

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting  
of the  
SaddleBrooke Ranch Greens Committee  
Wednesday, May 4, 2022**

A regular meeting of the SaddleBrook Ranch Greens Committee (the "Committee") was held in The Lounge Room, Ranch House Grill, on Wednesday, May 4, 2022.

Committee Members present: Jean Cheszek, Chairperson; Judy Callahan, Randy Friedman, Toni Graves, Garry Knowling, Dave Maisch, Kevin McCarthy, Hal Peabody, George Price, John Whitehead.

Robson Staff present: Mark Giannonatti, Mike Jahaske, Ken Steinke and Aaron Thomas

The meeting was called to order at 8:05am by Jean Cheszek.

Minutes of the April 6, 2022 Meeting were approved.

**Course Maintenance-Aaron Thomas, Randy Friedman**

Several issues have been addressed during the last weeks: the danger to golfers that exists crossing Agarita between holes #12 and #13 may be solved by a larger stop sign. Dry spots on #5 and other brown spots are being hand watered. Snake danger should be referred to SBR Patrol 520.850.1698, the Fire Department xxx, or the Pro Shop 520.818.6403. Clocks will be installed on the range side of the pro shop building and perhaps on the rest area building between #14 and #15; trash receptacle is in place there. Bunker sand is being checked monthly.

A USGA agronomist visited 5/3 and noted greens and thatch improvements. Aaron plans to lay sod each week over the summer on desert edges of cart paths where needed. This week Aaron is applying herbicides on collars to reduce rye and encourage Bermuda.

We're currently under water allotments checked by the State; we use 100% of grey water provided, which represents about 1/4 of our water use per day. Our water usage is well within regulation, and supply is adequate currently and for the future.

Collars will remain non-overseeded in 2023 to control poa annua, and trimmed to fairway height. Non-overseeded fairways are in good shape. Current stemp meter readings are 9.5 to 10; greens will be rolled twice per week. On-line surveys are reporting good conditions at SBR.

Hole #9 maintenance building/restroom will be permanently closed on June.

Proposed changes to OB areas on #14 were approved and Mike Jahaske will determine the new position of the stakes. The red penalty area on #15 will be reinstated, and the proposed red penalty area on #17 was not approved. The red

penalty stakes on all the holes will be placed such that there is turf within the 2-club-length drop area.

There is a recommendation on #5 to use the gold/plum tee box as a drop area for balls that go into the pond. George Price and the Rules Committee will review the options and write the proposal.

The enlargement of Pine and Rust boxes will be addressed in June; Plum box sizes are acceptable. The gold boxes become overly firm in the winter and Aaron has added them to his watering schedule to soften. It is possible to flatten the boxes on #2 and all par 3s; Aaron will begin project in June.

### **Mark Giannonatti, Mike Jahaske, Ken Steinke**

Home sales remain strong; search for three acres for new Fire Department location continues; Ranch House Board Room will be repurposed. Andrea Marchus will be invited to the GC Committee Meeting on June 1, along with reps from all the SBR golf clubs.

Discussion continues for the third nine; various course lengths have been discussed.

All agreed that the culling system of replacing range balls is working well.

### **Jean Cheszek, 2022 SubCommittees**

#### **Grounds.**

**Rules and Handicap and Greens Committee Liaisons for MGA and WGA -** George Price and Toni Graves. George is standardizing Rules for upcoming MGA events Matchplay and Founders: Conditions of Competition. George and Toni will confer regarding similar choices for both clubs. Posting hole-by-hole on GHIN remains essential to establishing fair handicaps.

**Golf Experience, Social SubCommittee** - Garry Knowling, Judy Callahan, Hal Peabody. Tax and Hacks was attended by 36 players; Garry's helpful Survey showed the event was enjoyed, appreciated in most ways. The next social event will occur in July; higher participation is expected. Superintendent's Revenge theme was suggested.

**Pro Shop SubCommittee** - Dave Maisch, Judy Callahan. Week-long sale, WGA's Member/Guest and closed outdoor check-in resulted in record sales.

**Pace of Play SubCommittee** - Kevin McCarthy and Jean Cheszek. Two golf carts per round is working well.

**3 Year Plan SubCommittee.** John Whitehead is meeting with Mark, Mike and Ken; population and course capacity data gathering is ongoing.

The meeting was concluded at 10:12am.

The next meeting will be held at The Lounge, Ranch Grill House, at 8:00am on Wednesday, June 1, 2022.

Respectfully submitted, Toni Graves, Secretary