2024 VSWGA May 15th Board Meeting

Meeting: Video Board Meeting
Date/Time: May 15th, 2024 4:00 PM

Place: Video

Board and Committee Members Present via Video: Linda Jane Parson, Amy Butcher, Kate Mitchell, Dana Cassidy, Fran McCune, Ellen Grimes, Nathalie Lascelles, Sis Capeless, Sarah Lee, Jen Farrington (VSWGA Operations Manager), Pam Boyd (VSWGA Operations), Jen Steck (Majors)

Board and Committee Members Absent: Jayne Magnant, Lauri Brown (Juniors).

Call To Order 4:00 PM

April 17th, 2024, Meeting Minutes Approval

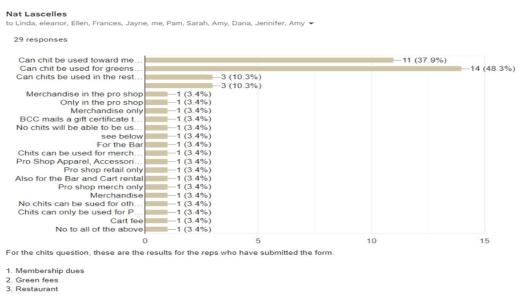
Amy Butcher moved to approve. Kate Mitchell seconded. Approved.

Jayne Magnant Treasurer's Report:

• Jayne is not on the call, but finances are on target.

Follow-up Suggestions from Kate Mitchell

- Mission Statement. Linda Jane Parson and Amy Butcher will work on. In works.
- Chits extended use. Nathalie reported survey results below. Per Nathalie: The three reps who could not fill
 in the form were merch/pro shop only for Williston and Woodstock, and Merch/pro shop, green fees,
 and carts for Mt. Anthony. Nathalie counted 27 courses and we have 32 responses. Sis and Nathalie
 will make a club list.



The answers below are write ins and I should have added the pro shop option because some did not understand that this was for "other than the pro shop merchandise".

Thanks

Nathalie

Ellen McAndrew - Pace of Play:

- Confirm that there is no reference to Turtles anymore. Ellen will remove turtle emoji next to her signature name at the bottom.
- A small delay can cause a big delay for the rest of the field.
- It is not about who is behind you but rather staying on pace with the group ahead.
- A membership email could be made after each State Day if it went well or if there were groups that were slow. No tee time specifics, just a general overview.
- 3rd or 4th warning might warrant back of tee time restrictions.
- Be sure the correct start time and end time is noted on cards. The end time is when the group finishes the 18th hole not when they hand in card and to please hand in the cards prior to going to car. Jen will add this to local rules.

Ellen Grimes – 5 Reasons to Join VSWGA – Review

- Amy B has on her to-do list to send out to membership.
- 1) Meet new people to play golf with and to build a player network.
- 2) Play different state day courses throughout the state of VT at reduced rate.
- 3) Play at majors to test ability.
- 4) Improve your play and learn more about the rules of this great lifetime sport.
- 5) Promote women's golf & support junior golf in VT.

Manchester & Fox Run Registration Recent Concerns:

- Manchester only allows Wed, max of 60-70 people.
 - o Jen Farrington got the club to allow 80. 15 people on waitlist.
- Fox Run only allows 108.
 - o Jen rearranged some tee times and all on the waitlist are on the tee sheet.
- Both filled up within 5 min.
- Once Golf Genius gets close to max allowed, a foursome can still register and confirm but there might not be a foursome time slot available but rather a single or twosome slots. This caused some confusion.
- Anyone that registers after the max allowed has registered, they are put on waitlist even though they see open spots on tee sheet. This is because the people who registered but could not play together had not yet chosen a tee time.
- Some groups did not get in to either Manchester or Fox Run while other groups got into one or both.
- Scheduling is at the mercy of the clubs. We don't really have a say in that.
- Possibly put them as lottery next year.

Green Mountain National

• Dana Cassidy suggested we do Green Mountain National as a lottery since it is the only 18-hole course that week. The Board agreed.

Ryder Brook/Stratton/Other Courses Multiple Days

- Ryder Brook is a 9-hole course. A few members of VSWGA are members there and wondered if they would host a state day. Sis had spoken to them last year and there was no interest.
- Stratton is still on the list of Linda Jane's to try and get a state day there.

• Linda Jane wondered about asking course for multiple state days.

Stowe – played back 9 twice – Update:

- How did the lottery go? Can only allow 48 people.
- How did it go. Kate Mitchell and Fran McCune were in the first group, and we finished first 9 in 2 hours. Only had to wait for a short time at the turn. Went well.

Jen Steck – Majors Update:

- Jen will be sending out a letter soon to announce that the majors are open.
- Ekwanok Country Club possibly for majors in future.
- Jen needs ideas for the prizes for top 10 prizes (embroidered or engraved)
- Amy Butcher asked about transition in the future for when Jen Steck retires from this role. Jen Farrington will work with Jen on the majors to learn.

Tri State Update-Amy Butcher

- 48 people registered. There are more than 10 applications in each of the three handicap divisions.
- MJ Shomo, team captain, has met with Pro and catering staff and is working out details.
- The Tri-States team will work with local VSWGA members to ensure that there will be spotters on key holes.
- A gift for Trish Wade is in the works for all her years as Captain of the team.

Open Time

- Sis Capeless, Green Mountain Challenge/ 50 Rewards.
 - o We have a few years until someone reaches 50 state day clubs.
 - O What type of gift should we give out?

Next Board Meeting: No meeting in June. Will schedule one for July.

Adjourned 5:24 PM.