

DeKalb Park District
April 9, 2012
Golf Committee Meeting

Board Members Present: Joan Berkes Hanson and Dave Mason.

Staff Members Present: Director Cindy Capek, Golf Supt. Roger Huber, Assistant Supt. Craig Wilson, Food Service and Clubhouse Operations Manager Jane Holdridge.

Others Present: Jerry Dorsey.

The meeting was called to order at noon. Director Capek indicated that the financial data for March operations was positive. She noted that the five year plan was included in the informational packet. Superintendent Huber commented on the work that was being done on the sand traps at Buena Vista this week; with River sand trap work schedule for later this summer. He noted that hiring was on track and when the students are done with class work we would be picking up additional hours. Assistant Superintendent Wilson commented that due to the warm weather, we are ahead of schedule with the goal being keeping up with course conditions and maintenance; and that larger projects which are staff intensive would be performed at the end of the season. It was noted with the drainage improvements, new pump stations and more attention to turf, staff expects positive feedback.

Commissioner Berkes Hanson provided the attendees with a list of topics for discussion for the monthly meetings with the overall goal of providing constituents with affordable, quality golf and to enable staff to implement objectives. The topics were: growing the user base, course infrastructure, customer service, seasonal staffing, wish lists, and lastly off season planning, policy and visioning. Commissioner Mason commented on the recent article in the Tribune as well as the need to grow our customer base. General discussion was held on ideas and concepts regarding this topic. It was agreed that staff would explore options on growing the golfer base and report back at the next meeting. The committee felt that using the topic list would be beneficial to providing a frame work for the meetings. Course infrastructure will be discussed at the next meeting of May 14th.

The meeting ended at 1:03PM.