VSWGA Board Meeting

Video conference 6/3/2021

**Meeting: Videoconference Board Meeting**

**Date/Time: June 3, 2021 4:00 PM**

**Board and Committee Members Present:**

Sis Capeless, Jo Allsopp, Dana Cassidy, Jen Farrington, Jen Steck, Cathy Neff, Linda Jane Parson, Kathy Sikora, Patty Shirk, Jayne Magnant, Sarah Lee, Peg McBride, Trish Wade **Absent:** Ellen McAndrew, Lauri Brown

**Call To Order 4:05 PM**

**Minutes of April Video Meeting**

Sis moved to approve. Dana seconded. **Approved.**

**Treasurer update**

Jayne reported all going well.

**Tri-State Report**

Trish Wade updated the board on Tri-States status. The team information was shared between the three states. Trish is coordinating details of the tournament with Rutland CC.

**State Day Report**

There has been a scoring issue with forward tees. Players have not been reporting the actual tees they played from and scorers are having a difficult time creating correct flights. It will be reminded on the tee sheet course information that the tees played have to be reported at the time of scoring. Scorers are responsible for making sure they are correct on Golf Genius when they enter the scores. Players are to be reminded that signing an incorrect card could lead to disqualification. Liaisons are responsible for closing and Jen Farrington will hold a liaison closing review session.

Since Covid protocols have changed in Vermont, the VSWGA is dropping the blanket rule regarding lifting and placing balls in the sand that may have an irregular lie. Jo moved to remove said rule. Jayne seconded. **Approved.**

**VGA and NEPGA Junior Tour**

Lauri will attend tournaments to promote VSWGA to junior girls. The tournaments are looking for volunteers for these tournaments and Linda Jane encouraged the board to help out and get volunteers from their clubs to also volunteer. Schedule is on website.

Sis made a motion for VSWGA to donate $300 to junior program to help defray cost of lunches for players. Sarah seconded. **Approved**

**9-hole League play**

As per discussion at April meeting, Kathy Sikora sent around an email to see if players might be interested in a 9-hole division for state days. It was met with much approval. The players would still have to pay the same.

Goal: to allow people to continue to participate as they age and are maybe unable to compete for 18 holes.

Scoring is an issue as well as distribution of points. The board will continue to discuss and proposed for next golf season. Many points have to be clarified.

Kathy Sikora is willing to receive emails results of a survey sent in a bulletin. It was suggested that we try it at a 9-hole course such as Bakersfield or Copley state day. If we have criteria set, we could possibly offer a trial run before the end of the 2021 season. Kathy Sikora will work with Suzanne Neville and Sarah Lee to present at July meeting.

**Fall Classic Bag Tags and business cards**

On order and on course for delivery. No course yet selected. Last year’s method of presentations during Covid was appreciated by many. Discussed how to continue.

**Women’s Golf Week**

Were unaware in time this year, but will plan to acknowledge somehow next year 2022.

**VSWGA Flyers and Rules of Golf**

Now in all clubs. There has been a favorable response from the women and clubs. Kathy will send a note to all reps to make sure their clubs have received and displayed.

Linda Jane thanked Jen Farrington for running rep trainings.

Linda Jane and Sis met with David Bennet, GM and golf pro at Country Club of VT. He feels certain clubs should get more for their greens fee part of State Day. His proposal was $60. Currently $45 plus tax for golf and carts. Also discussed how to use the course so members not shut out as long. Possibly use shotgun start and take up only morning. Still to be discussed.

**2021 VGA Scholarship Scramble**

Recipients of VGA scholarship are listed on the website.

Jo made motion to pay donation to send team to Proctor-Pittsford tournament again this year. Patti seconded. **Approved**

Cathy Neff may hold another rules meeting. It was agreed that the women who need to know the rules are the ones who do not attend. Cathy will send out rules notes every 2 weeks or so as a reminder of often missed rules.

**New Business**

VGA has a clothing line with VGA initials on the articles. Linda Jane pursued whether there could be a VSWGA line available. The proceeds from sales go toward junior golf. Will discuss further with John Goodchild.

Discussed how to notify membership when a player passes away. There is mention on the web page. It was decided that we will make notice at the beginning and end of the season.

Adjourn 6:30

Next meeting July 8, 4 PM