

GSWPGA GENERAL MEETING
WEST SEATTLE GOLF COURSE, SEATTLE, WA
FEBRUARY 17, 2011

President Juanita Harwood called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The secretary called the roll with response as follows:

Auburn 2; Bellevue 3; Cascade 1; Foster 1; Jackson Jills 3; Jefferson Park 1; Lake Wilderness 1; Maplewood 2; Mt. Si 3; River Bend 4; Snoqualmie Falls 1; Twin Rivers 1; Wayne 2; West Seattle 4; Willows Run 2.

Minutes

Linda Chesney summarized the minutes from the January Executive Board Meeting, which were approved and will be posted on the GSWPGA website.

Treasurer

Copies of the 2011 annual budget, which was approved at the January Executive Board Meeting, were distributed to each attendee. .

Tournaments

Cindy Andre, Tournament Director, reported that entries for Tournaments will be accepted only through U.S. mail. E-mail responses will only be accepted for those clubs reporting "no entries." Since slow pace of play has become a big issue, Cindy is reviewing the tournament software we use to see if it can print the time a foursome should be at each hole based on their start time or, at least, when they should finish. She also reported that there will be no raffles at the City Championship at Mt. Si, which may make the higher green fee charged by this course more palatable for members.

Rules

Janice Courtney, Assistant Rules Chair, led a discussion on the use of Winter Rules/Preferred Lies, which has become an issue since the December release of PPGA guidelines on Preferred Lies that provide two options, both of which are different from what we have done in the past. Following extensive input, a motion was made, seconded and passed that prior to each GSWPGA Sweeps event, the Rules Committee will consult with the hosting club captain to determine if the course conditions warrant the use of Winter Rules/Preferred Lies. If such conditions do exist, the use of the Winter Rules/Preferred Lies will be specified on the rules sheet that is distributed to each participant on the date of the event. The same motion was passed for Team play; however, this motion was then rescinded by a subsequent motion, which did pass, that Team will continue to play winter rules as they have in the past, i.e., clean and place within six inches anywhere on the course except for hazards and within 36 inches of a tree.

Team

Kren Maguire, Association Team Captain, reported that slow pace of play has resulted in the Premier Golf Courses not willing to provide early tee times, which means that some of the events will not be starting until 9:30 or 10:00. She stated that she has addressed

this issue with the Club Team Captains and asked for their help in improving pace of play. A motion was made and seconded to play “ready golf” and eliminate “honors,” but the motion did not pass since it does not conform to USGA rules.

PNGA/WSGA Representative

Cathy Kay reported that she will be attending the PNGA annual meeting at the end of the month and will report on the outcomes at the next GSWPGA meeting.

Historian

None.

Trophies & Awards

None.

Old Business

- By-Law Change for Historian: The Secretary will be distributing a copy of the proposed By-Law change for the Historian 30 days prior to the July meeting so it can be voted on at that meeting. The proposed change eliminates the need for the Historian to prepare a photo album for the outgoing President and, instead, only requires that she take pictures at events and post on the GSWPGA website, as appropriate/
- Tote box of missing President’s binders: Attendees were requested to ask around if anyone knows the whereabouts of this missing tote box.
- GSWPGA Vice President Nomination: West Seattle is responsible to nominate a candidate to assume the Vice President position for 2012.

New Business

- Preferred Lies: Ppreviously discussed under Rules report.
- Terri Weiner, Mt. Si, gave a brief report on the City Championship, which her club will be hosting next year. Since the course is situated in wine country, the theme for their event will be “Sip & Swing at Mt. Si.” There is only one requirement: “No one can whine, but you may drink wine.” She stated that lunch options will be available for the first two days and that all three days will be shotguns.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Chesney, Secretary