

GSWPGA General Board Meeting Minutes  
November 7, 2019, Sahalee Golf & Country Club

The meeting was called to order by. Tam

**Roll Call:**

<b>Bellevue</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Jackson Jills</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Jefferson Park</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Lake Wilderness</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Maplewood</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Mount Si</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Nile</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Redmond Ridge</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Riverbend</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Snoqualmie Falls</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Twin Rivers</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>West Seattle</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Willows</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>54</b>

**Treasurer's Report: Janet**

Janet Dobrowolski 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.

The Treasurer's Report was approved at the Executive Committee Meeting.

**Year End Audit:**

The yearend audit needs to be done by mid-January. The President and Treasurer will find someone to audit the books.

**Committee Reports**

**Tournament:**

Judy Adrian reported that splitting the job of Tournament Director worked well for her and Melissa resulting in a lightened load for each of them.

Judy acknowledged and thanked the club Representatives for the great job they do encouraging participation and being the front line between GSWPGA and the member clubs.

The number of rounds played between 2018 and 2019 in our tournaments remained close to the same.

Judy and Melissa Matkin are passing the Tournament Chair responsibilities to Mary Van Houten and Hisayo Nakahara who are taking on the job for Bellevue.

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**Rules:**

Karen Jaskolka thanked Lisa Stix for assisting with rules this year and Laura Mulholland for her support.

Karen shared that the new rules implemented in 2019 went surprisingly well. She noted that rules are your friend sharing that you can take an unplayable at anytime with a one stroke penalty and taking your ball back to where you hit from. If you have a rules question on the course on which your foursome cannot agree then play two balls (keep both scores) and ask the Rules committee when you finish your round.

Lesson learned by an LPGA player this year is that you cannot ask for or give assistance. Even asking what club another player used for a shot is not allowed.

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

**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.

**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 in 2022.

**Historian/Website:**

Tam shared that Mary Ryan has been ill and gone through chemotherapy and suggested that contacting Mary with well wishes would be great.

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

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**Social:**

Susan Stahl thanked everyone for coming to the luncheon and thanked Hisayo for helping with the raffle.

Susan has volunteered to continue in the position in 2020.

**President's Comments**

Tam reminded everyone that GSWPGA is a volunteer organization and encouraged everyone to take part. She shared that we are in the process of streamlining jobs and asked anyone with ideas to share them with the Executive Committee.

Tam wrote a letter from GSWPGA to Seattle Mayor Jenny Durkin in reference to city golf course land use. She stated that recreational green space is a valuable asset to any city/community and shared our long relationship with the city courses.

Tam is a member of the Newcastle City Council and was pleased to report that the council defeated a proposed admissions tax that would have been applied to Newcastle Golf Course.

**Old Business**

See New Business.

**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.

Today's luncheon raffle raised \$830 which will be split between the Evans Scholarship and Washington State Junior Golf.

**Member Club 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.

**2020 City Championship:**

Maplewood will be hosting the 2020 Championship. They have formed a committee and will be getting the historical championship notebooks from West Seattle. They will also review the championship preparation cheat sheet prepared by Diane Quinn and Pat Hinneburg several years ago.

**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.

As a result the Executive Committee voted to discontinue forfeiture of GSWPGA membership to clubs unable to provide a VP nominee per their turn in the rotation.

*Note: Roberta Robbins from Jackson Hills volunteered for the VP position at today's luncheon.*

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**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. At this morning's Executive Committee Meeting Janet moved that we increase the subsidy to \$6/entrant in the Championship with the money coming from the General Fund following a budget review by her. The Executive Committee approved her motion.

**Awards**

**Team**

Kren Maguire introduced the Club Team Captains. She also thanked Mary Ryan for getting Jefferson involved in Team again.

Kren recapped the year's Team competition in her usual entertaining way.

**Handicap:** Jackson Jills 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
Willows Run 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

**Scratch:** Maplewood 1<sup>st</sup> Place

**Tournaments:**

Tam presented trophies to the winners of tournament perpetual competitions and the Championship.

2019 TOURNAMENT AWARDS

President's Charity Event:

- Carmen Johnson (Low Gross) – Janet Dobrowolski / Maplewood
- President's Cup (Points) – Mary Bullock / Willows Run

Champion of Champion

- Rachel Strauss / West Seattle  
Value of crystal trophy donated to NW Harvest

Championship:

Flight Awards:

Flight 5:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Sholpan Belbayeva – Willows Run
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Louise (Mimi) Liang – Willows Run

Flight 4:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Sue Suh – Jackson Jills
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Taru Kuoppamaki – Willows Run

Flight 3:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Judy Adrian – Willows Run
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Cathy Woodburne – Jackson Jills

Flight 2:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Karen Jaskolka – Willows Run
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Yun Paik – Jackson Jills

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Flight 1: (Winner determined by card off)

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Carrie Jacobson - Maplewood
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Janine Chin – West Seattle

Championship Con't:

OF THE FIELD AWARDS:

- Low Net of the Field – Roberta Robbins – Jackson Hills  
(127 total net).

Champion

- Runner Up  
Rachel Strauss – West Seattle (158 gross)  
Value of crystal trophy donated to NW Harvest
- Champion  
Tina Papatolis – Maplewood (152 gross)

**Officer Nomination Slate and Committee Chairs:**

Kren announced the slate of Officers proposed for election for 2020:

President: Kren Maquire

VP: Roberta Robbins

Secretary: Lisa Stix

Treasurer: Janet Dobrowolski

**Committee Chairs are as follow:**

Tournament: Mary Van Houten/Hisayo Nakahara

Team: Angela Hobbs, Asst Team: Kren MaGuire

Rules: Karen Jaskolka

PNGA Rep: Nancy Daly

Trophy: Margot Winter

Social: Susan Stahl

Web: Caryn Frey

Trustee: Tam Kammin

The nominated slate of officers was voted on and approved by the membership.

Tam passed the gavel to the new President Kren Maguire wishing her well. Kren gave Tam the Past Presidents Plaque and thanked her for being the 2019 President.

Kren thanked everyone for coming and encouraged tournament participation.

Before adjourning the meeting, Tam shared how much she loved being President this year and thanked everyone for making it a good experience.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cindy Andre  
Secretary