

**MINUTES OF THE MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF THE
BOIS DE SIOUX PUBLIC GOLF COURSE
Bois de Sioux Club House
Monday, November 17, 2025 - 6:00 pm
2025 Annual Meeting**

Pursuant to the attached notice the annual meeting of the Membership of the Bois De Sioux Public Golf Course was held at 6:00 p.m. November 17, 2025, at the Bois de Sioux Club House Grille Room, 1305 RJ Hughes Drive, Wahpeton, North Dakota.

The purpose of the meeting was to summarize and inform the membership of 2025 operations. A quorum was declared.

Golf Board President Don Lingen introduced board members along with pro, greenskeeper, treasurer and secretary. Lingen stated that 2025 has been a good year for the course. Fall was good for us and the cart paths on the Minnesota side were completed with a grant of \$25,000 from the City of Wahpeton, \$5,000 donation from the Ladies League with a matching donation from a private party, and others.

Motion by Dan Nordick, seconded by Paul Gospodar to dispense with reading of the minutes of the last meeting of the membership held Monday, November 18, 2024, and approve said minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer Daniel Julson reviewed the Balance Sheet through October 31, 2025, compared to October 31, 2024. Julson said that current cash on hand is \$110,374 down from 2024's \$146,818 with two months of bills remaining. Julson reported that the course had switched to Bell Bank, had paid off several loans earlier in the year, and the course is down to two 0% interest loans through the city. Julson reported that course sales were strong this year (\$633,953). Board expenses are up due to the credit card fees. Currently working with the processor who overcharged the course and should be refunding an additional \$14,000 in fees. Pro Shop supplies are up. Greens up on course repairs and chemicals. Grille Room sales are down along with expenses and are trending in the right direction. Supply costs are up significantly but that number needs to be shared with both greens and pro shop. Total Course Expenses of \$570,393 for a Course Net Income of \$63,560. (It was noted that once the \$25,000 grant and disputed credit card fees are accounted for, the course will be close to last year's cash on hand.)

Memberships were down for 2025 with the most noticeable decrease in single membership.

Discussion followed on irrigation and parts expense being up over \$11,000 from last year. Richels stated that a repair in the pump house had cost \$8,000.

Credit card fees were discussed along with adding that fee to the cost of membership if a credit card is used. This will be considered when rates are determined for 2026.

Motion by Dan Nordick, seconded by Brent Muehlberg to approve the treasurers report as presented. Motion carried.

Harris said that Grille Room did ok financially, wages have increased since it is seasonal employment. Harris pointed out that the grill lost 3-4 Tuesday Men's League days and several Wednesday Ladies League days due to weather, which hurts Grille Room sales. The Grille opened in April, which was slow, just like the fall. We watched wages and inventory. Director Wermer agreed that wages and

margins were monitored and reported that the POS is now tracking true costs, explaining that it can track Coors Light and not just beer. Director Van Dyke said that expenses are an inflation issue and asked the rent payment to be prorated which would make the Grille Room breakeven.

Several members said that both the service and the food were good throughout the year and thanked the Grille Room staff.

Grounds Superintendent Jake Richels reported that the Greens did not look the greatest this year we got hit with disease called pythium blight around July 4th. Pythium blight is caused by very humid and wet conditions. We do have some chemicals in our next year's spray program to prevent that from happening going forward. One, being a fungicide called Title Phyte, that provides protection against Pythium blight, a fungicide called mancozeb to help with the moss/algae control, and last seaweed to help with root growth and stress tolerance.

We do plan to put a layer of sand on the greens before winter. That protects the greens from freeze-thaw cycles and winter stress. It is like putting a tarp on every green. We plan to punch the greens in the spring depending on the winter outcome.

As for projects, we did level out the backside of #8 tee box and leveled out the men's tee box on #15. We plan on do the men's tee box on #16 next year and several of the women's tees.

Looking forward to next year, our greens should look a lot better with our new added chemicals, topdressing them before winter, and punching them in the spring.

Professional Harris said Men's League had 41 Teams with 240 players and Ladies League had 88 Members for 2025. Harris reported the Club Champions for 2025: Men's – Robert Schuler; Men's Stroke play – Ethan Neitzke; Men's Sr. – Brian Rempfer; Boy's Jr. – Max Neitzke; Women's – Anaka Lysne; Women's Sr. – no one played for 2025; Girls Jr. – Claire Langenwalter. Men's League Champions – Smith Strege People. Member Guest Tournament is a full 40 teams and 2025 winners – Jake Richels and Ryan Ames.

Harris said that within the Ladies League they have Ladies League Champion – Denise Colburn and Ali Zajac; Ladies League Sr. Champion – Linda Shannon.

Harris reviewed rounds played for 2025 with 14,120 member rounds down from 2024's 14,855; 5,675 daily rounds up from 5,500 in 2024; and 5,230 tournament rounds up from 4,680 in 2024; Total rounds played for 2025 - 25,180, down from 2024's 25,509 total rounds played.

Harris reported that the cart lease was renewed and 35 new carts will arrive this spring. The course has 10 carts of their own and only uses those carts when needed due to large events. Harris said that membership rates will be reviewed for 2026.

Discussion followed on tournament dates and scheduling them on Friday and Saturdays. Harris said that he attempts to keep those days open as much as possible. It was also suggested that the course have a separate senior tournament.

Discussion on pace of play and if 5 players were allowed. Harris said 5 players were acceptable and that 1 and 2 players have become more of an issue and may need to be scheduled differently. Questions were asked about members starting on #10 and if a camera and speaker could be placed out there and monitored from pro shop.

President Lingen stated that there were three open positions on the board. Don Lingen, Justin Riveland, and Sara Huhnstock have terms which expire in 2025. Lingen reported that he was not seeking reelection but that both Justin and Sara would be. Lingen then asked for any other nominations from the floor. Two additional nominations were heard from the floor. Fred Strege and Don Neitzke. Motion by Ted Peitron, seconded by Dan Nordick to cease nominations and cast votes. Ballots were cast. Sara Huhnstock, Fred Strege, and Don Neitzke were elected to the board with terms to expire 2028.

Strege asked if members would be ok with a larger increase in fees to do additional things for future capital expenditures. Raise rates more than inflation and have a 5–10-year plan to improve the irrigation system or explore more/better equipment. Harris pointed out that many members are not avid golfers and join for convenience, if rates are raised too much, they may decide to just pay weekly. That would keep them away on the weekend when they may utilize the Grille Room as well.

Rates will be discussed at the December board meeting.

Motion by Dan Nordick, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Sincerely Submitted,
Carla J. Broadland, Secretary