

MGCSA MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JULY 15, 1999

By Michael Brower, MGCSA Secretary

Treasurer's Report

Research investments are up to \$167,076.55. 61% of the dues have been paid as of June 31.

Communications

Fischer suggests writing a letter to your congressman. EPA is coming down on chemicals again. A thank you letter was received from GCSAA for the MGCSA's \$5,000 donation.

President's Report

Keith Scott, CGCS, and Jerry Murphy, CGCS, will be our delegates. MTGF is willing to give money but it can't be a rebate program. Donations to scholarship or research are acceptable. The MTGF could sponsor a speaker at the March Mini-Seminar for possibly \$3,000 to \$5,000. This should be written into the MTGF Bylaws. Last year's donation could have been \$3,500. MTGF discussion. Discussion on the MGCSA starting its own trade show. Nicol makes a motion to have Scott Turtinen write a letter to the MTGF for \$17,000 annually to start a public relations program to benefit the MTGF and the MGCSA. The MGCSA Executive Committee would administer this program.

Business Office

500 out of 691 have paid membership dues. 110 out of 159 have paid affiliate dues. A second dues notice has been sent. The MGCSA has registered the domain name of MGCSA.org. The MTGF Expo has 29 vendors and 40-50 pre-registrations. The MTGF golf tourney has 22 teams.

Conference and Education

Mike Klatte, CGCS, says Bob Mugaas has the MTGF Conference all set. There are still a few hours for Friday afternoon to fill. The March Mini-Seminar is being lined up with construction superintendents. Spring Hill Golf Club, Izaty's are confirmed while others are still being contacted.

Ex-Officio

Looking for members to run for office.

Industrial Relations

New Orleans hospitality is being arranged. John Wiley would like equal time in arranging speakers for the monthly meetings.

Membership

New members accepted.

Public Relations

Paul Eckholm, CGCS, talked to web page service. Contacted three other companies and prices were about the same. Discussion to spend \$3,000 and add this to the Public Relations Budget. Create letter and send to sports directors with a roster and letter telling about our association.

Research

Received info from Pat Walton with the current research projects. Nicol makes a motion to donate \$1,000 to the Fairway Foundation. Eckholm read the current projects being done by Jon Powell at the University of Minnesota.

Scholarship

Eight out of 10 scholarship applicants got all information in by the deadline. Scholarship scramble expenses aren't completely in, but the scramble should raise about \$4,900.

Old Business

Discussion on dues increase. Turtinen will contact other associations on their dues structures.

New Business

University discussion. Get ties with the University and Dr. Jon Powell as our liaison with the University. Klatte makes a motion to have Dr. Jon Powell on our board as a non-voting member.

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Addition to Agenda

Bob Mugaas, Executive Director of the MTGF in attendance to address the issue of revenue sharing/cost sharing with the MGCSA. Bob updated the Board on past meetings and discussions regarding this topic. There are legal issues that need to be considered. Meeting will be set up with legal counsel for representatives of both the MTGF and MGCSA to clarify what can be shared between the two organizations.

Arrangements

James Johnson reported on tentative plans for meetings and golf events in 2000. Has contacted several courses in metro and out-state.

Business Office

Received letter from MGA seeking nominations for the Warren Reholz Distinguished Service Award. Motion to nominate Dr. Don White, University of Minnesota.

Editorial

When web-site is established, *Hole Notes* editor will edit material in conjunction with executive director.

Ex-Officio

Nicol election brochure is being produced. Nicol will attend candidates seminar in Lawrence, Kans.

Membership

Meier reports four new member applications and three reclassifications have been received and reviewed. New members and reclassifications accepted.

Public Relations

Open discussion about hiring public relations firm to handle web-page site, news media announcements, and generally a well-rounded public relations campaign for the MGCSA. Letter to MTGF proposing funding of PR firm for this purpose will be drafted and sent to Mugaas and MTGF Board.

*— Respectfully submitted by Michael Brower
MGCSA Secretary*