Richard (Rick) Traver, Jr., CGCS, Superintendent at Monticello Country Club, was elected MGCSA President at the Annual Meeting held at this year’s Green Expo. Traver was vice-president last year.

Paul Diegnau, CGCS, Superintendent at Keller Golf Course, was elected MGCSA Vice-President. Diegnau was a director last year.

Paul Eckholm, CGCS, Superintendent at Heritage Links Golf Club, retains his spot as Treasurer of the MGCSA.

Directors elected were Scottie Hines, CGCS, Windsong Farm Golf Club, Independence; Tom Meier, LeSueur CC; Jeff Vinkemeier, Glencoe Country Club, Glencoe, and David Oberle, BASF will serve a term as Vendor representative.

Sixty-five members completed the 18-Hole Booth Challenge that took place during the Green Expo Trade Show. The MGCSA thanks the following 19 affiliate companies who generously participated:


The 12 winners were: Grand Prize, Pat Morstad, Balmoral Golf Course; 3-peat winner James Nicol, CGCS, Hazeltine National; Kevin Black, Prairie View Golf Links; Andrew Carlson, TPC Twin Cities; Ken Felix, Inver Wood Golf Course; Rick Frederiksen, CGCS, Woodhill Country Club; Kurt Haugen, Glen Lake Golf Course; Bob Porter, Oak Marsh Golf Course; David Reif, Chaska Town Course; Thomas Schmidt, Hillcrest Golf Club; Dean Wojtczak, Whispering Pines Golf Course, and Jim Zylstra, Legacy Courses at Cragun’s.