



MTF Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

February 23, 2023
In Person/Zoom Meeting
9:00am-1:00pm
Hancock Center

- I. Meeting Call to Order at 9:05 by Curt Boak.
- II. Roll Call
 - a. Present- Curt Boak, Eric Davey, Mitchell Hooten, Dan Lucas, Craig Moore, Adam Palmatier, Carey Mitchelson
 - b. Absent- Dan Mausolf, Scott Rettmann, Brad Lazroff, Matt Gaver, Jeff Holmes, Christian Koval
- III. Consent of Agenda (Motion/Second)
 - a. Approval to be made at next board meeting.
- IV. Approval of past board meeting minutes (Motion/Second)
 - a. November 17, 2022
- V. Student Turf President Report
- VI. Treasurer's Report: (Brad Lazroff) (Motion/Second)
 - a. Fundraising Events Net Income presented.
 - i. Conference finances not finalized, but current income is at 76k.
 - b. Proposed Budget presented- vote will be held at next board meeting.
- VII. Executive Reports
 - a. President's Report: (Curt Boak)
 - i. Vargas Update
 - ii. New procedural guidelines will be available to pick up at next board meeting.
 - iii. MSU Athletic Ticket Procedure updated regarding review and approval.
 1. A deadline will be set for the sale of sporting tickets.
 2. If the tickets are not sold prior to this date, they will be put in drawing to be dispersed among board members.
 - iv. Matt Gaver may need to be replaced dependent upon employment status. Executive Director will contact Gaver for confirmation prior to contacting Adam regarding recommended replacements if needed.
 - b. Executive Director's Report: (Carey Mitchelson)
 - i. GAM Club donations with dollar amounts presented.
 - ii. Albert M. & Lydia M. Green Foundation contribution in honor of Michael Morris presented.
 - iii. TT4T
 1. Annual recording of all round donations will be filed within Wild Apricot event page.
 2. Letter and Email letter will be sent requesting donations. A letter of acknowledgment and appreciation will be mailed to donors.
 - iv. Golf Alliance Meeting- Their goal is to promote golf as a career locally. Similar to USGA's promotion of "Make Golf Your Career."

- v. Turf Team- Dr. Roger's article of turfgrass facility for 2026 FIFA World Cup presented.

VIII. Turf Team Update: (Dr. Frank)

- a. Twenty-four students participated in Orlando and six participated in Salt Lake City. Highest placing was 5th.
- b. Turf team is planning a meeting near the end of March with industry representatives to brainstorm new ideas and the future of the program.
- c. All research reports and summaries have been submitted.
- d. Joe Vargas Replacement- currently drafting a position description. Interviews to be expected after approval.

IX. Standing Committee Reports

- a. Nominating Committee: (Dan Lucas)
 - i. Replacement for Matt Gaver, Dan will accept nominations after status is confirmed.
- b. By-Laws Committee: (Dan Mausolf)
 - i. Guidelines updated regarding MSU Athletic ticket distribution.
- c. Awards Committee: (Dan Lucas)
 - i. Meritorious Award will not be given this year and will focus on Dr.Vargas award next year.
 - ii. 2023 MTF Scholarship recipient photos presented.
- d. Long Range Planning: (Dan Mausolf)
- e. Founders Society Committee: (Brad Lazroff)
 - i. Prior to conference, Jesse informed Brad that funds are no longer needed. Reasoning to why funds are no longer needed is currently unknown.
 - ii. A campaign or plan to rebuild the Founder's fund needs to be established.
 - iii. Superintendent, Tom Stark, donated \$5k to Founders Fund in memory of his wife. Notified via Doug Johanningsmeier.
 - iv. Kevin Frank notes that communication and Founder's requests need to be clearly defined. Curt confirms that further details will be inquired.
- f. Endowment Fund Committee: (Curt Boak)
 - i. Funds from LaFontaine Golf Outing previously donated to graduate students.
 - ii. Silent Auction previously dispersed to Reiki Fund. Eric Davey suggests silent auction should rebuild the Founder's Fund.

X. Ad Hoc Committee Reports:

- a. Communication Committee: (Curt Boak)
 - i. News Notes to be published in June 2023. Davey will contact Dunham Hills Retiree, Tom Stark who retired last year.
- b. Conference Committee: (Curt Boak)
 - i. Conference survey results presented.
 - ii. Income of \$140k, expenses of \$63k, profit of \$76k.
 - iii. Increase in attendance impacted this year's profit.
 - iv. Possibly replace Founders reception with a Vargas reception with less speaking.
 - v. Moving lunch to the vendor room would increase room availability/overheating through ball rooms.
 - vi. Conference 2025- date and location needs to be established.
- c. Field Day Committee: (Dan Mausolf)
- d. GAM Relationships/Liaison Committee: (Eric Davey)
 - i. GAM annual meeting upcoming and will be shorter. Turf Team/Kevin/Brian Horgan will speak at event. GreenSection meeting will declare superintendent of the year.

- e. Graduate Student Assistantship Committee: (Carey Mitchelson)
 - i. Application and selection is currently ongoing. Deadlines pushed to middle of march.
- f. Lafontaine Golf for Grads Committee: (Dan Mausolf)
- g. Membership: (Dan Mausolf)
 - i. Membership levels presented.
 - ii. Honorary Member names presented
- h. Michigan Turfgrass Student Relations Committee: (Eric Davey)
 - i. Closest to Pin raised \$1090. Total of \$2090 donated.
 - ii. Sponsors: TracMan and PGA-Michigan Section
 - iii. Action Item: send sponsor contact information to Turf Team to acknowledge.
- i. Tee Times 4 Turf Committee: (Scott Rettmann)
 - i. Currently at 40 confirmed courses. Calls have started to request round donations. Goal of over \$50k.
 - ii. Lawn Care/Sports Turf brainstorm ways to monetize items in their industry.
- j. Turfgrass Research and Educational Committee: (Craig Moore)
 - i. Waiting on last proposal from Emily.
 - ii. Research reports presented.
- k. Joe Vargas Chair
 - i. Carey Mitchelson has requested further information from MSU Liaison Brittany and Jeff.
 - ii. Next meeting will determine date to submit next check.
- XI. Old Business
 - a. None
- XII. New Business
 - a. None
- XIII. Adjourn meeting at 10:38 by Curt Boak.

Respectfully submitted by,
Britney VanderKodde
Executive Secretary