

2025 VSWGGA January 8th Board Meeting

Meeting: Video Board Meeting
Date/Time: January 8th, 2025 4:00 PM
Place: Video

Board and Committee Members Present via Video: Amy Butcher, Fran McCune, Jayne Magnant, Kate Mitchell, Nathalie Lascelles, Sarah Lee, Jill Appel, Dixie Mercier, Linda Jane Parson (Past President), Jen Farrington (VSWGGA Operations Manager), Pam Boyd (Operations), Jen Steck (Majors).

Board and Committee Members Absent: Susan Rand (joined last few minutes).

Call To Order 4:02 PM

December 11th, 2024, Meeting Minutes Approval

Discussion to reword the section regarding Tri-State expenses. Jill Appel moved to approve as amended. Jayne Magnant seconded. **Approved.**

Update on Membership Stats-Jen Farrington and Pam Boyd:

- One new member has joined so far.
- 93 returning members have registered.
- No complaints regarding the increased membership cost.

Handbook-Policy Questions

- State Day payout for ties.
 - Jen and Nathalie did analysis of 10 events.
 - Total Points for sample of 10 events 1938
 - Total Tie Points for sample of 10 events 416
 - Percentage 21.47%
 - Dollar Savings for 10 events \$1,248.00
 - Dollar Savings for 50 events \$6,240.00
 - Golf Genius can settle the ties.
 - Possible ideas:
 - Stop breaking ties.
 - Match of Cards for 1st and 2nd and only ties for 3rd.
 - Lower the amount paid per point and keep ties as we have been doing.
 - The board liked the idea of establishing in the budget at the start of the year a fixed amount for the total State Day points payout. Dollars per point would then be determined at the end of the season when we know the total number of points won.
 - Also, it is suggested that the board should be up front with membership with budget needs/constraints and how they have decided to manage the competing needs.

Jayne Magnant made a motion that we document this as our new process for 2025 and going forward. Sarah Lee seconded. **Approved.**

- Jen asked if State Day cancellation will remain as a refund of \$5. Yes.
- Jen asked if the no show penalty portion should be removed – Yes. Jen will track no-shows (may be added to the liaison flighting tasks) to see if a pattern is emerging. If there is a problem with a player, then a conversation with that player can happen.
- Jen asked if flighting of the Amateur is a go. Yes. Tournament flighting is a way of getting more people interested in playing in the Amateur. Jen Steck and Jen Farrington will work on the exact language and structure of the flights.

Finance:

- Jen Steck stipend for 2024.
 - For 2023 we paid her \$4,000.
 - For 2024 we will pay her \$4,000 again.

Amy Butcher moved to approve. Sarah Lee seconded. **Approved**

- Since the work of State Days was primarily taken over by the administrator (Jen Farrington), the board voted not to offer a stipend to the outgoing State Day chair, as had been done in the years past.
- Tri-State updated request with shirt details-Fran McCune
 - NH has changed the dates of the Tri-States to June 11, 12, 13. Same venue (Mt Washington). Accommodations TBD.
 - New shirts are needed. Mary Jane found a nice shirt at \$40/per x 60 shirts including the embroidery. One shirt only for the player to keep. Total will be \$2,400. VSWGGA is buying qty 60 because we will need more shirts in the future and cheaper to buy in bulk.
 - Fran will find out if players will be able to buy a second shirt if they want to do that.

Fran McCune moved to approve. Sarah Lee seconded. **Approved.**

Committee Chair Updates

- Will move to next meeting.

Open time: N/A

Future not addressed at this meeting:

- Committee chair updates.

Next Board Meeting: February 12th, 2025, Zoom, 4pm
Adjourned 5:11 PM.