will handle the other events.

Publicity—Eileen

- Nothing to report

Partners for Par—Mary

- Wanda Brown joined the Niners for 2025. This is the third year she has joined, but she has never played.
- Marty Wilkes played her first game; Barb Wallace has played two games and is finished. Kim Webb hasn't played any games yet.

Par/Ringer—Barbara

- Nothing to report. Barbara is ready for Annual Dinner and will have new sign ups.

Membership—Rita

- We have 57 members and 3 Associate members.
- New member Debbie Colson. She had been a handicap only for a couple of years. Now she joined as a regular member. However, she and her husband are snowbirds from Wisconsin and both of their mothers in WI are in poor health. They will likely not be in Saddlebrooke much this year so she will not be golfing with us.

Sponsors and Signs—Jo, Sandi & Eileen

- Thank you to Jo for making the wonderful sponsor signs which are used on Tuesday as well as on scorecards and on the website.
- Sponsor total collected for 2025 year is \$5325.
- Wendy Harn, Attorney and Estate Planner would like to come speak to our league when there is a chance. Next event in April might be a good time.

Handicaps--Louise and Janet

- Nothing to report

Rules--Kay, Sue W.

- Kay asked how many people are attending the Rules Seminar put on by HOA 1. Feedback was about 6 or 7 from our league.

- Kay also reminded members that if they have rules questions, they can contact her or Sue Wilson or Wayne.

Open Discussion/address rumors

- Lorelee asked if every event needs to have a charity or can some of the events just bring more monies back to the members.
- After discussion it was left up to the individual chairperson if a charity was donated to.
- Our mission statement does support selected charities that benefit women's and children's causes.
- Sandi Dickmann asked if she could provide a survey for Sponsorships at the Annual Awards Dinner. After discussion, the Board approved her request.

Adjournment: 2:24 pm.

- Jo Carter motioned and Denise 2nd. Meeting adjourned.

Next board meeting is February 11, 2025 in the CACTUS ROOM

Submitted by

Joyce Deutsch, Secretary