

**Sunbird Golf Board Meeting**  
**November 16,2022**  
**Apache Room**

Dave White opened the meeting at 12:00 o'clock those in attendance were Dave White. Wayne Onyx, Sandy Crane, Julie Anderson, Ed Leonard, Duane Dub, Jean Pritchard, Laurie Kelech and Brendan Waddell.

**Laurie Kelech**, golf shop manager--stated that we have a new Golf course member Tony Garcia. She has sold one non member annual, and three-six months nonmember golf package

**Brendan Waddell** course manager --gave a report on the Gopher that are invading the course. The greens are great shape, and the goal is to bringing them to a level 9. tTe bare spots on the course are being reseeded and we'll have mulch to help hold the seed in place. The dirt that was placed on #9 fairway near the lake will be leveled out and contoured. The sand bottles that are on the tea boxes were painted by Mikey from the golf shop. The new picker for picking up range balls should be here on the 17<sup>th</sup>

**Julie Anderson** made a motion that we ratify the vote to purchase the golf picker and the spreader which was approved with an online vote. Motion second by Ed Leonard voting was 7-0

**Laurie Kelech** golf shop manager-- stated that she has sold 64 annual golf passes which will be effective from October this year to October 2023. There will be a junior golfer tournament here for kids they will be paying \$1000 for the afternoon to golf. the Ladies Invitational is coming up, 50 golfers signed up for that. Sunbird open will be December 10<sup>th</sup>. January 13th there will be a club fitting day from 9 to 2. January 20th we will have the annual auction and the Founders day tournament will be on the 21st of January . Laurie has also secured some new sponsors for our golf tournaments. Lori has hired two volunteers to work Saturday and Sunday to clean carts. There are plans to have free golf lessons for Sunbird residence. The halfway Hut has someone who may be interested in operating it. Laurie has had an opportunity to obtain a free table and chairs which she will pick up and store they, may be something that we could use in the future for our wedding events

**Julie Anderson** treasure --has sent the financials by e-mail so we've all had a chance to look at them. Laurie and Brendan have made major positive changes to our financials and our course. The installation of the pump last year has saved us over \$14,000 in electrical bills.

**Wayne Onyx** greens committee chair---reported that Dave Ellington has been using his dogs to help remove the geese from the golf course. The dogs have been approved and will have vest that will identify them as being legal. The Gophers are a large problem right now. They're working on the bare spots on the course. Volunteers are removing the T markers in the evening before the T boxes are mowed and replacing them the next morning after mowing. This saves a lot of time for the maintenance crew while they're mowing.

**Julie Anderson** representing the Sunbird Golf course and the HOA committee, the main conversation of our committee meeting was the drainage issue. The HOA is sponsoring a town hall informational meeting on November 30th HOA will be totally in control of that. Duane Dub will fill in for Dave White position on the committee.

**Jean Pritchard** election committee stated that Dave White and Duane Dub are not going to run again for the golf board. We will be working diligently to find candidates to run for the vacated spots

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**Ed Leonard** reported that the cell tower is still underway, but it is slowed down with getting the necessary permits from the city and state, they expect to break ground in the summer. He has been working on the policy and procedure manuals.

**Sandy Crane** membership chair stated that we have one new golf member we've had really good response to the sign up sheets for the free golf lessons.

Board's Goals for the coming year were discussed. Some suggestions were to increase profitability by 1 to 2%. Keep the course looking good. The challenge will be to continue having volunteers to help as we are down three maintenance workers.

Julie Anderson gave a report on the Wine and Beer tasting with the funds to help the golf course. The profit was approximately \$5200 there are wine glasses available to purchase in the golf shop.

Laurie Kelech discussed the upcoming budget the golf shops projected expenses will be \$211,000 and the budget that Brendan has prepared for the golf course will be \$614,000. There are 208 palm trees on the course which need to be trimmed yearly with the cost of \$100 per tree.

Meeting ended at 2:45.