

MEXICAN AMERICAN GOLF ASSOCIATION Minutes for the State Board of Directors Meeting Vejar's Mexican Restaurant May 25, 2024

Topic: MAGA State Meeting

Time: 9 A.M. Pacific Time (US and Canada)

1. Call to Order: 9:09 a.m.

A. Board of Directors

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

B. Council Directors

Northern Council Director - Arnold Salazar

Delegate – Sophia Robledo Delegate – Larry Gapuz

Central Council Director – Ben Rodriguez

Delegate – Mary Serrato Delegate – Mike Gonzalez

Southern Council Director – Ray Derma (Absent)

Delegate – Not Present Delegate – Not Present

(A quorum has been established for this meeting)

2. Introduction of Guests:

None Present

3. Moment of Silence was held in honor of our Founding Fathers and Deceased Members.

- 4. Approval of the Agenda: Ben Rodriguez made a motion to amend the agenda to add Business Cards under Unfinished Business Item and to accept the agenda after adding the item. A motion was second by Arnold Salazar and the motion to accept the agenda was made by Ben Rodriguez and second by Arnold Salazar. All were in favor, none opposed. The motion passed.
- 5. Approval of Minutes from the February 17, 2024 Zoom meeting. Sophia Robledo made a motion to accept the minutes and Mike Gonzalez second the motion. All were in favor, none opposed. The motion passed.
- 6. Treasurer's Report Victoria Acosta presented the report. All Chapters have paid the State their dues. Merced Chapter sent dues but did not send in worksheet. Victoria will follow up with Merced Chapter to obtain the worksheet. Also, all Councils have been forwarded their dues. We have 595 total members in the State. Reiterate to all Chapters if you receive new members, please forward State and Council Dues to the State. Arnold Salazar made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Ben Rodriguez second the motion. All were in favor, none oppose. The motion passed.

9:33 a.m. Break 9:49 a.m. Return to Order

7. Correspondence

A. 2025 Western Regional will be hosted in San Antonio, Texas by San Antonio Chapter.

8. REPORTS:

- A. President/Vice President Report Ray Baca mentioned it being Memorial Weekend for Members in MAGA. President Ray Baca wanted to express his gratitude to all veterans in MAGA and throughout the state.
- B. Southern Council No Report as Southern Council Director was absent.
- C. Central Council Ben Rodriguez reported the Central Council has been on schedule playing their mandatory tournaments each month. Each mandatory has been averaging over 50 players. Visalia Tulare and Porterville Mandatories each had 60 players, Madera Chapter's Mandatory is June 9, 2024 at Reedley and they may have over 50 players also. Merced Chapter's Mandatory is July 21st at Madera Municipal. The Central Council Championship is schedule August 12, 2024 at Valley Oaks Golf Course in Visalia, CA. Chapters have been working with each other to change tournament dates, due to unforeseen issues but all appear to be handling it well. Question was asked about River Island Country Club Still being renovated.

- D. Northern Council Arnold Salazar reported the Northern Council Tournament is coming up on June 8, 2024 at Blue Rock Springs in Vallejo. In addition, San Benito Chapter will be having their chapter championship. Arnold mentioned having some of the business cards on him when he spoke to NCGA members. The business cards came in handy when talking about Mexican American Golf Association.
- E. Libro Ano/Yearbook Mike Gonzalez presented El Libro Ano/yearbooks to state board members to return to chapter presidents and members. Mike passed out ten books to each chapter and if members want more to notify him. Mike was able to sell two adds from local businesses.
- F. Bylaws/Hall of Fame Marc Longoria reported for Bylaws: Marc explained they had sent out changes to the bylaws for the Western Regional to each Central Council Directors to pass on to Chapter Membership for review and acceptance. Marc went over the changes made to all board members. These Western Regional Guidelines are for California only. A motion was made to accept the Western Regional Guidelines by Arnold Salazar and second by Mike Gonzalez. The motion passed with all in favor.

Hall of Fame Inductees – President Ray Baca replaced Ray Derma who was absent. Ray Baca, Ben Rodriguez, Arnold Salazar, and Marc Longoria removed themselves from the meeting to a private room to vote. The committee voted the following persons into the 2024 Hall of Fame:

Gabe Rodriguez – Fresno Chapter Joe Mercado – Sacramento Chapter

Joe Moreno – Porterville Chapter

Tony Garcia – Stockton Chapter

Ben Rodriguez made a motion to accept the Hall of Fame Nominees, Arnold Salazar second the motion. The motion passed with all in favor, none opposed.

Discussion on adding the Scholarship Role to the Hall of Fame qualification form.

- G. Webmaster Reene Smith advised the website is running fine. We are looking into a new website to continue our internet web page. Reene Smith requested chapters send her tournament dates and the name of all of their officers' names so she can update the website.
- H. State Tournament Director Reene Smith reported the State Tournament is moving forward and believes the tournament will be a success.

9. Unfinished Business:

A. 2024 State Tournament – Ben Rodriguez reported the State Tournament is on schedule for August 30th, August 31st, and September 1, 2024. The registration, venue, and gatherings are set. State Tournament's biggest obstacle is ordering

shirts, we currently have 4 members signed up for the tournament. The State Tournament Committee needs to order shirts so members need to turn in their applications. Also, the Award Dinner and Luncheon may be moved inside the Host Hotel due to the heat. Mariachis are expected to play. Sponsors – we would like Chapters to at least purchase one tee sponsor at \$125. Please work on sponsoring one hole. Also, each Chapter that sponsors a hole with automatically enter into a raffle for a microphone and speaker system.

The Ladies Function is being set up for two days. We are working on a luncheon at the local Casino, with some time to play at the casino. On Sunday morning, we would like to set up a bingo game, luncheon, raffle prizes, etc. Mike Gonzalez made a motion to the State Board for \$500 to the Ladies Function, second by Sophia Robledo. The motion passed with all in favor, none opposed.

- B. Business Cards Marc Longoria ordered 500 Business Cards for MAGA Members to use to pass out to future members and contact persons. The Business Cards have a QR Code.
- 10. New Business: The 2025 State Tournament Budget.
 - B. Western Regional in Tucson, Arizona Report Renee Smith discussed the Western Regional which was not very organized. They didn't save a spot for the defending champion, Scott Taylor who did not play. Renee Smith pointed out numerous issues with the tournament including the fact they still did not have identified the winners of each flight. The registration was unorganized but the golf venue and course were great. The Golf Course and Tucson MAGA were unfamiliar with the golf program used creating an issue with identifying winners of each flight for the day and overall tournament. Tucson MAGA had a nice dinner and lunch program with Mariachi's from a local High School. The first round took 6.5 hours. No water on the course and it was very hot.
- 11. Next State Meeting will be on Friday, August 30, 2024 at 12 p.m. at a location to be announced in Visalia, California.
- 12. General Announcement for the Good of the Order: State President Ray Baca mentioned a reporter wanting to write a segment in the NCGA Magazine on MAGA Stockton Chapter and MAGA State of California.
- 13. Adjournment: Arnold Salazar made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ben Rodriguez second the motion. All were in favor, none opposed. The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 11:24 a.m.