

Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Diane Quinn.

Attending:

- Diane Quinn, Lynn Chapmen, Cathy Woodburne – Jackson Jills
- Kren Maguire, Rose Wagenman – Maplewood
- Hisayo Nakahara – Bellevue
- Pat Hinneburg – Mount Si
- Melissa Matkin, Tam Kammin – Willows
- Cindy Andre – Cascade

February General Meeting Minutes

The minutes have been distributed via email by Pat Hinneburg. Pat has incorporated revisions received by her. It was moved and seconded that the minutes be approved as revised. Motion carried.

Constitution/Bylaws/Standing Rules

Diane Quinn shared with the group that she, Pat Hinneburg and Cindy Andre met in June to review the Constitution, Bylaws and Standing Rules for potential changes. Those changes were presented at this meeting and reviewed/ revised by the attendees.

Constitution/Bylaws Proposed Changes:

- Pat Hinneburg will distribute via email the proposed changes to the Constitution/Bylaws, including today's revisions, to all member clubs a minimum of 30 days prior to the November General Meeting held in conjunction with the Awards Banquet.
- Club Representatives must post the proposed changes in their club houses (or distribute to their members if posting in the club house is not a viable option) for member review.
- The proposed changes will be reviewed and voted upon at the November General Meeting by those in attendance.
- Constitution/Bylaws will then be updated per the vote by the GSWPGA Secretary and a copy will provided to the Web Master for posting on the Web.

Standing Rules Proposed Changes:

GSWPGA Competitions:

- Add 4 Lady 2 Best Ball
- Remove number preceding Team Matches

B. RULES

Add the following:

6. In the event the field has to be limited for a tournament, entrant(s) will be eliminated by a

blind draw without regard to flight status, with the stipulation that at least every member club may have one team left after the draw. Entrant(s) can only be eliminated once per three (3) consecutive seasons. Executive Board members and Club Representatives are exempt from the draw. Any entrant eliminated from a monthly tournament will be eligible for the following City Championship.

7. In the event a tournament's field overfills with Executive Board Members, City Representatives, and previously eliminated players, elimination will be by blind draw with exception to the Executive Board Members and the previously eliminated players during the current tournament season.

8. An entrant who was not eliminated by the blind draw but volunteers her spot to another entrant who was eliminated will be given the three year exemption from elimination.

9. For the City Championship tournament, entrants will be eliminated from the highest to the lowest differential in the case of an overfilled field.

Board Member Entry Fees

The GSWPGA will pay total green fees *and* entry fees for the Tournament Director, Association Team Captain, Secretary and Treasurer only.

Captains' Meetings: delete from Standing Rules as it is covered in Constitution/Bylaws proposed changes that will be distributed.

Cindy Andre moved that the proposed Standing Rule changes (including revisions suggested at today's meeting) be approved. Kren Maguire seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Note: These changes affect only the Standing Rules and can be approved by the vote of the attendees at this meeting.

Trophy Winner Information on GSWPGA Website

Kren Maguire noted that she reviewed the GSWPGA Website and determined that although much of the previous GSWPGA trophy winner information is available on the website some is not out there. She suggested that we make sure that the information is captured in the minutes from the General Meeting held in conjunction with the Awards Banquet.

- Cindy Andre (current Trophy Chairperson) took the action to add to the Trophy Chairperson's Responsibilities the task of providing a list of all trophy winners to the Secretary and the Webmaster at the Awards Banquet.

Tournament Chair Volunteer for 2016

After requesting a volunteer at the 2014 Awards Banquet to take over the responsibilities of Tournament Chairperson for 2016 Cathy Woodburne, Tournament Chairperson, announced that we had two volunteers within a very short period in July. One from Cascade and from Twin Rivers generously offered to take on this big responsibility.

As Liane was the first to offer her services Cathy began working with her in preparing the tournament information for the 2015 GSWPGA Championship. Liane will continue to shadow Cathy for the rest of 2015.

GSWPGA Championship

Tam Kammin and Melissa Matkin asked how dates for the GSWPGA Championship are determined. Cathy Woodburne advised them that the hosting club determines the dates within certain parameters, i.e. usually held the 2nd week in August on Monday/Tuesday or Tuesday/Wednesday. It was the consensus of the group that GSWPGA will continue with two day championships as that format has approved by General membership votes the last two years.

Cindy Andre told the group that Cascade will host the 2017 GSWPGA Championship at Snoqualmie Falls Golf Course. The hosting responsibilities will be shared with the Wayne Women's Club depending on the Wayne group's status at that time.

Cindy shared that she spoke with Wayne members attending the 2014 Awards Banquet that Cascade wanted to approach Snoqualmie Falls Golf Course about the 2017 championship venue. Wayne members advised her of the situation with their golf course.

Team

Kren Maguire, GSWPGA Team Captain, said that she will be meeting with the member club's Team Captains to discuss:

- Observers at GSWPGA Team Events.
- A proposed change to the Team scoring method submitted by Mount Si.
- Team Perennial Awards Plaque – see following for Perennial Trophy/Plaque Committee proposal.

GSWPGA Perpetual Trophy/Plaque Retention:

Diane Quinn, Pat Hinneburg, Kren Maguire and Cindy Andre met following the July tournament at Mount Si to discuss the issue of GSWPGA Perpetual Trophies/Plaques.

Summary of the Trophy meeting was shared with the group today:

This committee met to discuss how perpetual plaques/trophies will be stored following retirement. We reviewed the costs related to replacing retired plaques and the costs to reuse existing plaques replacing the yearly plates.

There is negligible cost benefit to reusing plaques. Labor to remove the yearly plates and the cost to replace them is close to that of replacing the plaques with new ones. In addition, once the yearly plates are removed they are no longer connected to the plaque and would likely be lost – this has already happened with one perpetual trophy yearly plates which were removed to make room for new ones.

GSWPGA does not have a display/storage facility. West Seattle has some of our retired plaques but not all. West Seattle has offered to take the perpetual plaques that we'll be retiring in 2015 and 2016. WSGA has not as yet developed plans for a facility at the Home Course so future display of our retired perpetual plaques/trophies is not an option at this time. WSGA might be willing to store boxes of our retired plaques/trophies, depending on the quantity, but we feel the likelihood that they could be lost is high.

Winners of City Championship, Carmen Johnson, President's Cup, and Champion of Champion competitions currently receive mementos engraved (Kusak crystal at this time) with our organization's logo, name, award name and year.

The Trophy Committee proposed the following:

- Continue giving crystal awards to the winners of the competitions as we do today.
- Retire perpetual plaques/trophies as the last available year slot on each is filled.
Do not replace them.
- Offer the last winner/winner's club the opportunity to display the plaque/trophy at their club. If the offer is declined then discard the plaque unless someone steps forward to take ownership of the plaque/trophy.
- Assure that all GSWPGA award information is maintained on the organization website.

Team Perpetual Plaques:

There are seven year plates left on the two GSWPGA Team Plaques. Because Team Members do not receive mementos in the fashion of the other organization awards a proposal on what to do about the Team Plaques was not made by the Trophy Retention Committee. The committee felt that discussions between GSWPGA Club Teams and the association Team Captain should occur relative to this subject prior to a recommendation.

Cathy Woodburne moved that the trophy committee's proposal be approved. Lynn Chapman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Note: This change affects only the Standing Rules and can be approved by the vote of the attendees at this meeting.

The changes will be added to the GSWPGA Standing Rules Appendix/Policies master by the GSWPGA Secretary. An updated copy of the documentation will be provided to the Web Master for posting on the GSWPGA Website.

It was determined that there was no other business to be addressed and Diane Quinn adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Andre