

G-CAT Board Meeting
July 20, 2020
3:00 p.m.

In attendance at Zoom meeting:

Larry Ransford
Loren Janulewicz
Teresa Anderson
Vic Evans (at Larry's house)
John Harnett
Bob Knudson
(Bob Ore was unable to connect)

- Minutes for the June 15, 2020, meeting were approved.
- Prior to the meeting, Larry Ransford emailed to the Board the financial statements for the month ending June 30, 2020, which he reviewed with the Board. Overall, golf course revenue has again increased substantially over the same time last year; and again, expenses were higher due to increased hiring of marshals, personnel to clean carts and rest rooms, including the porta-potties, and the purchase of sanitation supplies. Rounds of golf are up 36.7% over rounds in June of 2019 and are on track for July, 2020, rounds to exceed rounds in July, 2019. Sales revenues for green fees, cart rentals, etc. are up 66.17% over the same period (January through June) of 2019.
- Larry asked whether or not the golf course should be purchasing the disposable masks for employees and the Board agreed that disposable masks should be provided to all employees by the course.
- The driving range and putting green are now open. The driving range has been limited to irons and hybrid irons only. Although there are signs on the range to that effect, Larry and Audrey will look into larger signs. At this time, the mats on the range will remain at seven (rather than the usual 13) and only small buckets of balls will be allowed to encourage warmups before rounds but discourage prolonged practice. Loren requested that Larry attempt to find practice golf balls with a 50% limited flight with a view to allowing clubs other than irons and hybrid irons on the driving range.

Loren asked if the chipping area of the putting green could be opened and it was agreed that Bob Knudson would put a hole on the putting green in the chipping area and that the number of people chipping in the area at one time would be limited to two. Larry will ask Audrey Romero to have a sign made up to reflect the two person limit with a reminder about six foot social distancing.
- There was a discussion of when the pro shop should open with full services, i.e., sale of merchandise. It was decided that for the present, and for employee safety, merchandise sales in the pro shop will remain limited to balls and gloves.

- Outside tournaments were discussed and the Board agreed that there would not be any outside tournaments scheduled at this time due to COVID. Larry reported that he has already returned deposits from leagues who had previously scheduled tournaments with Ed. The issue of outside tournaments will be revisited in August and Loren asked Larry to provide him with a list of current leagues wanting tournaments at the golf course.
- Cart fees were discussed and the Board decided that cart fees of \$20 per rider would remain the same at this time rather than going back to \$16.00 per rider. Allowing push carts to be rented was also discussed and it was decided that they will not be allowed to be rented at this time.
- Daily cleaning of the restrooms, both inside the club house and the outside porta-potties, will continue for safety purposes and it is of good value to the course.
- Larry reported that Audrey is working on getting the windshields on the carts cleaned. Larry and Audrey are looking at new cart covers for this winter. Three different covers have been reviewed and they will determine which are best to order.
- Larry said the current charge for twilight golf which starts at 4:00 p.m is \$15.00 per person. The Board determined that the \$15.00 charge will remain the same for the remainder of the season.
- Loren asked for an update on turning the old pool area on the west side of the club house into a putting green, chipping area, and sand practice area. Larry reported that he had tried to contact Phelps-Atkinson Golf Design but had not received a return call. Larry said he will continue to try to make contact so the area can be viewed in order to come up with a design for these purposes.
- Loren discussed upgrades to the pro shop and club house, specifically, new carpet in the pro shop and hallway, as well as a new counter and display areas in the pro shop. The pro shop upgrades are on hold at this time but Larry will obtain bids for new carpeting.
- The Board discussed projects on the golf course, including:
 - Replacing the retaining wall along No. 2 fairway (for which Larry is obtaining bids);
 - Replacing the fence beside No. 6 tee box (for which a \$14,000 to \$16,000 bid has been obtained but for which Bob Knudson and Larry will follow up with other bids);
 - Installing more permanent restrooms on the back nine of the course in place of the existing porta-potties (for which Larry has prices and picture samples which he will distribute to the Board);
 - Completing the cart path from the ladies' tee box to the street on No. 10 (for which Bob Knudson will obtain bids); and
 - Repainting or replacing the monument signs on all 18 tee boxes as the pictures of the holes and distances have deteriorated and there is a need to add hole distances from the new forward (yellow) tee markers for which Larry will obtain bids.

Both Larry and Bob said they had been working on obtaining bids for work and were having difficulty getting responses from vendors.

Bob Knudson also reported that he has two men from his crew working on tree trimming of dead branches on the course.

- Because Board meetings will probably be held via Zoom for the foreseeable future, Larry reported that he is working on obtaining a subscription to Zoom (with Board approval) so that meetings can exceed the one-half hour free access Zoom currently provides.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30. Our next meeting will be Monday, August 17, 2020.