Grandfathers For Golf, Inc. Golden Era Golf Course Clubhouse Thursday, July 10, 2014, 6 p.m.

Minutes of the Board of Grandfathers For Golf

Meeting called to order at 6 p.m. by President Tony Viola.

Members present: Tony Viola, Pres., Ernie Kercmar, VP, Arnie Gianotta, Treas., Jim Crandall, Sec., and members Frank McCollum, Ken Leburn, Walt Kercmar, Bill Misner, David Hiemenz, Nicole Chaiyakum.

Members Absent: Danny Crosser, Dick Lavoie, Sal Valdivia, Ivan Johnson, Brendan Steele, Linda Greilich, and Jim McCollum.

Tony noted that we had a quorum present.

Ernie moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting as submitted. Seconded by Bill Misner, approved unanimously.

## **Old Business**

Arnie gave a treasurer's. He said the Marty Finn Tournament on June 21 netted \$2,790, total income in June \$10,836, total expenses were \$4,283, leaving Grandfathers with \$6,552 in the black as of July 1.

Ernie moved to accept the report, David seconded, unanimously approved.

Tony reported that the Marty Finn was a success, although we lost about five foursomes because the event had been moved from the original date to June 21 because of inclement weather on the original date. In addition

to the green fees, we had a good amount of donations after the tourney.

## Committee Report

On behalf of the Copyright committee, Frank presented a few workups of potential logos. They were discussed at length, and the end result was to send them back to committee for further ideas. Ken Leburn said he would look into registering the Grandfathers For Golf name as a trade name.

It was also discussed as to whether to change the colors of shirts for the kids, and who should get shirts and hats. It was decided that the Beginners would still get white t-shirts with no hats, Intermediates would get blue collared shirts with no hats, and Advanced kids could wear whatever they wanted, as long as they wear collard shirts and hats with the Grandfathers logo. It was also decided that collared shirts and hats would still be given out to Grandfathers Volunteers.

Ernie made a statement that the core of Grandfathers For Golf is all about the Beginners, that everything in the program starts with them, and that we need to keep our main focus on the Beginners. It was stated that of course as part of the process, kids would move up through the system to Intermediate and Advanced levels, which are both extremely important. But the core is the Beginners, which also takes into account the main focus of Grandfathers, which is to reach out to at-risk kids.

David reported that there are 46 Beginners at Golden Era, and about 33 at Echo Hills. Also, there are a total of about 27 Pee Wees.

Walt said the Intermediates are progressing well. He also said he is having the kids walk with their bags, rather than ride in carts, so they could get used to walking, which is required on high school golf teams.

Frank reported that in 8-10 weeks a few of the Advanced kids will turn 18 and be out of the program. He also reported again that four of the Advanced kids received scholarships from the SCGA, while another was

given a scholarship from Golden Era Productions.

Frank also said that he would be having about 7 new kids joining the Advanced group, with 4-5 girls.

Frank also said that he hosted a Rules Q & A with about 14 players, and their answers were 75% correct. And that it was a very productive meeting.

Date of next meeting: Thursday, Oct. 2, 6 p.m.

It was noted that if anything came up in the interim, we could call an emergency meeting.

Frank said we need a letter from Linda for the SCGA so that we can begin the process applying for the SCGA to rate the course.

Ernie motioned to adjourn, David seconded, unanimous approval.