# GSWPGA Executive Board Meeting 07/11/19 Minutes Mount Si Golf Course

Attending: Tam Kammin, Kren Maquire, Mary VanHouten, Karen Jaskolka, Lisa Stix, Janet Dobrowolski, Judy Adrian, Melissa Matkin, Hisayo Nakahara, Cindy Andre.

The meeting was called to order by President Tam Kammin.

### **Treasurer's Repot**

Janet reported we have a \$487 profit in the General Fund year to date.

## **Excess Green Fees**

Implemented this year, Tournament Directors verify with host golf courses what green fees will be charged prior to the event so that entrants will not over/underpay green fees. In spite of that, a host course for a tournament charged less green fees than what they had previously stated resulting in overpayment of green fees by participants.

A motion was made/seconded/carried to apply any excess green fees paid for a tournament will become part of that tournament's prize fund.

#### **Club Rotations**

It was noted by Cindy that she hadn't removed Wayne@Nile from the Responsibility Rotation Matrix and will do so.

The Responsibility Rotation was discussed and it was determined that member clubs need to do their part in support of the organization but that we will help clubs find volunteers from GSWPGA membership when they are unable to supply someone from their club. It is felt that the Responsibility Rotation Matrix serves as a reminder to member clubs of upcoming responsibilities and shares those responsibilities in an equitable way.

As a result of Wayne @ Nile leaving the organization in February, Lake Wilderness became responsible to provide a Vice President nominee for 2020. The VP, President, Trustee responsibility seems to be a difficult one for clubs. Tam suggested that the Trustee portion of that responsibility could be reduced to one year from two. A motion was made/seconded/carried to reduce the length of the Trustee term to one year.

Tam will contact Diane Clavin, Lake Wilderness's representative, about the need for a VP nominee.

#### **Shot Gun Starts**

Shot gun starts are routinely provided by some courses and not others. We would like to have shot guns for as many events as possible but especially for the Four Lady Best Ball, President's Charity and City Championship (day 2). Mary Van Houten and Hisayo Nakahara, next year's Tournament Directors, will try to get as many shot gun starts as possible. This could mean that we hold events more often at courses that accommodate this requirement than others. As the City Championship is hosted by all member clubs per the Responsibility Rotation, those events will be held at those courses whether or not a shot gun start is provided on day 2.

It was the consensus of the group that, considering local traffic, 7 AM shotguns are much more attractive then they used to be and should be considered by the Tournament Directors, especially if that would help a course agree to a shot gun start.

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## **Potential Closure of Seattle City Courses**

The Seattle City Council has been considering closing city owned golf courses to provide affordable housing. There has been significant pushback against this plan and it has been determined that existing city green space ordinance would make it difficult to implement this idea. But keeping the green space wouldn't necessarily save the golf courses. Tam suggested GSWPGA should send a letter to the Seattle City Council stating our long standing support of these courses and our opposition to their closure. Tam will draft a letter.

## **November Awards Luncheon**

Tam shared that Susan Stahl, social chair, notified her that the November Awards Luncheon would be held at Sahalee Golf & Country Club again this year.

Meeting adjourned by Tam.

Respectfully submitted, Cindy Andre Secretary