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“EDUCATION THROUGH SPORT”

Golf Coaches Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at Luther @ 4:00 p.m.

1. Coaches Directory:

Schools Present: **Campbell, Luther, Martin, SWC, Laval, LeBoldus, WKC, Riffel, O'Neill, FWJ, Miller**

Schools Absent: **Balfour, RCS**

2. Adoption of Minutes from Tuesday, March 29, 2022

Adopter: **Mike Taylor Campbell**

Seconder: **Mike Knight Riffel**

Carried

3. Rules and Regulations – all have been updated on the RHSA Website under Activity Rules and are attached

- SHSAA Start Date is Monday, April 17, 2023, ends on Saturday, September 23, 2023
- Eligibility – SHSAA E5 Form due: Mon. May 1, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.

4. League Structure/Format

A) Royal Regina – head pro is Dean Brown

- Elite Pool:
 - May 4, 11, 18 & 25 at Royal Regina
 - *Note: May 25 is a 3:00 p.m. start time
 - 2023 rates are \$35.00 + tax per golfer
 - RHSA will pay weekly and bill schools end of season
 - Tee times 3:30-4:45 p.m. League play format will be as follows:
 - Weeks 1 & 2 – 2-person scramble
 - Week 3 Best Ball
 - Week 4 Match Play
 - Mike Silvius will schedule tee times after commissioner has collected names of student golfers from schools
- *Note: If we are not able to play the first week of May, Week 4 match play will be eliminated in 2023 and will**

simply do two weeks of 2-person scramble and a week of 2-person best ball

- No 'Rain Day' provided by Royal Regina in 2023
- Each school can have 4 elite golfers, others go on a waiting list. Names need to be sent to the commissioner by Monday each week to organized Thursday schedules
 - **Updated school elite golfer projections are due to Aaron on Tuesday, April 18 at 9:00 a.m. so he can begin to plan with Royal Regina.**
- Changes/deletions can occur up to 24 hours prior, but after that a \$35 fee could be charged to your school.

B) Goulet - head pro is Brian Dueck

- Beginner/Novice - Pool A - May 1, 8, 15, 29; Pool B - May 2, 9, 16, 23.
- Please see Pool A & B team/school groupings from 2022. Do we need to adjust slightly to create an approximate equal number of golfers per day on Monday and Tuesday at Goulet?

***Note: Campbell moving to Pool A, numbers should be close depending on actual number of student golfers committed by mid-April/early May**

-see Goulet plan below; protocol attachment will be sent out closer to our first play dates

Goulet Notes:

1. The RHSAA will host 4 beginner/ novice lessons/clinics at the Goulet which will include: 3 clinics - Driving Range, Practice Green and Chipping Area on Mondays and Tuesdays in the month of May, as well as a fourth clinic on etiquette and/or play 9 holes the last day. All RHSAA Golf programs will be split into 2 pools. Pool A will attend Monday and Pool B will attend Tuesday.

2. Golf Coaches must be in attendance or golfers from that school will not be eligible to participate.

3. The Goulet Driving Range has 15-20 spots available for RHSAA student golfers.

4. A large bucket of balls can be purchased for medium price. \$12.21/ 80 balls tax included.

5. On the 4th(last) Monday and Tuesday, the RHSAA can arrange 9 holes of golf if coaches feel students are ready (youth rate will apply \$19.95 tax included). This round will be done under the supervision of coaches to ensure proper etiquette. Contact must be made to the RHSAA one week prior (the previous Friday) for the commissioner to make these arrangements with the Goulet in terms of student numbers.

***Note: Commissioner has emailed Brian Dueck to confirm student numbers at driving range. Likely will have golfers work in pairs and hit 40 balls each. All stations (driving range, putting, chipping and some discussion on etiquette) will rotate about every 20-25 minutes. Coaches can coordinate and plan this at the course. Will also check with Brian to ask about**

Goulet not charging student golfers if already youth members on the last day when playing 9 holes.

5. Sub-Commissioners Review (Mike Silvius)

- How to supervise – coaches who are present from each school should take care of their own kids so they have someone to go to. If you can't be there, make sure you find a colleague to take care of the golfers from your school that day

6. City Championships

- **Murray Golf Course** – Tuesday, May 30, 2023 9:00 a.m. (18 holes)
 - Gus Vogelsang is the pro at the Murray
 - Jay Willimott, Mike Taylor, and Mike Silvius at the first tee to organize tee-offs, assist the kids with procedures, etc.
 - Rain Day is Wednesday, May 31, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. (not guaranteed to have this day – Murray may book it out)
 - Reminder – **coaches or parents must drive athletes as the golf course is out of city limits**
 - City Championships Coaches Suggestions:
 - Make sure to tell the kids to mark their ball(s) with their initials, or something distinct to help identify it/them.
 - One page document of the basic rules for the course, many student golfers think they know the rules! Mike Silvius has a FAQ document he created. Aaron will send out to coaches.
- *Note: Ryan Smith from Martin will email commissioner a document he has and then will forward to Mike Silvius of Balfour so he can revise/edit/create a one-pager on rules, dress code at Royal Regina, etc. This will then be sent out to coaches prior to the year and then used at cities end of May 2023.**

6. AOB – discussion occurred around a potential city championship fall qualifier rather than taking the top two male and female grade 9-11 golfers from spring city championships to provincials.

Pros:

- allows kids to practice and play in the summer, then hold a one day 18-hole event in mid-September prior to provincials

Cons:

- fall is busy with volleyball, soccer and football so to squeeze in another golf event may not be ideal
- golfers may be committed to soccer, football or volleyball and thus not participate in the qualifier

Commissioner to discuss possibilities with RHSAA Executive and report back to coaches. Coaches were open to both options of qualifying in the spring or fall but were simply inquiring.

8. Adjournment – **Jason Neumann O'Neill**