

Bosch conducts last meeting, colleagues laud his leadership

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Leon Bosch, presiding over his last regular Golden Rain Foundation meeting on Tuesday, said he felt as if he was retiring for the third time of his life.

"I've enjoyed nothing but good will in this last year, and I'm grateful for that," he said.

Bosch taught history for many years at Northwestern University in Illinois, then taught at the University of California, Irvine. He implied that his latest stint as a GRF director and president, was his last.

Nick Ugrin, vice president of GRF, lauded Bosch's efforts.

"Nobody has been fairer in his handling of these meetings. He has been a moderator and a leader."

Ugrin said Bosch's appreciation of everybody's right to an opinion has been demonstrated time and again.

"We're sorry to see him go," Ugrin said, but joked, "I don't think he's going to retire, I think he's going to be around for a while."

Tuesday's meeting was not all farewells.

Last month GRF voted to hire a consulting firm to see if a new pumping and chlorination system is necessary in Leisure World. The directors allocated \$60,000 but at Tuesday's meeting Irrigation Subcommittee Chairman Harry Schwartz said the consultant firm selected cost less than

\$60,000.

The subcommittee originally was told a new pumping system was necessary to accommodate the \$800,000 irrigation system recently approved to be installed at the golf course.

Schwartz, also chairman of the 25th Anniversary Committee, said May 19 will be "announcement day." The event, which will begin at 10:30 a.m., will include the unveiling of the logo to be used in Leisure World's 25th anniversary celebration.

In other business, the board:

Voted to spend \$52,150 to rebuild Greens 3 and 12 on the 27-hole golf course. The greens replacement program has been in place for six years. These are the last two greens to be replaced.

Will spend \$1,100 to purchase a heat exchanger in Clubhouse 1. The Clubhouse 1 main lounge, pool locker rooms, billiard and exercise rooms have been without heat for more than two weeks. The heat exchanger was 24-years-old when it broke.

Accepted two tree donations; one from Easton Roberts to add three palm trees valued at \$90 each to the golf course and another for a 24-inch boxed carrotwood tree, to be planted on the golf course.

Established a rule for memorial funds. Undesignated donations to GRF will be placed in a Golden Rain Memorial Fund.