

Musing the Minutes

MGCSA Board Meeting ~ April 30, 2007

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A MGCSA Board Meeting took place at Somerset Country Club in Mendota Heights on April 30, 2007.

Points of interest from that meeting include excerpts from the following reports:

Treasurer's Report

As of April 30, 107 members had not yet paid 2007 dues – 76 regular members and 31 affiliates.

President's Report

MGCSA President James Bade recently attended the MGA Forum, Dr. Donald White's retirement lunch and spoke at the Club Managers Meeting where he helped promote the MGCSA to other associations.

The City of Mendota Heights has voted to buy the Mendota Heights Par 30 golf course.

Business Office

Wisconsin GCSA sent a list of members to be invited to the 2008 Minnesota Green Expo that will be forwarded to MNLA's Bob Fitch.

Nineteen courses participated in the Turf Research Benefit Week in 2007 raising over \$10,000 for turf research.

2007 Event sponsorship is down considerably this year as 11 companies sponsored events compared to 23 in 2006.

Environmental Report

Jeff Vinkemeier contacted GCSAA about an environmental survey.

Water issues are presently going on in the state legislature. Water usage may require certification in the future.

An idea was brought up to have a legislative field day at the Troe Center about water and show the State what research is being done locally. Fertilizer check-off is moving forward in the legislature.

Membership Report

New members were approved.

MTGF Report

An economist in Duluth is compiling results of the MTGF Economic Impact Study.

Public Relations Report

The Minnesota Turf Club is selling used golf balls on ebay. The MGCSA is still looking for golf ball donations.

Research Report

Goals for 2007 are to support the Troe Center. It costs \$98,000 to maintain the Troe Center. A motion to donate \$20,000 to help with Troe Center maintenance was approved.

