

**RECREATION CENTERS OF SUN CITY, INC.**  
**Golf Advisory Committee**  
**December 27, 2018**

Co-Chair Dan Schroeder called the meeting to order at 8:30am in the Lakeview Social Hall #2.

**Present:** Co-Chair Dan Schroeder; Committee Members Mike Guzek (Lakes East); William Fitzpatrick (SCMGA President); Dennis Meeter (Quail Run); Loretta Kvarnberg (Lakes East); Dave Duffus (Willowcreek); Kathy Van Meveren (Lakes West); Ruth Melena (North); Alesia Brown (South); Marcia Grenier (Willowcreek); Dale Mondloch (Riverview)

**RCSC Staff:** Pro Shop Manager Chris Linam

**Guests:** RCSC Board President Jerry DeLano; Cardholders Nancy Gray, Joe Burd, Bob Shirck

**Absent:** Director of Golf Brian Duthu

**Prior Meeting Summary:** The Meeting Summary for November 15, 2018 was approved as presented.

**Brian Duthu, Director of Golf Report given by Pro Shop Manager Chris Linam:**

**Pro Shops**

The Beat the Pro event held on December 13<sup>th</sup> raised \$2,091.05 for the Sun City Foundation. Once again the event lived up to its name, with 47% of the field playing well enough to “Beat the Pro’s”. We give thanks to the volunteers that assisted with the event, John Dockham and Marty Rey. Thank you also to Chris Linam and Larry Belt for helping to secure prizes for the event. The biggest thank you goes to all those that participated in making the event fun and successful. The 2019 event will be held at South and we will be adding a couple of more wrinkles to add excitement to the event.

The free golf clinics, provided by our PGA and LPGA professionals, once again were well attended. For the month, 410 students attended the Saturday golf clinics that began in November and ran into December. Another set of free clinics will be offered in March.

The recommended changes to the ranger program are currently under review. Recommendations to accept the changes, in whole or in part, will be made at the January Golf Advisory meeting.

**Golf Courses**

Mowing heights are lowering slightly throughout the courses, particularly the greens. Bunkers throughout the courses are removing rye grass that may have germinated in bunkers. Bunker sand is added to bunkers on an as needed basis.

The construction of the South Clubhouse, has necessitated new putting/practice area. The putting green will remain roughly the same size as the previous green. The chipping/pitching green will be expanded to accommodate more players. The area will also provide an improved area for practice out of a bunker. In addition to the practice area, South will also be replacing bunker sand throughout the course. Sand will be completely removed from the bunkers, the liner will be fixed as needed and new sand will be added. The

work to the practice area and bunkers cannot begin until the Bermuda grass is actively growing, as such we are anticipating starting the project the middle of May.

### **Snack Shops**

Snack shop revenue in November was affected by the closure of the South Snack Shop during construction. Snack Shops are currently open every day from 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and serve breakfast and lunch. The only exceptions to the above times are during periods of inclement weather.

### **Chris Linam, Pro Shop Manager Report:**

#### **Pro Shops**

Pro Shops Merchandise sales ended November slightly behind budget due to South having minimal merchandise. Range sales were up so a big thanks for supporting RCSC.

If you have your 2020 league schedule set and have not got them to us yet please be sure to send it to me via email at [clinam@suncityaz.org](mailto:clinam@suncityaz.org) or in person so I can get it on the calendar. Don't forget to go to the Clubs Office January 2<sup>nd</sup> to book your rooms for your awards banquets and lunches. Also if you book a room at any of the centers and you are not going to use the room please be sure to cancel it with the Clubs Office. Each room can bring additional income for Sun City of around \$375.00 not to mention the manpower it takes to set up and tear down the room.

#### **Rangers**

Rangers have been having their hands full with the courses being busy and not having as many Rangers available as we need to work all shifts, so we ask for you to please keep in mind while you're playing to play ready golf and fill out your score cards on the next tee box. Please also help out our Superintendents by filling divots and fixing ball marks on the greens. If you decide to vacation in one of our many sandy beaches please remember to rake the beach when you're done. One of the biggest issues for golfers on the course besides the ball marks on the greens is players not raking the bunkers properly and when they exit not replacing the rakes properly in the bunkers. We ask that each of you help spread the word about proper bunker maintenance. We still only have 12-15 active Rangers, as always we ask for your help to spread the word about joining the team.

**SCMGA Report:** Nothing to report

#### **SCWGA Report:**

- **Ladies 9-Hole:** No Report
- **Ladies 18-Hole:** No Report

**Old Business:** The Committee voted to enact the local rule alternative to stroke and distance for a ball that is lost or out of bounds.

**New Business:** None

**Questions/Comments:** The Committee voted to request of the RCSC Board of Directors that cameras are installed at all golf cart parking areas located at each golf course.

**Course Reports:**

North            Great shape

South            Good shape

Quail            Really good shape

Lakes East      Good shape

Lakes West      Tee boxes have mud all around edges

Riverview       Excellent shape

Willowbrook    Looks good

Willowcreek    Renovation looks great

**Adjournment:** The Meeting was adjourned at 9:15am.

**Next Meeting:** January 17, 2019 at 8:30am – Lakeview Center Social Hall #2

Respectfully submitted,

Co-Chair Dan Schroeder, Acting Secretary