2023 VSWGA December 13th Board Meeting

Meeting: Video Board Meeting

Date/Time: December 13th, 2023 4:00 PM

Place: Video

Board and Committee Members Present via Video: Linda Jane Parson, Amy Butcher, Jayne Magnant, Kate Mitchell, Dana Cassidy, Fran McCune, Nathalie Lascelles, Ellen Grimes, Sarah Lee, Karen Bowser (VSWGA Admin), Jen Steck (Majors).

Board and Committee Members Absent: Sis Capeless, Lauri Brown (Juniors)

Call To Order 4:00 PM

November Meeting Minutes Approval

Sarah Lee moved to approve. Jayne Magnant seconded. Approved

Jayne Magnant Treasurer's Report

- Continuing to contact member clubs who have not paid yet. Almost all have paid.
- Tri-State Request-Covid policy for handbook.
- Training for google drive will happen in 2024.
- Year End, budget for 2024 presented & discussed.
- Tri-State Subsidy from VSWGA being discussed.
 - o Amy Butcher and Linda Jane Parson will also speak with John Goodchild at VGA regarding possible subsidy as well.

Tournament Fee Increase

- Tri-State and Amateur fee increase of \$5.
 - o Note: Tri-State grand total fee players pay varies depending on which state is hosting.
- Mid-Am and Seniors fee increase of \$15.

Jayne Magnant moved to approve. Sarah Lee seconded. Approved

Welcome Karen Bowser

- How are you doing?
- Karen updated the Board on all she has been doing during the transition to her taking over the Operations Admin position.
- Pam Boyd aboard and a great help to Karen and the organization.

Popular State Days (90+ players in 2023) -Fee Increase

- Increase fees by \$5.00.
- It costs Admin more to manage them.
- Burlington CC, Dorset, Stowe, Quechee, Rutland, VNCC, GM National, Neshobe, Williston, Barre (10 courses).

Jayne Magnant moved to approve. Amy Butcher seconded. Approved

Selected Popular State Days-registration change to resolve unfairness in participating.

- Per Karen Bowser Admin We could resolve this with a lottery. Have everyone who wants to play do a pending registration by a specified date (like we do our majors) and then do a lottery to assign entry numbers to everyone. Move winners from pending registration to the roster and then pair with the system by time slot selected (1, 2 or 3). All cancellations can be replaced from the pending registration
- If the max number of players is not reached, players could possibly then be able to change their tee time or group they are playing with so it is suggested to list players you would like to play with when you register. This does not mean you will actually end up playing with them, but it will give Admin the information should it be able to happen.
- Selected Popular State Days: VNCC, Burlington CC, Stowe, Rutland

Linda Jane Parson moved to approve. Ellen Grimes seconded. Approved.

State Day Forward Tees Further Updates

- It was decided at the October annual board meeting that forward tees would only pay out net prizes and must have 22 over higher handicap (down from 25)
- Dana Cassidy requested further clarification regarding the number of flights to payout.
 - o 1-5 players = one net prize
 - **o** 6-10 players = two net prizes
 - o 11+ players = three net prizes

Jayne Magnant moved to approve. Dana Cassidy seconded. Approved

Pace of Play Handbook Update

- The pace of play committee (Ellen McAndrews, Sis Capeless and Kate Mitchell) met via phone on 11-14-23.
- Kate submitted the revised handbook information to the board to discuss and approve at this meeting. Linda Jane Parson moved to approve. Ellen Grimes seconded. **Approved**.

Lauri Brown Junior Golf

• Lauri emailed the board the minutes from the VSWGA Junior Golf Committee meeting held on 11-1-23.

Fran McCune & Pam Boyd

• Continuing to work on the VSWGA website.

Amy Butcher

- Tri State update
- NEGA Tournament June 25-27th at Samoset Resort
- VGA 12/10/23 Annual Meeting info. Amy Butcher, Fran McCune and Sis Capeless attended via Zoom.

Rules Committee Update:

- Linda Jane reported that Amy Butcher, Susan Rice, Josie Herrera and Linda Jane have all been approved by the VGA to go to rules course and VGA is covering the cost.
 - o Fran McCune asked who the chair of the committee is to update the website unknown yet.

Survey Concerns/Misunderstandings Responses.

- Update and follow-up on survey
- Board will review Ellen Grimes & Sis Capeless submittal and we will discuss at the next Board meeting.

Jen Steck

- Update on member book
- Major committees need to be filled.
 - o Put in the newsletter what is needed to be on committee.
- Trophy updates what is needed-bases, plaques, etc. will review at future meeting.
 - o Sis had given an update via email 12-10-23.
 - Some of the trophies have been taken to the engravers.
 - Needs help on what to do with some of the others, she believes at least two additional bases are needed.
 - The engraver gave feedback that the ones that are silver are very worn so we are onto the base and some are pewter.

Next Board Meeting: 1/17/24, 4:00pm-5:30pm via Zoom

Adjourned 5:40 PM.