

Amherst Golf Club
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2025

Present: George Oulundsen, Gordy Palley, Bonnie May, Shawn Durocher, Greg Kwolek, Kathryn Mahony, Don Hodgkins, Emily Ziomek, Glenn Allan, Carl Teschke, Bob Nakosteen

Absent: Jack Stanne

The meeting was convened at 5:02.

The minutes of the October meeting were accepted unanimously.

The election of the Executive Committee was unanimous. The Committee consists of:

Vice President: Jack Stanne

Treasurer: Gordy Palley

Secretary: Bob Nakosteen

Member Liaison: Glenn Allan

Additional positions were also approved:

Women's Association: Katheryn Mahony

Amherst College Liaison: Elizabeth Greene

Financial Report Update: Gordy reported that Greens Fees are at \$124.783 so far, a 41% increase over the same period last year. The availability of online tee times was cited as a possible reason for this increase.

A small increase in membership fees was discussed and will be included in the first draft of the budget document. Cart fees are to remain at this season's level, and cart cards will now carry over to next season. Other issues relevant to the new budget year include the optimal work hours for the grounds crew and the recurring cost of software that supports Club operations; events held at the Club; Greens Fees for next season; cart maintenance contract renewal; purchasing a canvas drop to protect the golf carts during the winter.

Pro Report: Shawn brought up the following issues: the cost and type of bag tags given to Club members; the need for security cameras after demo equipment was stolen from the Club; the administration of Amherst College memberships, which is currently handled by the College, and would make more sense to be handled by the Club.

Superintendent Update: Carl is preparing for the winter months, with a number of maintenance issues outstanding. The retention of a full-time grounds staff member was discussed, both the salary cost and the cost for health insurance, for the winter months. Glenn has volunteered to get a health insurance estimate, and this topic will be revisited.

Women's Association report: Kathryn reports her intention to generate a list of tournaments by March 1st. She will be conferring with Shawn during this process.

Member Liaison update: Glenn tells us that a number of members told him how impressed they are with course conditions.

Event Planning – Greg is in the midst of finding spring dates for 2 and possibly 3 Isenberg School events.

Committee Assignments: A number of committees need to be staffed with volunteers, not limited to BOD members. These committees include: Food and Beverage; Licenses and Permits; Software Committee; House Committee; Greens Committee; Tournament Committee; Handicap Committee.

Volunteers are also needed for the compilation of an operations manual for the Club. George and Jack will be spearheading this effort but can use help in reviewing their work.

Other Business

- It was decided to forgo the 125th Club Anniversary dinner, and to retrieve the deposit from St. Brigid's. The Board will consider what the possibilities are for this anniversary going forward.

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 pm

Next Monthly BOD Meeting: December 9, 2025

Minutes prepared by Bob Nakosteen, Club Secretary