# ST.LOUIS WOMEN'S DISTRICT GOLF ASSOCIATION Organized in 1920

### Fall Executive Board Meeting

November 5, 2020 @ Bogey Hills CC

#### I. Meeting called to order @ 10:00AM

#### **II. Board Members Present:**

Bev Frein, BH; Barb Witbrodt, STA; Carol Bloss, LG; Margaret Farrell, WB; Ronnie Burg, PW; Julie Villarini, WB; Sally Gordon, STL; Vickie Ressler, MB; Sherrie Wehner, GB; and Lisa Schad, FH.

#### III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes from the Spring Executive Board Meeting of March 5, 2020 were distributed electronically to each member for review. Bev asked for comments, changes or questions. Question concerning the fund for trophies was discussed and clarified. Sherrie Wehner motioned to accept the minutes as written and Margaret Farrell seconded the motion. Minutes of the March 5, 2020 Spring Executive Board Meeting are hereby approved as submitted.

#### IV. OLD BUSINESS

- a) Job Descriptions: The job descriptions are being updated and the goal is to get those out to everyone after the process is complete. Updates of most current descriptions are completed.
- b) Pace of Play: Penalties and warnings were made clearer at the beginning of the season, and Pace of Play seems to have improved. The policy appears to be in good shape.
- c) Thank You Notes: These are sent to Club Pros and Hosting Clubs. District stationery and cards are available for such mailings and are available as needed.
- d) Yearbooks: We are only having the quantity printed, as requested by CD's.

e) Membership: 17.4 Handicap index will remain the defining cap for admission of new players to District.

#### V. REPORTS

- a) Presidents Report: Reported by Bev Frein, BH
  - 2020 The Season of Covid-19, much gratitude to the dedication and hard work of Vickie Ressler, Barb Witbrodt, and Sherrie Wehner for making the events we were able to have, happen!
  - The upcoming schedule will be emailed to all District members and the Club Pros through Golf Genius.
  - WingHaven will be welcomed on the above mentioned email broadcast.
  - Event Season 2021: While it is still uncertain as to whether we will have a "normal" season, we are cautiously optimistic. We will, however, work through any issues to be able to accommodate as many events as allows.
  - Our New-Member course, WingHaven will host the SES Event in September.

The Presidents Report is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

- b) Vice President Report: Reported by Barb Witbrodt, STA
  - Dues: Letters will be sent to each of the 20 Member Clubs requesting \$75 dues be billed to each STLWDGA member at their respective club. Checks from clubs will be mailed to Janine Fabick by January 31,2021.
  - Yearbooks: Request has been made to CD's for updates of Club and Member information and Rosters by November 15,2020. Information for the yearbook is continually updated throughout the year.
  - New Member Coordinators: They gather the information about new members to present at the Spring Meeting.
  - Merit System: This will be explained at the meeting with New Member Coordinators. We will also have a meeting with WingHaven on November 11,2020; to distribute New Member Applications and explain the Merit System.

- Junior Invitational: This tournament was cancelled last year due to low participation. It was not held this year, due to Covid-19, but the participation has been waning in the past few years as other opportunities for Juniors have expanded. Barb Witbrodt motioned to discontinue the Junior Tournament for now, with the possibility of reinstituting it in the future. Sherrie Wehner seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- c) Tournament Chair Report: reported by Sherrie Wehner, GB
  - Several Charts and graphs were presented the gave a summary of restrictions, modifications, and adjustments made to accommodate play in 2020. This also illustrated how participation rates stayed strong throughout the season despite obstacles.
  - The Tournament Chair's report is attached hereto, and made a part of these minutes.
- d) Assistant Tournament Chair: Sallie Gordon, STL, No Report.
- e) Team Chair Report by Margaret Farrell, WB.
  - 20 versus 21 Teams: We were informed by Julie Frank of WW, that they would be unable to field a team for the 2021 season due to lack of players. WingHaven has been placed in Westwood's spot for the 2021 team schedule. If Westwood would rejoin Team in the future, an additional Team play date would be added to accommodate 21 teams.
  - Carol Bloss and Margaret Farrell have tentatively set up the 2021 Team Sections, Divisions, and Play Date matches.
  - Net and Gross spreadsheets have been set up for tabulating Team points.
  - May need to consider Tee Times versus Shotgun starts if Covid-19 issues persist in 2021.
  - Team Chair report is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.
- f) Assistant Team Chair, Carol Bloss, LG: No Report
- g) Treasurer, Janine Fabick, SS; Not Present; Printed report distributed to Committee Members.

- One statement in the narrative of the report was clarified as follows: "We have 344 total members as of October 31,2020, of which 324 are dues-paying members." Past Presidents and 50 year honorees are the non-paying portion of the membership.
- The Treasurer's Report along with Spreadsheets are attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.
- h) Communication Chair: Ronnie Burg, PW, No Report
- i) Rules Chair Report: reported by Julie Villarini
  - New Pace of Play Policy seems to be working. We will continue the same for 2021.
  - Not aware of any significant Rules Changes for 2021, but will be attending a rules workshop in early Spring.
  - The Rules Chair Report is attached hereto and made a port of these minutes.
- j) Recording Secretary, Lisa Schad, FH, No Report
- k) Honorary Past President/Parliamentarian, Vickie Ressler, MB, reported as follows:
  - 2021 Schedule is near completion, and awaiting final confirmation for 2 Clubs.
  - The Past Presidents Report is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

#### VI. NEW BUSINESS

- a) 2021 Schedule: Draft Schedule was presented
- b) 50-Year Honoree: In 2021 Julie Spitzfaden, OW will be the 50<sup>th</sup> year District Honoree; however Old Warson will not be hosting any events in 2021. Julie would like to be honored at her Home Club. In order to honor this request, she will be officially honored in 2022, but highlighted in the 2021 Yearbook and her dues will be suspended as of 2021.
- c) New LOGO: Now that STLWDGA is moving into its second century of existence, a new LOGO has been rendered. Sherrie Wehner revealed the

- new logo she created. It will appear on letterhead, stationery, and our apparel with a consistent font as well. Well done, Sherrie!
- d) A motion to approve the new LOGO was made by Barb Witbrodt. Sally Gordon seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

#### e) Logo Shirts:

- STLWDGA pays for 2 shirts per board member to be embroidered. (Shirts are provided by the member) Any further items to be embroidered are at member's expense.
- Logo should be placed on left upper chest area of the garment.

#### f) Tee Markers:

- Current tee markers are in poor condition and it has been suggested that we purchase new set(s) of tee markers to replace our current set.
- Renderings and different types of tee markers were presented. There
  was much discussion on type of material, size, color, and weight of
  individual markers. Sherrie will talk to the manufacturer about size,
  color and weights and will confirm cost.
- A motion was made by Barb Witbrodt for the purchase of bronze Tee Markers, with the final design to be determined through email vote of the Executive Committee. The motion was seconded by Margaret Farrell. The motion was approved.
- g) WingHaven Country Club: will meet with the Board and Head Pro Sally Collins the week of 11/9/2020 to get their eligible players registered.
- Condition of Competition: Notice to Player: Julie Villarini addressed the
  possibility of updating and possibly shortening up the language. The Rules
  Officials were not in agreement of changing the language or shortening.
  Discussion was tabled.
- i) SES Charities: The slate of Charities (along with their mission) was emailed to members prior to the meeting to review. A Vote was taken and the charity "All Among Us" was chosen as our 2021 recipient.
  - It was mentioned that we would announce at all tournaments, that we are always looking for charities for this list.

## VII. SPRING EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING will be held on March 31, 2021 at 10:00 AM at Bogey Hills Country Club.

Barb Witbrodt, STL made a motion to adjourn. Sallie Gordon seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:13PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Schad, STLWDGA Recording Secretary