**2024 VSWGA February 15th Board Meeting**

**Meeting: Video Board Meeting**

**Date/Time: February 15th, 2024 4:15 PM**

**Place: Video**

**Board and Committee Members Present via Video:** Amy Butcher, Jayne Magnant, Kate Mitchell, Ellen Grimes, Dana Cassidy, Nathalie Lascelles, Sis Capeless, Pam Boyd (VSWGA Operations).

**Board and Committee Members Absent:** Linda Jane Parson, Fran McCune, Sarah Lee, Lauri Brown (Juniors), Jen Steck (Majors).

**Call To Order 4:35 PM**

**January 2024 Meeting Minutes Approval**

Jayne Magnant moved to approve. Dana Cassidy seconded. **Approved**

**Jayne Magnant Treasurer's Report**

* Membership so far is about $7,000 which is about on par with prior years YTD.

**Amy Butcher – Tri-States**

* Nice thank you from Mary Jane Shomo on extra donation.
* Although Linda Jane spoke with John Goodchild of the VGA regarding support of the tri-state team, he wasn’t willing to offer financial support. He suggested we might not send out member books and use that money for Tri-States. This is something to investigate for next year.

**Ellen Grimes/Sis Capeless-Survey Results**

* How do we want to move forward with the survey results?
  + Ellen hadn’t seen Jayne’s feedback – suggested that we discuss at the next Board meeting after Ellen has read her suggestions and feedback.
  + Ellen asked if we should add something regarding the Sarah Hunter Tournament. Manchester CC did not want to hold it anymore. Haystack was selected for it to continue as a tournament. Many members thought it was VSWGA initiating the move.

**Pam Boyd - Website**

* Pam has the member handbook from Jen Steck and it is almost ready to go.
* Pam appreciates Fran McCune’s efforts to get various Board members involved for feedback.
* Once the member handbook is complete Pam will start completing changes that should be made. She will also work with Fran on her suggestions.

**Kate Mitchell – Annual Rep & Annual Board Meeting By-Laws Change**

* There are no minutes from the 2023 Annual Rep meeting stating a vote was taken and that it passed to allow the by-laws change for more flexibility for the Oct Annual Rep (1st Tues of Mo) and Oct Annual Board (2nd Tues of Mo) meeting by-law changes. This will need to be re-done at the Oct 2024 Annual Rep meeting and announced again prior to that meeting.

**Karen Bowser**

* Update on her training and dates for new rep training and new member training. 3/25, 4/10, 4/22.
* Karen will do some practice training sessions with some board members. One hour should be sufficient.
* Amy Butcher requested that a Liaison be on each of the three calls.
* Various Admin questions submitted from Karen.
  + POP = Ellen McAndrews, Sis Capeless, Kate Mitchell. Ellen is the main contact person.
* Discussion about roles and responsibilities of Liaisons and Club reps again – are we all in agreement and have we fully documented? Can Karen rely on these folks for support? Do we want a team of technical experts to help with Golf Genius issues?

**Sis Capeless/Dana Cassidy – Trophy Update**

**Fall awards classic Trophies.**

* Sis and Dana will ask Ted if he can make more trophies and get paid for his work.
* Jayne Magnant moved to approve. Amy Butcher seconded. **Approved**

*Individual points- Janet Lang- up to date and polished.*

*Murray Jones*

*Division 1 -up to date and polished - slightly bent -will try to get supportive packaging.*

*Division 2 - up to date and polished.*

*Division 3 - up to date and given to Ellen McAndrew.*

*Genevieve Babbot - most improved - up to date and polished.*

*Amateur*

*Gross - up to date and polished     Note - this trophy is not named!!! (Ruth Raymond James)*

*Runner up- Ruth Raymond Jones -THERE ARE 2 TROPHIES NAMED AFTER RUTH*

*polished - NEEDS A BASE AND NEEDS KAYLIE PORTER 2023*

*Mid Ams*

*Gross and Net - up to date -PEWTER*

*Seniors*

*Gross -Ruth Raymond Jones (sound familiar?)-Polished =needs to be updated 2022   Andrea Brown and 2023 -Lin Culver)*

*NEED NEW BASE.*

*Runner up -polished - needs to be updated 2023- Gretchen White*

*Magnet on base needs to be changed around.*

*Super senior -polished and needs update- 2021, 2022- Mary Jane Shomo, 2023 -Mary Brush*

*We have a new base and will start to engrave plate.*

*Legend- Polished but can no longer engrave it because it is scalloped- Will see if we can engrave LEGEND in the middle.*

*NEEDS A BASE AND 2022 AND 2023-Reggie Parker*

*SUMMARY -*

*Need:  3 NEW PEDESTALS AND MAGNET ON THE ONE NEEDS TO BE REPAIRED. !!!!*

*Engraving:*

* *Amateur runner up: Kaylie Porter 2023*
* *Senior gross champion: Andrea Brown 2022 and Lin Culver 2023*
* *Senior runner-up: Gretchen White 2023*
* *Super senior: Mary Jane Shomo 2021 and 2022, Mary Brush 2023*
* *Senior Legend: Reggie Parker 2022 and 2023*

**Linda Jane Parson**

* Donations $115 YTD.
* All have been called and sent thank you’s.

**Sis Capeless**

* Do we have too many state days?
  + Add this to survey. Most states do not have close to this number of state days.
  + Is it too much for Admin?
  + This will be part of future conversations.
* Should 9-hole events be removed (takes more Admin work to do them than 18-hole events).
  + 20-30 people registered for most. Copley had around 60.
  + Typically hold them in conjunction with the Majors as alternative.
  + Can be a lot of work for Admin if more than 45 people.
  + Most do not have Reps, so Admin needed to get all the info needed.
  + Have Liaisons do this work.
  + Have a local rules sheet for each course.

**Lauri Brown Junior Golf.**

* Robin Newton, PE Instructor in Vergennes, has sent an email to all PE instructors statewide reminding them that most have First Tee equipment and that they should go dig it out of the closet and put to use. Resources for help and support were included in the email.
* Registration has opened for the Junior Tour (Per Pam Boyd).
* Sis Capeless asked if could cover $50 to sponsor Junior golfers to join the junior tour.
* Nathalie Lascelles moved to approve. Dana Cassidy seconded. **Approved**

**Open Time:**

**Dana Cassidy-State Days**

* + - Dana will be aging off Board. Nathalie will be taking over State Days!

Next Board Meeting: 3/13/24, 4:00pm-5:30pm via Zoom

Zoom room opens at 4:00

Meeting call to order at 4:15 (unless everyone there and ready to go earlier)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83561847185?pwd=UGlUaERVOXhpN0VCNGtMUGU4NHhHZz09>Meeting ID: 835 6184 7185  
Passcode: 047762

Adjourned 5:20 PM.