

MCPLA Meeting Minutes

5-August-2025

President Saks called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Meeting was held via Zoom with four officers and ten directors/delegates participating. There was NO participation by Greenfield (2nd meeting in a row)! Remaining clubs represented as Brown Deer-5, Currie-3, Dretzka-1, Grant-1, Oakwood-3 and Whitnall-1

Treasurer's Report:

Kurt provided the treasurer's report. As of 5-August, 2025, checking account balance is \$23,482.26 made up of Operating acct of \$10,559.43 and CAP fund of \$12,922.83. \$4,000 still to be disbursed from CAP fund for practice green sticks at Brown Deer; waiting for invoice from supplier.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes from July meeting were posted on MCPLA website (www.mcplawi.com). Minutes accepted as posted with no changes.

Team Match Report:

Director Pat Garvens reported on match #4 held at Currie on Aug 2nd. Greenfield took 1st with 134 pts, followed by Whitnall with 116, Grant with 112 and Currie with 107.

Through four matches, Whitnall is in 1st Place with 490 pts, Currie at 2nd with 480 and Greenfield 3rd at 462.

Final match of the season is scheduled for Saturday, Sept 13th at Greenfield. Complete results are posted on MCPLA website.

Copies of Team Match rules were sent out to all team captains. Review should be conducted over winter to determine if changes are required. One area of concern is the \$\$ paid out for hole prizes and skins. Last match only \$5/skin (hole events are \$5 each).

Remind players that they need to post their scores from team matches.

MCPLA Tournament Schedule:

- 2-Man BB at Oakwood was conducted July 20th
 - Congrats to Gross winners Jim Sell and John Bechard (-4) and Net winners Chuck Silkey and Harry Markos (-10)
- Arnold Walker Championship at Dretzka, Aug 23 & 24
 - Currently have 50 entrants signed up
 - ONLY 36 MCPLA members signed up (that's less than 7% of total membership!)
 - Deadline for signup is Sunday, Aug 17th
 - WHY are there so few entrants? Reported that Brown County Amateur was this past weekend and over 120 entrants!
 - Rich Saks and Jerry Gitlewski to investigate Brown County Amateur and their success in entrants
 - Are we doing enough to publicize the event? Fliers posted at the courses?
 - Reported that Oakwood expects lowest turnout ever for their Club Champ this weekend; Currie reporting almost 70% of their members will playing in their Club Champ.
 - Would a different date be better? Earlier in summer?

- Is more on-course help needed to help with pace of play, lost balls, etc.
Suggestion that each club be required to provide one member each day to help.
- Motion was made and seconded to swap the 2026 event with the 2-Man BB. Motion was unanimously approved. 2026 AW Champ will move to July and 2-Man BB moved to August.

NIMAGA:

Brian Grossman reported that online signup thru Golf Genius is now available. Ten players have signed up as of Aug 14th.

New director for this year is Doug Wruk. This year marks the 50th anniversary of this event. The match against Northern Illinois is scheduled for Sat, Sept 20th at Fox Lake CC

2026 Scheduling:

Which events need to be included for next year. Motion was made and seconded to drop the Spring Champ, due to consistent low number of entries. Motion was unanimously approved.

Events to schedule for 2026 will include the following:

- Five Team matches
 - Some discussion to reduce to four due to participation issues. Question asked how many matches were short in signed up players? Answer not available.
 - Agreed to avoid scheduling in August.
- AW Championship (in July)
- 2-Man BB (in August)
- NIMAGA

Need to find someone that can take over the use of Golf Genius for MCPLA event management.

New Business:

- CAP fund discussion. Jim Gehrke asked about possibility to acquire a bell for letting players know it's safe to hit from white tees on #10 at Dretzka. Currently when on the tee cannot see where players are in fairway. Andy G and David L have discussed and will get info as to cost.
- Question raised re: handicap hole allocations at Oakwood, many don't feel that they are correct. Per Andy G, no plans at this time to be looked at. Can MCPLA get a small sub-group that can review all courses with John Warren at WSGA?
- Last meetings of 2026: Sept 9 scheduling meeting at Oakwood (no Zoom); Oct 7 meeting at Currie, election of officers (no Zoom)
- 2026 officers: Rich Saks not returning as President (moving out of state). Will Barrett willing to step in for 2026, leaving VP open. All positions are open to challengers if interested. Nominations/voting at Oct meeting.

Next meeting Tuesday, September 9th, at 6:30pm at Oakwood (in-person, no Zoom). This meeting is strictly scheduling for 2026, not a general business mtg.