TLQMC Board Meeting Minutes – November 11, 2019

- Meeting called to order by President Joe Rutherford at 2:30 PM.
- Attendees: Joe Rutherford, Ron Englhard, Tom Sweet, Rich Mercatante, Mike Budd, Mike Wolff, Ken Smooke, Ed Warman, Dennis Asher
- Secretary's Report: The Minutes from the September 4, 2019 Board Meeting was read and approved.
- Treasurer's Report by Mike Wolff: There are \$ 12,600 in the checking account. \$ 4,000 is needed for the Welcome Back Tournament payout and \$5,500 is needed for the Holiday Tournament payout. The reserve amount will likely end up being below \$3,000. A membership of 120 is needed to generate enough revenue to cover expenses equal to the 2019 expenses.
- Membership Report by Mike Budd: There are presently 100 paid members for 2020. Fourteen current members have indicated that they will not be returning. There are 45 members that have not been heard from as yet. Mike thinks we will likely loose 20 to 30 current members. There were 9 new members for 2019 vs. 22 in 2018.
- Tournament Report by Tom Sweet: The Welcome Back tournament is in good shape. There are a few openings remaining. The event should generate a \$500 to \$800 profit for the club. Volunteers to help with the tournament are in place. There will be a planning meeting on Thurs. the 14th at 2:00 PM at Tom's house to go over last minute details. Due to the expense differential of a served dinner vs. a buffet dinner, it was decided that the Holiday Tournament will be a buffet, but will be dished out by the caterer's staff. The Butler Did It will cater the dinner. The location of the buffet line is still to be determined because of the Santa Rosa remodel. The food cost is likely to exceed what is being charged by around \$800. There are 49 members signed up so far and 64 are needed.
- Handicap Report by Rich Mercatante: No report.
- Website report by Ed Warman: No report.
- Monday Play Report by Dennis Asher: Help is needed on Mondays to check the cards. Several helpers are needed on Mondays to expedite the determination of winners. Monies will be distributed as well as possible on the Mondays. Any unpaid winnings will be held for pickup the next week.
- Slate of Officers for 2020: Ken Smooke's nominating committee was asked to provide a slate of officers for 2020 that will be presented for approval at the December General Meeting.

- Tee Assignments and Monday Pairings: A proposal was presented by Ron Englhard to look at dividing the membership into three flights based on handicap indexes rather the present two flights determined by tee assignments. The reason for the proposal was that there are members that play well enough that they are far better players than the other members of their flight, thus having what can be viewed as an unfair advantage in competitions. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided to stay with the present system and allow members to choose which tee they wish to play.
- New Handicap System: Joe Rutherford attended an SCGA Handicap presentation outlining the new world wide handicap system. The present GHIN system will be down from Jan. 1 through Jan.6 for the conversion to the new system. There are many changes for 2020 which include Exceptional Score Reduction, Net Double Bogey for what is now the ESC system, Hard and Soft Caps which limit a person's handicap index changes and a Playing Conditions Calculation which is an adjustment for exceptional playing conditions. Joe will provide a presentation at the General Membership meeting in December.
- The meeting was adjourned by President Rutherford at 3:45 PM.