## 2025 VSWGA November 12th Board Meeting

**Meeting:** Video Board Meeting

Date/Time: November 12th, 2025 4:00 PM

Place: Video

**Board and Committee Members Present via Video:** Trish Wade, Barb Masterson, Jayne Magnant, Kate Mitchell, Nathalie Lascelles, Susan Rand, Jill Appel, Dixie Mercier, Becky Monty, Amy Butcher (Past President), Jen Farrington (Operations Manager),

**Board and Committee Members Absent: N/A** 

#### Call To Order 4:00 PM

## October 15th, 2025, Meeting Minutes Approval.

Barb Masterson moved to approve. Nathalie Lascelles seconded. Approved.

#### **Committee Charters**

- We would like the number of members on each committee to be odd to avoid ties.
- Each chair submitted/presented their charters.
- The charters submitted will be updated so all in the same format.
  - o Jill Appel will create the standard template.
  - We will update them for the Dec meeting and adopt.
- Each year the goals section would be revisited.
  - Volunteer Committee: Dixie Mercier
  - o Pace of Play: Kate Mitchell
  - State Day Committee: Nathalie Lascelles
  - o Tri-States: Mary Jane Shomo, Barb Masterson
  - o Rules Committee: Nathalie Lascelles
  - o Junior Committee: Susan Rand
  - o Communications Committee: Jill Appel
  - Majors Committee: Jen Farrington
  - o Finance Committee: Jayne Magnant

## VSWGA/VGA Update - Amy Butcher

- Continuing to come up with the list of what is most important to VSWGA.
- This will all take a while.
- We come to the table as equals to the VGA.

## Financials Update – Jayne Magnant/Jill Appel

- Reviewed the list of questions that the Finance Committee came up with for the Board regarding the budget.
  - We would like to be presented with a balanced budget

- o Member Dues increase or stay the same?
  - Stay the same or if an increase we can demonstrate the need.
  - This is because we just increased the dues for 2025.
- Club membership fee increase or stay the same? Currently \$150 for 18 holes, \$100 for 9 holes.
   This rate has not been increased in a very long time.
  - Need more info and it would be hard to compare to what the VGA charges because they
    operate on a different format.
  - We would rather focus on lowering expenses than try and increase the fees.
- o Marketing Expenses can we grow our membership by doing Ads?
- o Sponsors?
  - Barb Masterson will look into legalities
  - Possibly have sponsors for our handbook
- Start a charitable organization for additional funding?
  - Right now we are not set up for donors to receive a tax deduction.
  - Becky Monty is going to look into planned giving. Many long standing members would be interested in giving.
- o Contracts what are the service contracts that we need to have in place?
  - Membership contract discussion.
  - Can stipends be eliminated (currently one)?
- O Website updates what needs to be budgeted?
- O Junior Golf program we have a large restricted amount of money. Should we suspend more money going into this program for 2026?
  - The board agrees to suspend for 2026. Action Needed formal vote at December meeting.
- o Handbook continue to automatically print and mail this?
  - We would like to continue to give members the choice.

## Open time: N/A

#### Future items not addressed at this meeting

- Forward Tee Points: Do we need input from forward tee players for this?
- 9-Hole Tournament: Club Rep input?
- Ties broken by Golf Genius? The Finance Committee is reviewing
- Formal vote to suspend any further Junior Golf funds added for 2026.

# **Major Decisions for Secretary to track**

1. N/A

Next Video Board Meeting: Wednesday December 10th, 2025, 4:00pm

Dixie Mercier moved to adjourn. Nathalie Lascelles seconded. Approved.

Adjourned 5:33 PM.