

Sterling Farms Men's Club, Inc.
Minutes of Meeting
March 11, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM by Bruce Nishball who chaired the meeting.

Board Members Present:

Bruce Nishball	Bill Lombardo	Frank Hendricks	
Jim Romaniello	Ed Roloff	Sean Sullivan	
Dean Pedon	Tom Aberle	Josh Fedeli	Ian Boccaccio

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the February meeting. Frank Hendricks made the following correction to the February minutes:

Per the February minutes, the following statement was incomplete: A suggestion was made to invite Rick (?) from the MGA to our next meeting.

The correction made by Frank Hendricks was that the individual's name is Ron Drapeau, Executive Director of the CSGA. Frank noted that we are isolated in the lower part of Fairfield county and that a discussion with Ron would be advantageous. In addition, Frank Hendricks mentioned that Ron Drapeau is the former president of Callaway Golf Company.

The minutes from the February meeting were then approved.

The minutes from the special meeting held on February 26th were then approved.

Bruce Nishball then reported that the new website is up, agreement with vendor signed, glitches appear to be resolved, and the website is in use. He noted:

- 103 people registered on the website
- 20 people paid by credit card

A discussion then ensued regarding the viewability of the schedule by non-members. Bill Lombardo confirmed that anyone can look at the tournament schedule without signing up. Jim Romaniello then noted that Bruce Nishball's photo was creating a buzz about the club in Stamford.

It was then discussed that the Mens' club link to the tee time link may require a disclaimer. It was finally agreed that NO disclaimer is necessary.

Bruce Nishball then commented that the website is a work in progress and will continue to become more user friendly.

It was then commented that there were 33 letters sent via regular mail for members who do not have internet access.

A technology discussion then continued with regard to the hosting of the website. The following points were raised:

- First Advantage Solutions is out of the picture as of 3/31
- Network Solutions is now hosting email and call forwarding the website address.
- Blast capability is available within the website
- One of the hosting packages is listing all email addresses. It was agreed that this was a privacy issue and that Sean Sullivan and Bruce Nishball would meet off-line to discuss the proper resolution

Tom Aberle was then given the floor and reported the following:

- The website will be mentioned in Sunday's paper
- Tom will email the proposal to the board for a point-weighted, season-long tournament, similar to the Fed Ex Cup. The board will discuss and vote on the tournament plan at the next meeting.

Bill Lombardo was then given the floor at which time he stated that the Grillo/Grillo tournament will not be a Mens club function.

The Treasurer's report was then given as follows:

- Five people paid at Pro shop, two of which were new members
- One person paid via website.

The New Member discussion was then underway.

The first order of business related to the details surrounding a planned event at a Norwalk practice facility. The details provided by Jim Romiello are as follows:

- Facility is an indoor practice facility
- \$20 is normal fee / \$10 special price granted for SFMC
- Jim plans to contact Chip to finalize date
- SFMC members to pay at facility on day of event

The second order of business was a discussion around this year's Masters party. Dean Pedon noted that more people would be available on Sunday, but that most people would rather be home watching. It was agreed that the event would be held on Saturday afternoon from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Ian Boccaccio then agreed to participate on the new member committee.

The "Unfinished Business" discussion ensued around club events. It was agreed that

- All four-man events were eliminated deliberately

- There will be a weekend event during the Shoreline. The event will be in alternate shot format
- Frank Hendricks noted that in a best ball of two players, there must be three members in group.

The “New Business“ discussion ensued around Charity. It was agreed that Jim Romaniello to chair special Charity committee and devise a plan for proposal to the board.

It was then noted that the charity should be golf focused. Josh Fedeli mentioned 1st Tee as an example. Jim Romaniello mentioned Special Olympics.

At 8:25 PM a motion was made to adjourn, which was seconded by Tom Aberle and passed in vote.

Ian Boccaccio

Temporary Replacement for Bob Feldman on March 11, 2008