



Musing the Minutes

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MGCSA Secretary

The MGCSA Board of Directors met on September 11 at Somerset C.C.

Paul Eckholm, CGCS, reported that we are not satisfied with the accounting firm that we are using. We have been using this accounting firm for the last 10 years. Executive Director Scott Turtinen and Eckholm found Larsen Allen a new accounting firm that works with non-profit organizations. A motion was made by Paul Eckholm, CGCS to switch accounting firms to Larsen Allen. 2nd Rick Traver, CGCS. Paul also reported that we opened up a new account at Think Credit union. Currently we have a six-month CD with a 5% return. This CD will mature on December 12 at which time we will roll it.

President James Bade reported the University of Minnesota Field Day had a good turnout but very few MGCSA mem-

bers. Bade also stated that Kevin Clunis, CGCS reported that dues are a big issue in the GCSAA. GCSAA is looking at having smaller increases instead of one big increase every five years.

Tom Proshok reported the Awards & Recognition Banquet will be at Rush Creek Golf Club on December 5.

Paul Diegnau, CGCS reported that there is an excellent list of speakers scheduled for the Minnesota Green Expo. Diegnau also reported that he has sent in the requests for the Chapter-hosted GCSAA winter seminars.

Jeff Hartman reported there was a good turnout for the Vendor Meeting in July. Topics discussed were the Minnesota Green Expo along with the cost for Hospitality Night at the National Conference. The total cost for the night

could range from \$8,000 to \$10,000. Vendors thought there still should be a charge to all MGCSA members attending hospitality night. Tom Proshok made a motion for a charge of \$15 for pre-registered members and \$20 for walk-ins. Eckholm, CGCS 2nd

The MGCSA received a letter from Bruce Williams, CGCS from Los Angeles Country Club. Williams sent a letter to all Chapters looking for contributions for the Leadership Endowment Fund. Diegnau made the motion to contribute \$500 to the Leadership Endowment Fund. 2nd Rick Traver, CGCS. The board voted to send \$500 to this fund.

Eckholm reported that there have been questions raised about job postings for Superintendents. Diegnau made the motion to charge \$150 to post a Superintendent position along with posting the job announcement without a description and for members to contact the club/course for information. In order to post any position you must be a MGCSA member. 2nd Traver.

Eckholm made an amendment to the motion to also charge \$150 for mailing labels from the MGCSA and only members can purchase them. Diegnau 2nd.

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