

Brudenell Golf Association

Monthly Meeting May 16, 2024

In attendance: Joe Brown, Kris O'Brien, Brian Harding, Thomas Donahoe, Bob Jones, Jim Hatton, Ken Beck, Kathy Steen, Sean Halley, Michael Brown

Regrets: Josie Jackson, Patty Campbell

Absent: None

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM

A call was made for additions to the agenda, and the following items were added to New Business. Preferred time Draw, Association Dues, Scholarship, Match Play, Servers Licenses

With these additions, Ken B. moved to approve the Agenda, which was seconded by Kathy Steen. The motion carried.

Kris O'Brien distributed the minutes of the April 25, 2024, meeting to the group before the meeting. The group discussed errors and omissions.

The motion to approve the minutes as distributed was made by Kris O, seconded by Thomas D., and the motion was carried.

Kathy Steen was in attendance to represent the Ladies' Association. Kathy is temporarily filling in for Janet Joyce as Ladies' President as Janet Joyce had to step down due to some personal family issues.

Business Arising from the Minutes

Increased Insurance

- Bob indicated that with the move of our policy to Charlottetown, the new office had a difficult time tracking down our policy. In fact, they

just located it today. Bob is waiting for a quote on the increased insurance and will report to the board when he receives it.

Road Sign

- The Road sign is up at the clubhouse's entrance, and it looks great. We hope to plant flowers around it to make it even more appealing.

The Rural Growth Initiative update was tabled until the next meeting in Patty's absence.

2023 AGM

- We decided that the AGM would be held on Friday, June 7th, at 7:00 PM at the members' Clubhouse, with the President's reception to follow.
- Kris will reach out to Eastern Graphic to place an ad, and we will post this on our website. We will also ask PEIFG to add the AGM to the upcoming Newsletters.
- Directors must submit reports for the committee and tournaments for which they are responsible. Kris will email everyone their list of responsibilities.

Liquor License

- Bob updated us that we are getting closer, but it is not yet complete. We do have a permit for the Early Bird Tournament, and we will not need a different permit for the President's reception, as the drinks are complimentary.
- We are still waiting on the requirements that the liquor commission expects us to comply with in order to have a full license. Ultimately, we hope we do not have to spend much money to comply.
- With the liquor license, it was determined that we would like to have a point-of-sale system to accept credit/debit cards. To do this, we will require an internet connection. Bob indicated we had a \$1500 donation from Steve Jamison / Amac toward the renovations, and he would like to use it to get TV and Internet. Becks Auto Body has also agreed to sponsor another \$1000 to cover the Point-of-sale system.

This is very generous, and we appreciate their support of the Association.

Association Dues

- A Discussion was held about raising the association fees. It was decided to table the discussion until one of the later meetings in the season and then make a recommendation to PEIFG for the 2025 season.

ByLaw Review

- The final version of the Bylaws was distributed to the board for final review. Kris asked if any new changes were required.

With no further changes, Kris O, seconded by Michael B, moved to present the new ByLaws to the membership at the AGM for final acceptance and ratification.

New and Returning Board Members

- Mike Brown agreed to put his name forward for another 2-year term on the board, and Sean Halley agreed to 1 additional year.
- This brings the list to Ken Beck, Brian Harding, Kris O'Brien, Mike Brown, and Sean Halley, who put their names forth at the AGM to return as Board Members. Patty Campbell has agreed to put her name forth to join the board as a regular member. Patty was on the board as she served as Ladies' President.
- We need 1 - 2 new members to fill out the board. Typically, the Nomination committee is headed by the past president; however, in Jim B.'s absence, Joe Brown and Sean Halley have agreed to head the committee. These names need to be brought up for nomination at the AGM.

Finance Report

- Revenue
 - Cash in the Bank - \$4578.90
 - GIC balance is just over \$16,000
 - Donations from AMAC—Steve Jamison—\$1500 and Becks Auto Body—\$1000 will offset the bar's Internet, TV, and POS system costs.
 - We will begin seeing revenue this month, as the Early Bird is at the end of the month.
- We need to get a third signatory on the bank account. We did have a third (Chris Hartley), but his departure left Joe B. and Bob J. as the only signatories. Al MacKinnon brought this up as a concern when he reviewed the financial statements for the upcoming AGM. Sean Halley has agreed to be the third signatory. Thank you, Sean.

Brian Harding moved to remove Chris Hartley from the signatory list on the Brudenell Golf Club Association Bank account and add Sean Halley. Ken Beck seconded the motion, which was approved by all.

With this, Sean Halley made a motion to move acceptance of the financial report as presented and seconded by Brian H., which was approved by all.

Website

- We need a way to capture the membership's email addresses, as we could not get them from PEIFG.
- Kris will put a link on the website encouraging everyone to provide the association with their email address. We will also have a sign-up at the AGM.
- We will also send PEIFG some content to add to their newsletter.

New Business

- **The Preferred Time Draw** will be Friday, May 24—at 6:00 PM for Saturday and 6:15 for Sunday times. Good luck to all members. Hopefully, everyone gets the time and day they desire.
- **Scholarship.** Thomas D indicated that he has reached out to the family of Harry Simmonds, and they indicated that they would continue the scholarship in their father's name. They also indicated they would like to increase the contribution to \$1000 annually. This is very generous, and we appreciate it. The new criteria is being distributed now.
- **Match Play** did not happen last year due to a lack of interest. Sean decided to try a team format, 4 Ball or 2 Ball, to see if a team event would generate interest. He will still insist on a minimum number of teams before the event proceeds. He will contact the Pro Shop with the details to get the information out to the membership.
- **Responsible Server Course**—We need more volunteers to come forward with their Servers' course. The Association will cover the \$50.00 fee. Holland College offers the course online.
- **Additional Cleaning**—We are looking for volunteers to clean out the cupboards. They are the only part of the clubhouse that has not been cleaned over the winter. It would be appreciated if anyone knows anyone who would take this task on.

The next board meeting will be on June 20, 2024

There being no further business, moved for adjournment by Sean Halley at the call of the chair. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Kris O'Brien

