

GSWPGA Executive Committee Meeting  
November 7, 2019, Sahalee Golf & Country Club  
Minutes

**Attendees:** Tam Kammin, President; Kren Maguire, VP; Janet Dobrowolski, Treasurer; Cindy Andre, Secretary; Karen Jaskolka, Rules; Lisa Stix, Asst. Rules; Susan Stahl, Social; Judy Adrian, Tournament; Mary Van Houten, Trustee.

The meeting was called to order by. Tam

**Treasurer's Report: Janet**

Janet reported that the General Fund will be about \$500 less than last year once the luncheon monies are added and outstanding receipts are paid. The extra \$10/flight added to tournament prize funds accounts for most of the \$500.

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made/seconded/carried.

**Year End Audit:**

The yearend audit needs to be done by mid-January. Carol Albo, a previous GSWPGA Treasurer, was mentioned as a potential auditor. The President and Treasurer will find someone to audit the books.

**Committee Reports**

**Tournament:**

Judy reported that splitting the job of Tournament Director worked well for her and Melissa resulting in a lightened load for each of them. She shared that Golf Genius was a challenge and that it changed quite a bit the second year. Eccy 9 is difficult for Golf Genius to handle and it was suggested that Various Pars might be a better substitute and is handled well by the software.

Judy suggests that in the future the hosting club should provide a person(s) to distribute competition cards.

She also noted that West Seattle felt lost at the beginning of the Championship hosting process although the resulting Championship was very well done. She suggests we enhance what we provide the hosting clubs in the beginning of the process.

**Rules:**

Karen shared that the new rules implemented in 2019 went surprisingly well.

Tee Time starts are challenging for the Rules personnel as waiting for the very last group to finish their round just in case there is a rules issue. Makes for a very long day. We discussed working with the club Professionals. Kren shared that PPGA Rules personnel can be used for tournaments if notified in advance. It was determined that the rules person does not need to remain at the course until all groups are done if there is 1) a phone number available to reach the rules person or 2) if an alternate person has been identified to handle any rules issues that may arise.

Lisa is moving to the Secretary position for 2020 so Karen needs an assistant.

It was suggested that GSWPGA purchase and maintain a current copy of the Big rules book that includes the decisions.

Karen raised the question of whether the Rules Chair should be involved with Team competitions.

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**Team:**

Kren reported that there were 8 Teams/7 matches this year. In 2020 West Seattle will be participating in Team again but unfortunately Snoqualmie Falls/Twin Rivers team will not.

Slow play remains an issue.

**Trophy:**

Cindy reported that she was \$61.80 over budget primarily due to a lower than usual turnout for the Championship.

**PNGA/WSGA (now WaGolf):**

Kren reported that the World Handicap System will be effective January 2020. The handicap index will be revised daily and players should get in the habit of posting the day of play for their scores to be calculated into the index. If a score is not posted the day of play it will be available on the system but not part of the handicap calculation. Kren noted that it is believed that in the US handicap may change but likely less than one stroke. Also, abnormal course conditions will be part of the calculation.

Mary Van Houten, one of the 2020-2021 Tournament Directors stated the daily revision of the index will make managing the tournaments a challenge. Flights/Starting lists will be based on handicaps quite a bit earlier than those used when the competition cards are printed (probably two days before the event). And late substitutions will add another wrinkle to the mix.

WaGolf/PNGA would like anyone with used clubs to donate them to 1<sup>st</sup> Tee of Seattle, 1<sup>st</sup> Tee South Puget Sound or The American Lakes Veterans Golf Course in Lakewood, Washington. Kren will provide contact information.

The Home Course will have a Pro-Shop spring 2020 and WSGA is celebrating 100 years.

**Social:**

Susan shared that planning for the luncheon went well and that Sahalee offers the best package she could find. She volunteered to continue in the position in 2020.

**Historian/Website:**

Janet reported that she has been maintaining the web site during Mary Ryan's illness. Kren got Caryn Frey from Maplewood to volunteer to take the position with the assistance of Janet until she is able to get on board with the website.

**Old Business**

Maximum handicap is going to 54. A decision about implementing this change for our tournaments has been deferred to January 2020.

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**New Business**

**President's Charity:** Janet reported that the President's Charity event raised \$730 between the raffle and extra entry fee. Tam is also donating her \$50 President's Gift so \$780 will be donated to Washington Women in Need.

**Member Clubs Status:** Lake Wilderness will no longer be a member club. Participation in our events has been down from their club for a while. The Bellevue 9 Hole Club is considering joining GSWPGA. Mary Van Houten has been in contact with them.

**VP Nominee:** Twin Rivers was the second club to be unable to provide a VP nomination for 2020 - again due to low membership and the additional element of uncertain future of their home course.

It was moved to discontinue the forfeiture of GSWPGA membership to clubs unable to provide a VP nominee. Motion was seconded and carried. If no one from the membership volunteers for the position at the General Board Meeting Tam will cover both the Trustee and VP positions in 2020.

**City Championship Contributions:** Cathy Woodburne noted via email to the Ex-Committee that we have not increased our subsidy to the Championship hosting clubs for many years and suggested that we need to do so. Janet, after a budget review, moved that we increase the subsidy to \$6/entrant in the Championship with the money coming from the General Fund. Motion was seconded and carried.

**2018 Officer Nomination Slate and Committee Chairs:** Kren announced the slate of Officers proposed for election for 2020:

President: Kren Maquire

VP:

Secretary: Lisa Stix

Treasurer: Janet Dobrowolski

Committee Chairs are as follow:

Tournament: Mary Van Houten/Hisayo Nakahara

Team: Angela Hobbs

Rules: Karen Jaskolka

Trophy: Margot Winter

Web: Janet Dobrowolsk

Social: Susan Stahl

Web: Caryn Frey

Trustee: Tam Kammin

**Tournament Prize Fund:** A motion was made to continue supplementing tournament prize funds by \$10/flight through 2020. Motion was seconded/carried.

Meeting was adjourned by Tam Kammin.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Andre

Secretary