



MEXICAN AMERICAN GOLF ASSOCIATION
Minutes for the State Board of Directors Meeting
Zoom Meeting
February 17, 2024

Meeting called to order by State President Ray Baca at 9:04 a.m.

A. Board of Directors

President -	Ray Baca
Vice Pres. -	Summer Baca
Secretary -	Ben Rodriguez
Treasurer -	Victoria Acosta
Parliamentarian -	Joe Calistro
Yearbook Editor -	Mike Gonzalez
Bylaws/Hall of Fame -	Marc Longoria
Webmaster -	Reene Smith
State Tournament Director -	Reene Smith
Absent -	Ben Rodriguez Mike Gonzalez

B. Council Directors

Northern Council Director – Arnold Salazar
Delegate – Alicia Meiners
Delegate – Reene Smith

Central Council Director – Ben Rodriguez – absent
Acting Central Council Director – Joe G. Calistro
Delegate – Joe Acosta
Delegate – Victoria Acosta

Southern Council Director – Ray Derma
Delegate – None
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2. Introduction of Guests:
No guests
3. Moment of Silence was held in honor of our Founding Fathers and Deceased Members.
4. Approval of the Agenda: Review of agenda. M/S/C Marc Longoria/Arnold Salazar to make change to agenda of next State meeting date from May 18, 2024 to **May 25, 2024**, due to second quarterly meeting date falls during WRC in Tucson, Arizona.
5. Approval of Minutes from the November 18, 2023 State Meeting. Correction to the location of first quarterly State meeting from Vejar's, Tulare to via Zoom, M/S/C Alicia Meiners/Marc Longoria to accept minutes as corrected to show meeting was via Zoom.
6. Treasurer's Report – Victoria Acosta presented the report. Victoria advised not all chapters have paid dues. Victoria has contacted chapters to find out status of payment of dues.
7. Correspondence – Alicia Meiners stated NCGA email sent out regarding a test to be taken by Chapter Representative. Discussion held on the email from Jeff Vanderoot of NCGA to MAGA chapters regarding a test to be taken by Chapter Representative/Handicap Director regarding the World Golf handicap system. This test takes approximately an hour. If the chapter representative/handicap director does not answer the questions at the end of the test correctly they have to wait a month and take the test again. This test has to be completed by June, 2024. M/S/C Alicia Meiners/Marc Longoria – Council Directors will be responsible to contact each of the chapters in their council to make sure chapter has passed NCGA test and has a Chapter Representative/Handicap Director.

Reminder - The Western Regional Championship will be held in Tucson, Arizona, May 18th & 19th, 2024. Alicia Meiners sent an email with the Flyer attached to everyone on the State Board to forward to all members.

8. REPORTS:

- A. President/Vice President Report –Ray Becca advised he is having neck surgery and will not be able to play golf for five to six months so he and Summer will not be attending WRC.

- B. Southern Council – Ray Derma advised Southern Council is trying to promote the Council more to get new members. Trying to get together with San Gabriel Chapter and Menifee Chapter to have more tournaments.
- C. Central Council – Acting Council Director Joe G. Calistro stated Ben Rodriguez had to work so could not attend. Ben provided a report regarding the Central Council. Kings County Chapter starts off the first Mandatory tomorrow, February 18, 2024 at Lemoore Golf Course. All chapters are doing okay.

Will give 2024 State Tournament update under Old Business section.

- D. Northern Council – Arnold Salazar states the Northern Council Championship is scheduled for June. Membership is down a little bit but hopefully it will continue growing.
- E. Libro Ano/Yearbook – Mike Gonzalez is not present as his mother just passed away. Joe G. Calistro gave Mike’s report. Mike needs pictures, Chapter and president’s letters. Mike requests Council Directors encourage chapters to send in their chapter material for the yearbook to him.
- F. Bylaws/Hall of Fame – Marc Longoria advised he sent out amended Hall of Fame guidelines to Council Directors with revisions. Due to the date change of the State meeting, deadline to turn in Hall of Fame applications from the Councils to Marc will be May 10th.

WRC Guidelines changes were sent out to Council Directors for review and to share with the Chapters so it can be voted on at the next State meeting in May. Council Directors to send out to Chapter presidents for review and approval at their next Council meeting. Marc stated basically revisions made were for clarification purposes and adding attachment for accounting breakdown similar to the State Tournament Guidelines. M/S/C Alicia Meiners/Arnold Salazar to accept the proposed changes to WRC Guidelines subject to approval by Councils.

- G. Webmaster – Reene Smith advised MAGA website was created in 2013. As she had previously advised the company that maintained the website is no longer doing the maintenance and are no longer charging a yearly maintenance fee. Reene has been able to add/delete on the website but as far as revisions she does not have the main code to enable her to get that far into the program. Reene will research finding someone that can work with the website and can do an upgrade. Reene stated in the

future the website may go down. Reene stated there is a Member Plant free website but it is limited as to what can be put on it. Discussion held on adding website research to the budget for \$1,000.00.

H. State Tournament Director – Reene Smith stated need to add updated State Tournament Guidelines to the website.

9. Unfinished Business:

A. 2024 State Tournament Report – Joe G. Calistro stated committees are being formed to work on details for the State Tournament. Being worked on are getting sponsors, tee prizes, tee sponsors, ladies function and entry form. A sponsorship letter is being worked on to be sent out. Dinner/dance on Saturday will be at a member’s residence due to high cost of hall rental at hotel, Elks or Veterans, details are being worked on regarding table, chair and port a potties etc. rentals. Discussion held on insurance liability, whether the area has proper shade, parking, and heat concerns. Joe G. Calistro is to take concerns to Ben Rodriguez regarding the location of the dinner/dance and request he address these concerns by March 1st with Ray Baca.

10. New Business:

A. MAGA Survey -Summer Baca advised she is still getting responses to the survey she sent via email. Summer requested the survey be sent to all members by Council Directors. Summer went through the responses she has received so far.

B. Membership/New Chapters

Ray Baca stated he has been contacted by Arthur Reyes from the Woodland area who is interested in information to start a new chapter in his area. Ray sent Arthur Reyes the guidelines to start a new chapter. Ray advised a woman from Oceanside has also contacted him regarding interest in the organization.

Discussion held on ordering more member interest cards created by Terry Longoria. 100 cards will be ordered per Council and given to the Council Directors so they can pass out to the chapters.

C. WRC – Discussion held on supporting the WRC. Summer Baca will send out an email to Chapter Presidents to remind their members of the WRC. Ray Derma stated 30 more rooms were added to the block of rooms.

11. Discussion held on next State meeting dates as it falls on the date of WRC. **Second quarterly meeting will be May 25, 2024, at Vejar's Restaurant in Tulare.**
12. Adjournment: M/S/C Arnold Salazar/Alicia Meiners to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Victoria Acosta
Acting Secretary