

THE VILLAGES WOMEN'S NINE-HOLE GOLF CLUB
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 3, 2020 • ZOOM Meeting

Attendees – Wendy Ledamun, Kay Gray, Marcia Hembree, Joannie Needham, Joyce Mukuno, Christine Zinn, Mary Wagle, Mary Stowers, Anka Hoek, Jeannie Omel

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Captain Wendy Ledamun.

Captain's Welcome – Wendy welcomed everyone to the Zoom meeting. She reported that the Nominating Committee has selected Marcia Hembree to finish the year as Secretary to replace Jeannie Omel who resigned due to a conflict with Club Board Committee meetings. The Nominating Committee named Judy Falarski as the candidate for Secretary in 2021.

Approval of March Meeting Minutes – A motion was made by Kay Gray to approve the July 2020 Meeting Minutes; the motion was seconded by Christine Zinn. The minutes were unanimously approved.

MONTHLY REPORTS

Treasurer's Report: In Laura Swenson's absence, Mary Wagle gave a brief Treasurer's Report and noted that the Club had a current balance of \$6,602.51.

Tuesday Play: Wendy reviewed the information regarding the recent change in Tuesday tee times. Effective Tuesday, July 28, 19 tee times between 7:30 am and 10:30 am are available for the Swingers and Pinseekers on Tuesday, exclusively. Reservations can be made two weeks in advance; any open times still available after one-week will be opened for anyone. Wendy noted that Chelsea adds a new play day each evening at 9:00 pm for booking 2-weeks out. The tee times fill up fast.

Membership: Joanie reported that Tamsen Burke has completed qualification and is now an official member of the Swingers. Wendy encouraged members to reach out to her and other new members.

Away Games: Anka Hoek reported that there was no new information on away games. An inquiry was received from the Valley Hi 9ers to gauge participation/interest in their upcoming October 1 Invitational. No Swingers expressed interest in attending due to COVID-19 concerns. Other Peninsula area clubs responded that they will not be attending this event.

Socials: Wendy reported that the Fall Social scheduled for September 10 is unlikely to happen due to COVID-19 restrictions on large gatherings and no inside dining.

Sunshine: Marcy sent a Get Well card to Helen Paris who injured herself in a fall. Wendy sent a card on behalf of the Swingers to Marcy's husband, Rob, wishing him a speedy recovery after recent surgery.

Corena Green: Mary Stowers reported that the Annual WNHGA Junior Girls Tournament was being played today at Oakdale GCC. We are sponsoring four girls; one girl dropped out due to her inability to practice and get ready for the tournament. The tournament staff did not reach out for any help this year.

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VGC: Mary Wagle reviewed a month-end and fiscal year-end report from the VGC Analysis Committee. Following the course closure earlier this year, play was up 8% over May of 2019, June rounds were up 28% over June 2019 but Covid-19 continues to affect green fees negatively and we are at 85% at year-end.

- Green fees for June were \$36,000 unfavorable to budget while Year to Date (YTD) green fees were \$192,000 unfavorable to budget.
- Golf revenue for June was \$64,000 unfavorable to budget and YTD revenue was \$256,000 unfavorable to budget.
- Pro Shop sales are under budget by 14.4%
- Driving range revenue is under budget by 3.3%
- Golf cart rentals for the year are under budget as expected.
- Total golf expenses were \$21,000 unfavorable to budget for June. However, with the golf management team cutting expenses where possible, expenses were \$58,000 favorable to the budget at year-end.
- Overall golf operations were \$85,000 over budget with a year-end deficit of \$197,000.

Also, Scott presented a proposal to the Club Board of Directors (CBOD) on July 28 to return 15 leased golf cars to the leasing company in September with a tentative plan to lease 30 golf cars when play resumes. The CBOD approved the proposal to suspend the lease and agreed to review a new lease at a later date.

OLD BUSINESS

2021 Master Calendar Planning: Wendy reported that there have been no 2021 Master Calendar requests. With all the uncertainty, no immediate plans are being made to secure space for meetings and events at this time.

2021 Nominating Committee: Gisele Barber, Mary Wagle, and Pam Short agreed to form a Nominating Committee to identify a candidate for Secretary to replace Jeannie Omel who has resigned. Marcia Hembree has agreed to serve for the remainder of 2020; and they have nominated Judy Falarski for the secretary position for 2021.

Wendy pointed out that the Bylaws allow current officers to continue in place for 2021 if the BOD approves; a vote by the membership is not required. Also, the Captain has the authority to appoint a replacement for the remainder of Jeannie's term.

Zoom Subscription: Wendy reported that she purchased a month-to-month Zoom license for \$14.99/month with unlimited minutes and up to 100 participants allowed. The subscription can be canceled at any time. Wendy will submit receipts to the Treasurer quarterly for reimbursement.

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NEW BUSINESS

Bylaws and Standing Rules Review: Wendy reported that a Bylaws Review Committee was formed; Members of the Committee are Christine Zinn, Sheryl Driskell, Kay Gray, and Wendy Ledamun. One specific focus is to change membership qualification from the #3 tees to the #2 tees since most members are currently playing the #2 tees. Recommended changes will be sent to the BOD separately for review. If approved by the board, a vote by membership will be called in the Fall. Wendy hopes to have this information sent out in a couple of weeks.

2021 Budget Discussion: Wendy presented a list of topics for discussion:

- Membership Dues – Discussion centered around whether we should raise dues to \$90 or reduce due to lack of 2020 sweeps and events. No decision was made.
- WNHGA – The board discussed the pros and cons of the WNHGA membership and whether it is still of value to the Club. Factors that come into play are expenses related to participation in Team Play, and WNHGA's Open Day. Wendy agreed to create a Pros/Cons Handout on the issues before a vote by the board.
- Annual Invitational – Wendy noted that the Invitational Committee maintains a separate bank account and retains profits from year to year rather than depositing proceeds from the Invitational into the Clubs Operating Account. The board discussed the rationale and there were mixed opinions of whether all funds should be maintained by the Club and whether there was a need for a separate bank account. The issue was tabled until the next BOD meeting to enable the Invitational Chair to participate in the discussion.
- Staff Meal Expenditure at Twilight Tournaments – The rationale for covering the expense for Pro Shop staff meals at Twilight Tournaments was explored. It was pointed out that this event is open to the entire community and the question was raised about the appropriateness of this expense. No decision was made. The issue was tabled until the next BOD meeting to enable the Twilight Directors to join the discussion.

On-going Membership Eligibility Requirement: Not discussed due to time constraints. Requirements will be included in the recommended changes to the Bylaws and Standing Rules from the Review Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.

The next board meeting will be a Zoom Meeting on Monday, September 14 at 9 a.m.

Minutes recorded by Jeannie Omel, Secretary

