

# AGENDA EMERGENCY SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING GOLDEN RAIN FOUNDATION CLUBHOUSE FOUR/LIVE STREAM Wednesday, December 30, 2020, 10 a.m.

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- New Business
  - General
    - Reopening Active Outdoor Amenities and Amphitheater, for Religious Services
- Board Member Comments

From: Norma Daniels <<u>snackprincess@gmail.com</u>> Sent: Monday, December 14, 2020 11:04 AM

To: Randy L. Ankeny < <a href="mailto:randya@lwsb.com">randya@lwsb.com</a>>; Susan Hopewell < <a href="mailto:shopewell@lwsb.com">shopewell@lwsb.com</a>>

Subject: Correspondence

I would like to submit this correspondence to be read at the next GRF meeting.

To the GRF board,

I am writing as a concerned resident and also an ex security employee (of 11 years) as of January 1st 2021. At least that is what I read in the newspaper. What an underhanded piece of garbage that was. I cannot believe you have decided to do away with the part time employees of the security dept. First of all, if you think we don't know that was your work around to outsource security, you are sadly mistaken. We are not stupid. I cannot believe that you are going through with this. When you tried this a few years ago, the community was up in arms and they protested to make their voices heard. THEY DO NOT WANT THIS. I thought you were here for the residents of this community. The only difference now is you snuck this in under covid-19 and no one can do much about it. First of all, what is wrong with part time employees? We work here because we take pride in our community. Who better to work security than the people with a vested interest. Security has been using this outside company since the November of 2019. Despite what you may or may not believe about them coming in after covid. We in security knew then that something was wrong. The reason they were hired, is because we could not hire good people, for whatever reason. We have to pay double for the temps to work here. I really don't see how THIS is cost effective. Maybe if you offered a better wage... So not being able to hire anyone, the department did the next best thing. They went somewhere that did the work of hiring, and then just poached their employees. BUT, that is not the biggest problem. It is only the first. These outside temps do not get the training they need to work HERE in security. Yes, they can work at a nightclub or overnight at a closed office building, or even at a department store. But working here takes a whole different set of skills. And if you spend the time and money to train them thoroughly, they only work for a short period of time then they move on. They have a very quick turn around time. So, every 2 or 3 days, maybe even a week or two, there are new temps who need to be trained again. Temps means just that. They are TEMPORARY. Usually given simple tasks to perform. Not skilled tasks that need extensive training. How is that going to work AND be cost effective. What happened to the million dollar security decal system that was supposed to be up and running by now? Even that would help. We as residents would be better off just opening the gates and doing away with security altogether. Now THAT would save quite a bit of money and would work just as well as what you have planned by doing away with residents as part time security. I really don't understand (and I am not alone) what you are thinking. Sometimes it seems that you are not. Let's not have another pool, or globe, or electronic decal system fiasco. The only thing we as residents see is our money being wasted and Leisure World going down the drain. Look around, let's get back to what will benefit Leisure World and its residents.

Thank you, Norma Daniels. Mutua 2 12C ----Original Message-----

From: Jackie Theis < <u>jackietheis@gmail.com</u>> Sent: Monday, December 14, 2020 1:54 PM

To: GRF BoardAction < grfboardaction@lwsb.com >

Subject: Opening up LW

I give my full support to opening outdoor activities. People have a choice to use them or not. All of the employees leave at the end of the day and return the next day. That is a big exposure for us. Exercising and dancing wearing a mask and keeping social distancing is a risk I am willing to take for my physical and mental health.

Jacqueline Theis, Mutual 5, 113j

From: Robert Barnum <eldudelei72@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 15, 2020 3:31 PM

**To:** GRF BoardAction

**Subject:** 12/15/20 Board Meeting

I attended the meeting this morning in hopes of geting a valid reason for golf course closure. I left your meeting flabbergasted and frustrated. Members voted on ammenities which are totally different pertaining to covid. Religion at the amphitheater and golf have no common touch. You combined that vote with other amenities that are, in reality, completely different in this regard! Members spoke of the golfers being a minority and the vote needed to pertain to all LW residents, not just a few! I personally did my own survey of residents. 109 said leave the course open, 2 were against it! I must add a diverse sampling was asked, not just golfers. That's approximately 98% of "active" LW shareholders! I suspect sadly that @half of our senior residents never get outside. So in essence you are only voting against an @half of our residents who are still active. The residents who are not still active don't care one way or another! Your vote of no said this to many intelligent people. That with the majority of residents staying in their apts. that you all of should to. I suspect a few of your board members do exactly that. Stay home out of fear of covid or physical restraints. But at least 50 percent of residents, probably more, do not fit this description. And with them you are far from achieving your motto "to enhance the quality of an active lifestyle". So you voted no with what I can only assume is an alpha type instinct. Also with what I am certain is a lot of tunnel vision. Those two aspects of human nature do not coincide together at all. I hope you will someday, somehow, become fully aware of the realities existing in the very community you live in and represent.

From: Margie Thompson

**Sent:** Wednesday, December 16, 2020 9:54:22 AM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada) **To:** Carole Damoci; Janet Isom; Marsha Gerber; Nick Massetti; Phil Friedman; President GRF; Tony

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Cc: Lee Melody

Subject: SEVEN YES VOTES TO OPEN GOLF COURSE & OTHER THINGS

Dear Directors,

Thank you for your vote yesterday to open, Vet's Plaza, golf, bocce and the amphitheater for churches.

It was a tie vote – we only needed one more YES vote, perhaps from Lee Melody if he had been there?

Following the science – golf and protected outdoor activities do not show that it elevates the spread of covid.

We hope and pray that on Dec 21<sup>st</sup> you will again express your willingness to vote yes to open now.

We appreciate your reasonable thinking.

Margie Thompson, M11

From:

Linda Herman <accordionlinda@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, December 16, 2020 11:19 AM

To:

**GRF** Board

Cc:

Randy L. Ankeny

Subject:

Outside amenities

One thing that bothers me is "the board can vote to keep **our <u>amenities</u>** closed". I completely disagree that 18 shareholders can close down all our amenities. Especially the outside amenities. A lawyer and the courts might disagree. Ok so the board wants to keep us safe. But this is beyond ridiculous. If that was the case the board would not let anyone drive because there might be an accident. LW is not a safe place to drive. I should hope common sense would prevail soon!

Covid cases are more likely to happen from relatives and friends visiting, care givers that work all over the place, riding inside a closed bus, food trucks, grocery stores, Target. Shall I keep going? Are those going to be regulated also? I'm more at risk of my neighbor having their adult children over to visit than me playing golf.

I have played music in numerous senior living facilities and talking to them it is the outside workers that bring the covid into the facility. Golfing, pickle ball and such are safe things to do. Please open the outside amenities. Let common sense prevail.

Linda Herman

Mutual 12

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPad

From:

liz meripol lizmeripol@gmail.com>

Sent: To: Friday, December 18, 2020 12:41 PM GRF BoardAction; Randy L. Ankeny

Subject:

Golf Course

### Dear GRF Board,

As President of Women's Golf in Leisure World, I would like to thank you for considering the possibility of opening up our Golf Course. As you well know there is not another closed course in Orange or Los Angeles counties. I really admire those of you who are open-minded enough to do research and realize that golf is a safe outdoor activity. It is so frustrating to have our course closed for no apparent reason other than "to keep us safe"

I have emphasised many times that we are practicing social distancing and covering our faces. Please open up the course for all of our golfers so we can have a Happy Holiday and get some much needed challenging exercise.

Wishing all of you a Blessed Holiday!

Liz Meripol M-17

From: Marvin Jones

Sent: Friday, December 18, 2020 2:31:02 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)

To: Carole Damoci; Janet Isom; Marsha Gerber; Nick Massetti; Phil Friedman; President GRF; Ruben

Collazo; idodero@lwsb.com; Lee Melody

Subject: Opening Golf Course

#### **Dear Directors:**

Once again, we are pleading with you to open the outside venues. "Keeping us safe" is a poor excuse without any numbers of actual cases of the virus in Leisure World. If our health and keeping us safe is your main concern, outside with a mask and distancing is much better for our mental and physical health than being holed up and shut down.

Please don't punish us all for a few who may break the rules !!! Enforcement is the answer, not the knee jerk reaction "Well, we will just shut it down". Remove and punish those who will not abide by the rules. Many of the club members would happily help monitor the outdoor facilities. All we ask is a chance. We are adults and know the risks.

Thank you for your consideration.

Marvin Jones, President Men's Golf Club Marilyn Hewitt, Past President Ladies Golf Club From: David LaCascia < david91345@yahoo.com>

Sent: Friday, December 18, 2020 3:26 PM

To: GRF BoardAction <grfboardaction@lwsb.com>; Randy L. Ankeny <randya@lwsb.com>

Subject: Reopening of the LW Golf Course.

#### Dear GRF Board Members:

I listened to the special GRF BOD meeting held last week concerning reopening several of the outdoor activities that have been closed due to the resurgence of then virus. I was impressed by the comments and opinions of the members. Good points were made on both sides of the argument but I was disappointed at the "tie" indicating a failure to pass the reopening motion. Especially disturbing to me was that only 12 directors participated or voted. Aren't there at least 6 more members? With an issue that is troublesome, that affects members of all Mutuals, and is clearly being closely watched, shouldn't all the BOD members participate?

These points have been made several times, but I reiterate:

- 1) As far as we know no LW golfer has gotten COVID from the Golf Course.
- 2) All Orange County and Los Angeles golf courses are open with significantly less restrictions then we had here while our course was open.
- 3) According to their Web Site, the Laguna Woods Golf Course is open.
- 4) We follow the rules you specify. However, we know there are individuals who do not or will not follow the guidelines. Simple solution BAN THEM FROM THE GOLF COURSE.
- 5) We can police ourselves with on-course monitors either from LW Security or from Starters who are not working that day, or the Men's and Women's Clubs have offered their services.
- 6) The LW Mon/Fri Golf League shut down in March, but was reactivated in June and continues today. The number of players has been rising since our course was closed a few weeks ago. The larger than normal number of players points out the need we seniors have for regular outdoor exercise and activity, mental health pursuits, and camaraderie. None of us feels we are putting ourselves or our fellow players in any danger. The courses are crowded and everyone is respectful of each other's personal space and equipment.

With these facts in front of you I would respectivally request that you vote to reopen the Golf Course, the Pickleball Courts, Bocci, and the Amphitheater for religious purposes.

Sincerely, David LaCascia M4 89I From: Mary Ann Moore < pat and maryann@yahoo.com >

Date: December 21, 2020 at 4:15:47 PM PST

To: Recreation Committee < RecreationCommittee@lwsb.com >

**Subject: Golf Course** 

Reply-To: Mary Ann Moore < pat and maryann@yahoo.com >

Thank You to the Rec. Members who tried to keep our community safe. I know who you are because the Ladies Club let's us know who votes to open and close. I've seen how the golfers pull their masks down, how one member of the men's club tried to intimidate me when asked INSIDE the golf club room to pull his up, which he would not do. It will be someone with that attitude that puts us all at RISK.

I can't tell you how disappointed I am.

Mary Ann Moore

Mutual 14. . 21B

Jo Ann St Aubin <memboof42@gmail.com> From:

Monday, December 28, 2020 9:29 PM Sent:

Deanna Bennett To: **Opening Amenities** Subject:

Comment for Wednesday GRF meeting .. JoAnn St Aubin Mutual 1 12 A

#### **Board Members:**

Please consider a NO vote opening up amenities .. Covid is rising at an alarming rate and hospitalization is at an all time high ...we are an at risk community and every effort should be made to keep us all safe .. I live in Mutual 1 and there are 4 units with Covid around me .. Why take a chance? Please Board Members vote NO on reopening amenities...

Thank you

Sent from my iPhone

From: Margie Thompson < margiethompson 98@gmail.com >

Date: December 29, 2020 at 7:30:34 AM PST
To: Irma Heinrichs < <a href="mailto:iheinrichs@lwsb.com">iheinrichs@lwsb.com</a>>
Subject: VOTE TO OPEN OUTDOOR AMENITIES

# Dear Irma Heinrichs,

As my representative for mutual 11, I'd like for you to vote YES on Wednesday to OPEN outdoor amenities.

Consider this - I live in building 266 — only three units have active residents. Nine out of these 12 units are house-bound residents.

I believe that this is quite typical in LW.

House-bound residents will not get Covid from the folks using our outdoor amenities who are following the covid rules.

Please consider this and vote YES on Wednesday.

Sincerely,

Margie Thompson

From:

liz meripol lizmeripol@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, December 29, 2020 8:49 AM

To:

GRF BoardAction; GRF Board; Randy L. Ankeny

Subject:

Reopening Outdoor Venues

## Dear GRF Board,

AS PRESIDENT OF LWWGC I AM ASKING YOU TO

Please reconsider your vote on reopening our outdoor activities. Many of our residents are very active and continue to be at venues outside Leisure World.

Seal Beach has Pickle Ball courts being used by many of our residents who would really rather be playing at our beautiful new courts.

GOLF IS BEING PLAYED AT ALL COURSES OUTSIDE LEISURE WORLD-INCLUDING LAGUNA WOODS!......SEE ATTACHED.....

WE NEED THESE ACTIVITIES IN OUR LIVES TO REMAIN PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY HEALTHY.

# FROM LAGUNA WOODS MEN'S WEBSITE:

GRF-VMS Golf Guidelines (re:COVID-19) - Mask UPDATE, NOT ALL-the-TIME, (Eff: 12/11/20)

Masks until the first tee and immediately after Golf, + Putting Greens!!

LIZ MERIPOL M-17

From: Linda Herman <accordionlinda@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 29, 2020 10:40:07 AM
To: Susan Hopewell <a href="mailto:shopewell@lwsb.com">shopewell@lwsb.com</a>>

Subject: Meeting tomorrow

I hope that at the meeting tomorrow that no director will use my email out of context. Let me explain so you will understand. First of all a senior living facility is far different from a nursing home. Nursing homes are a stopping point between the hospital and home. A senior living facility is a home to many just as is LW. If I am hired to play at the facility they have clearance to allow entertainment with strict rules. Most of the time I've played outside. I do not have one on one contact with the residents. However a caregiver does have one on one and usually with more than one resident and probably at several locations. So when the person that hires me tells me the virus gets in from the outside that is what they mean. LW has caregivers that have more than one client and work at different places also. Think about that.

I hope this clarifies what I said in my email. Linda Herman

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPad

From: Henry Uranga < henry@grani.biz>

Date: December 28, 2020 at 10:45:32 AM PST

To: Leah Perrotti < lperrotti@lwsb.com >, JoAnn Aubin < jaubin@lwsb.com >

Cc: henry@uranga.org

Subject: COVID

Dear Leah & JoAnn,

I am fond of the old adage "the squeaky wheel gets the grease". Would you please consider sharing this at your next meeting with GRF?

The CDC issued guidelines regarding COVID-19 vaccine distribution for seniors, but it will ultimately be managed by the states. Since most of our 9,000 shareholders vote, and we represent more than a third of the population of our city, I hope one of our elected representatives will act as an advocate for LWSB to ensure our vulnerable members are prioritized in California's distribution plan.

For your convenience, here is a list of contacts.

California State Assembly District 72 Janet Nguyen 17011 Beach Blvd., #1120 Huntington Beach, CA 92647 (714) 843-4966 https://ad72.asmrc.org/

California State Senate District 34 Tom Umberg 1000 E. Santa Ana Blvd., Ste. 220B Santa Ana, CA 92701 (714) 558-3785 https://sd34.senate.ca.gov/contact

Seal Beach council member district 2 Thomas Moore (562) 431-2527 x1502 tmoore@sealbeachca.gov

Seal Beach council member district 5 Sandra Massa-Lavitt (562) 431-2527 x1505 smassalavitt@sealbeachca.gov

US Representative 48th Congressional District Harley Rouda 4000 Westerly Place #270 Newport Beach, CA 92660 (714) 960-6483 https://rouda.house.gov/contact

Thanks for your time.

I am in the office Monday, Wednesday, & Friday.

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