

KALAMAZOO MUNICIPAL GOLF ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING
August 21st , 2025

MEMBERS PRESENT

President	Curt Wiser
Vice President:	John Bradshaw
Board Members:	David Sheilds Larry Braithwaite, Kevin O'Toole Steve Haase

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Dir. Parks and Recreation	Patrick McVerry John Hambright Erin Adams Steve Vicenzi Mark Heineman Tania Brammer
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Director of Golf	Dean Marks
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GUESTS PRESENT:	Tom Drabilk: Red Arrow Coordinator
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Approved minutes are forwarded to:	Shelby Moss for Scott Borling, City Clerk
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The meeting was called to order at 12:01 at Milham Park. Minutes of the July 17th , 2025, meeting were approved.

1. Director of Golf Report:

- July revenue was slightly down from 2024, primarily due to weather. Core revenue is even with 2024, but up \$28K vs budget. Expenses are in line with budget---projected break-even on the year.
- Milham has started aerifying greens. Should heal quickly. Also, aerifying Tees, which will have minimal impact on play. Fairways to be done in the coming weeks.
- Projecting \$35K raised in the Red Arrow Benefit. There was discussion about getting more corporate sponsorships for next year, as well as getting leagues more involved.
- Tanner Franklin won the 2025 Club Championship. There was lots of discussion about the event and how to get more participants. Maybe change to two One-Day events at each course.

- The KJGA tournament season finished on 8-1-25 with a two-day Ted Little Junior Championship, sponsored by Fran Little. We had over 120 participants. In all KJGA tournaments had 209 total participants in 31 total events and used 21 different golf courses. 5 Scholarships were awarded, bringing the total to 114 with a total of \$164,500 awarded.
- PGA Jr. League finished the season on 8-2-25. 3 All-Star teams competed at Binder Park on Aug. 7-9. Our top 13U team shot the low score of 27 teams with a -4 on day 1, which advanced them to day two, where they shot the low score of -5, giving them a top seed. They lost a tough match in match play, to be state runner-up. They may get invited to the regional on 9-19—21. In total, summer leagues had 64 13U and 17 17U participants. Currently signing up for the Fall League.
There was a very Good Discussion about the PGA Jr. League and maybe having them come to the Red Arrow event.
- We need to have some discussion about 2026 rates, and 2025 rates, See Below.

2. Events.

- 9-7-25: Big Hole Scramble—Milham Park.
- 9-7-25- PGA Family Big Hole Scramble—Milham Park
- 10-12-25 Big Hole Scramble—Eastern

3. Rangers/Starters:

- Kevin raised some issues after the meeting was closed.

4. Capital Needs Sub-Committee:

- No Discussion, other than RA event.

5 Old Business

Red Arrow Outing: Several ideas were discussed including \$100 Wrist Bands for the entire day; More Corp Sponsors;

6. New Business:

- Rates: Discussion about rates and having a Membership Pre-sale. Dean Recommends keeping the member rate the same and increase the daily and the 9-hole rates (leagues).
There was a **MOTION** to keep the Member rate the same and to begin 9-2-25.
That Motion **PASSED**.
Additionally , it was agreed that at the next meeting we would discuss ‘changes to the daily specials and a Sur-charge on credit cards---3%.
- The BOD signed a 100 Year Anniversary Flag, for outgoing City Manager.

- The Maintenance Building issue was discussed. It was agreed that a **new subcommittee** consisting of Kurt, Steve H., Kevin, and Ron, will meet and come up with several ideas “On Paper”, regarding Size Needs, Bringing Kilgore Building up to speed, and or other needs for the maintenance Department. They will meet before the next meeting.
- It was agreed that at the next meeting, we would discuss League Pre-Pays.
- The Guest Tom Drabilk answered some questions for the Board: He stated: Volunteers are hard to come by, and he has asked the Kalamazoo Foundation for Volunteers; Lots of Compliments on Course conditions; We should have RA on more social media; KEEP \$5 Golf was his closing comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45

Respectfully submitted by

John D. Bradshaw
For Patrick McVerry, Secretary