

**Jackson Park Men's Golf Club  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
Oct. 23, 2014  
Jackson Park Clubhouse**

**Minutes**

**Call to Order**

President Trevor Cameron called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Roll Call of Officers/Trustees**

**Present:** President Trevor Cameron, Vice President Kyle Johnson, Secretary Mark Ohrenschall, Treasurer Jeff Schoening, Team Captain John Clements, Trustees Greg Heim, Lee Jones, Travis Jones, Bob LeMaster and Doug Nevins.

**Absent:** Trustee Jason Hart.

**Minutes**

Minutes of the Aug. 28, 2014 JPMGC board meeting were approved.

**Treasurer's Report**

Jeff Schoening presented the treasurer's report, stating in his preface, "We have money." Year-to-date income totals \$14,424 (the vast majority from \$13,030 in membership dues), while year-to-date expenses come to \$12,357.16. Expense categories include Washington State Golf Association dues (\$5,894), prize-fund payouts (\$3,507) and normal operating expenses (\$3,136), the latter predominantly administrative stipends (\$1,900).

Projected 2014 expenses through the end of the year are \$14,080.98, so it appears the club will carry over nearly \$400 into 2015.

Schoening also noted that total payouts and participants in men's club events are up in 2014 compared to 2013.

**Team Captain's Report**

John Clements reviewed the two-day Jackson Park Classic and Fall Field Day, noting the latter had 35 participants compared to 26 in 2013. He also discussed the Turkey Shoot on Nov. 15, to be contested from the green (forward) tees.

Trevor Cameron noted unhappiness among Jackson Park staff at slow pace of play for Fall Field Day, reportedly attributable to one of the middle groups. This sparked a discussion about pace of play, with options including a course marshal monitoring JPMGC groups and players punching a time clock. The club's clock is broken, so it was decided to investigate buying a new clock, which is seen as key to maintaining pace of play and, when necessary, enforcing penalties. The club's pace-of-play standard is to finish rounds by 4 hours, 30 minutes or within 15 minutes of the group immediately ahead, with a 1-stroke penalty for being more than 15 minutes late and two strokes for 21 or more minutes behind.

Clements and Cameron discussed a proposed "Battle in Seattle" among the city's four public-course men's clubs, as a one-day stroke-play event, perhaps in April, involving 12 members from each club paying \$50 apiece and the winning team pocketing the pot. They said they would keep the board posted on this potential event.

**By-Law Changes**

Jeff Schoening presented proposed by-law changes for the men's club: changing the name officially from Olympic Hills Golf Club to Jackson Park Men's Golf Club; adding language to allow the club president to receive a stipend; removing any mention of initiation fees, while keeping a provision for annual dues; removing a specific amount for junior-member annual dues, maintaining language that it be set by the

trustees; and removing mention of a fee to access the GHIN handicap system for members seeking reinstatement.

Lee Jones moved to approve those by-law changes, and Schoening seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **President's Report**

Cameron discussed plans for the upcoming annual banquet, tentatively scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 17. It will include nine holes of golf at Jackson Park, followed by food, prizes, a raffle and an auction. Cameron planned to look into venues for the post-golf festivities, staying somewhere in the North Seattle vicinity.

He also encouraged board members to consider ideas for the 2015 tournament schedule, which will be refined in the coming weeks.

### **Other Business**

Schoening presented information on JPMGC tournament statistics, demographics and analysis.

It showed that low handicappers, collectively, fare the best in terms of average amount of prize payouts and winning percentages. Mid-range handicappers, meanwhile, are the biggest participants and win the most payouts, but their average payouts are about average. High-handicappers have the least participants as a group, with the lowest percentage of payouts and percentage of winnings, and the most one-time players.

A number of ideas were floated to address the plight of high-handicappers, including three divisions per event, paying more places within divisions, and offering team payouts along with individual payouts.

Schoening proposed an event he called "The Equalizer," which would be an additional match-play event open only to 10 and above handicappers. This year, he noted, 11 of the club's 20 match-play payouts went to low-handicap players. Schoening also said he would sponsor the event, which will be further discussed by the board.

Clements said he expects a large bump in JPMGC members next year with the opening of the driving range.

### **Next Meeting**

Tentatively planned for early to mid-December, date and time TBD.

### **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.