

TIRETOWN GOLF MEETING MINUTES – March 15th, 2025 Alpha House

Call to Order – Dave Brown: 10:15 a.m.

Prayer: Pastor Art Green

Minutes: February Zoom Meeting Minutes – Dave Brown motion to accept; Clarence Tucker second; all approve

President's Report – Ralph Paulk: Thanked committees for their participation; thanked the Governance Committee for their dedication to the fee increase; again mentions that everyone needs to be involved with the 75th Anniversary; being named Charity of the year brings demands upon the club; be mindful of sticking with our Mission.

Treasury Report – Ralph Paulk (Acting Treasurer) – Club balance = as of March 14th - \$5,033. This includes a pymt of \$2,645.30 to ASW Global and PayPal dpt of \$2,228.25. Shirts have been ordered at \$41 and the price will not change.

The Club is still actively looking for someone to fill the office of Treasurer.

NEW/OTHER BUSINESS

Be mindful of calendar of events; can be found on website; use volunteer form for Kaulig Championship; junior registration signed up 30 kids for First Tee; donations for kids would be helpful

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Governance Committee – Michael Robinson/**Bill Alford**: February meeting club voted to increase raise dues; the Committee's recommended structure is as follows:

Associate Members – remain \$50

Traditional Members (up to 70 yrs of age) \$125 (2025) with an increase to \$150 (2026 and subsequent yrs until revisited). If you have already paid, please remit an additional \$25 for 2025

Members (70 – 75 yrs of age) \$75 (2025) with an increase to \$100 (2026 and subsequent yrs until revisited). If you have already paid, please remit an additional \$25 for 2025

Members (75 and older) \$50 (2025 with no increase in subsequent yrs until revisited)

Fund Development – Gwen Bryant/**Marilyn Miller Paulk**: See attached report

Janice McClain suggested contacting your insurance agent for donations; can be provided with a personalized letter

Scholarship – Dave Brown: 7 students from 2023 will be in 3rd yr of their pymt at \$500 this year leaving one more pymt of \$500 for the next yr; 2024 students pd in full at 3k each; total of six scholarships and one book scholarship; 2025 students receive total of 3k over four yrs at \$750 per yr.; Application deadline is April 4th; interviews held April 12 @ Alpha House; possible applicants from Copley, CVCA, East, and Firestone

Social – Marilyn Paulk/Janice McClain: reviews menu options (diabetics); feel free to e-mail options; this committee is also looking for more member participation

Tournament & Golf Activities – Clarence Mitchell, Jr.: schedule on website; some courses not on website; may need to travel to new courses; can carpool; pace of play was good last yr but can improve; discussed moving seniors 80 and up to women's tee boxes and have a handicap of 14 or 15 or higher to help speed up pace of play; discussed changing the age rule from 70 to 65 to move to senior tees. This has to be discussed with the Executive Board first and will be brought back to the Club in April; Scholarship Tournament moved back to the last weekend in June. Still need Club participation and volunteers; strongly suggested that all Club members purchase hole sign/ask someone to support you and have them purchase a hole sign; Ohio Cup, August 9th. Tiretown is hosting. We also need volunteers for this event to be held at Goodpark, shotgun start at \$100 per player

*Sid Lewis provides a short synopsis on golf tracker; cost is \$119; will help with scoring; Executive Board has to vote

Membership – Terry Felton/Clarence Tucker: Welcome new co-chair Clarence Tucker; six new associates joined; two new members; Cynthia working on roster; working on retention; new member Vernita Hawkins, present; new associate member Charlene Merritt, present; 17 ppl paid for Anniversary shirts on March 15th

Volunteers – Dwayne Jackson/Darlene Elliott: Welcome new co-chair Darlene Elliott; Kaulig Championship is June 18 – 22, a week ahead of last yr; registration open family and friends to volunteer; fee is \$80. You will receive golf shirt, hat, breakfast; register on Tiretown's website or Kaulig's website. Darius Rucker is Ambassador of Golf this year. Please forward your email confirmation to Chair or Co-Chair to allow them to track our members.

Rules/Competition – Art Green: No Report

Tiretown Junior Golf Club – Cynthia Blake/Michael Goode: Finish up Emmanuel Christian Academy; thanked Michael Goode, Tony Banks, Terry Felton.

Terry Felton expresses the need for volunteers for this committee

Sick & Welfare – TJ Pryor (**Ralph Paulk**) – Otis Beecher (present) brother and sister-in-law passed; Johnnie Player had surgery; Willie McCall had surgery

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Les Carney selling raffle tickets. Has collected \$800 so far. He's also selling Tee Time books. He would like to sell more raffle tickets this year than last year, so please see him.

Let's thank Les for all that he does!

Darlene Elliott is being honored at the 18th Annual Celebration of Women Luncheon sponsored by New Exodus Christian Fellowship Church on Saturday May 10, 2025 from 11:00 a.m. – 2 p.m. being held at Guy's Party Center. Contact Darlene for more information.

Diahnna Curtis would like for you to join the Akron Realtist at the Maple Valley library for The Shiba Report. This is an informational seminar reporting minority challenges in home ownership. Also, there's a scholarship golf outing for non-college bound students. The scholarship will provide a license to sell real estate. Contact Diahnna for more information.

Terry Felton would like to extend an invitation to those 16 and up to audition for caddy and bag room positions at Firestone Country Club. He says that it is a process to show ability. The pay is \$700 - \$1000 wkly

Edna Borders - Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. Congresswoman Emilia Sykes and State Senator Casey Weinstein will host a town hall from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 18th

CORRESPONDENCE – None

Drawings – Overall: Mo Banton pulled – Dr. Greg Hill = \$20

50/50: Williams pulled – Dr. Kaminski

Adjournment: 12:05 p.m. Jay Curry motion to adjourn; Mo Banton second; all approve

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2. Leahana Curtis
3. Vonda Hawkins
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7. **CAROL Miller**
8. Glynis Mitchell
9. Clarence Mitchell
10. Lee Clegg
11. ~~SA LEMS~~
12. **WILLIAM PRESTON**
13. ~~Sarah Parry~~
14. ~~THOM SMITH~~
15. Tim Ransch
16. ~~Merilyn Parry~~
17. **JOHN TURNER**
18. William Merritt
19. Charlene Merritt
20. Steve **TYSON**
21. Art Green
22. ~~Pat Kunkel~~
23. ~~Finley Smith~~
24. ~~Joe P. Heron~~
25. ~~Zina Benders~~
26. ~~Terry Bishop~~
27. ~~Terry Fletcher~~
28. ~~Donald Bryant~~
29. ~~Say O'Craig~~
30. ~~Craig Kirk~~
31. ~~Edith & Powell~~
32. ~~Malcolm Costa~~
33. ~~Cynthia D. Blake-Stake~~
34. ~~Lacee Thomas~~

Governance Committee Report: Membership dues increase

Here are the recommendations from the Governance Committee:

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If already paid \$50, they will submit an additional \$25 for 2025.

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Tiretown Golf Club Treasurer Report

Balance as of March 14 – \$5,033

Invoice/Payments:

1. \$35 Staircase Florist (Judi Hill)
2. \$67 Staircase Florist (Otis Beecher)
3. \$75 Joe Williams' granddaughter
4. \$500 MLK Community event
5. \$2,645.30 – ASW Global

PayPal deposit: \$2,228.25

PayPal or Zelle (tiretowngolfclub@gmail.com) payments – Membership, uniforms, tournament registration, sponsorships.

TIRETOWN FUND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – MARCH 15, 2025

1. Status of Fund Development for 2025 - Committed Donations

- a. gASW Global – Gold package, \$5,000
- b. Veteran Services Commission, \$2,500
- c. Ace Tax, \$2,000 (Tiretown Junior Golf)
- d. Northern Ohio Golf Charities, \$10,000
- e. PGA TOUR Champions, \$30,000
- f. Akron Tractor, \$500
- g. Wayside Furniture, Jazz concert, TBD

2. Goals for 2025

- a. \$100,000 overall fundraising goals
- b. \$30,000 Scholarship Tournament, June 28 @ Good Park
- c. \$5,000 Junior Golf Tournament, Sept. 20 @ Mud Run Golf Course
- d. \$10,000 Tiretown Scholarship Banquet (luncheon), Oct. 18 at Firestone Country Club
- e. Donors and contributors – scholarship banquet

3. Fund Development co-chairs report (Marilyn Miller Paulk, Gwendolyn Bryant)

- a. Meeting this week to set up letter writing to potential businesses for donations and sponsors. Also gathering names of various Foundations and grant writing opportunities for funding.
- b. May - Making requests for auction items
- c. June 8 -Women's Fashion Show fundraiser - Golf Galaxy & Mud Run- 2 parts- will serve hors d'oeuvres – Gwen Cost??
- d. Donations, grants (insurance agents) Janice
- e. October 18 - Scholarship breakfast -ads, sponsorship- Cost of tickets for the breakfast/brunch???? \$40? \$45? QR Code for Scholarship Banquet – Will Blake, William Merritt, L. Thomas - speedier entrance. Waiting on estimate from Randy. Working on commemorative coasters and centerpieces
- f. September 20 -Junior tournament - gifts and restaurant certificates and donations (McDonald's or Chick-Fil-a coupons for junior member participants
- g. August - Jazz at the Civic Theater or Jazz in the Park in collaboration with Wayside and Edgar's might incorporate a comedian between sets
- h. December 7 - Christmas Party - Planning Committee

4. 2024 Fund Development reports

- a. 2024 Expenditures, nearly \$70,000