

WWGA Board Meeting Minutes

December 7, 2023

1. The meeting was held via Zoom and started at 3:40 pm. Sheryl Dolin, Barbara Hageman, Wendy Smith, Renee Gibb, Ron Springer, and Sally Johnston were in attendance.
2. Minutes from the October 19th meeting were approved via email and posted to the website.
3. Member-Guest Tournament:
 - a) The board had a lengthy discussion about changing the Member-Guest Tournament to an Invitational.
 - b) The Member-Guest Tournament has become very expensive. Members find it difficult to find a guest when the price keeps going up. Food has become especially expensive and the Member-Guest usually had a cocktail party on Friday followed by a luncheon after the tournament.
 - c) An Invitational allows for more players to participate. Having the Invitational on a weekday would be cheaper. There would need to be a 60-person minimum to have a weekday tournament. Players will need to have a handicap (not necessarily from GHIN).
 - d) The board decided to make the change and have the Invitational on Friday June 28th with a 10:00 am shotgun start.
 - e) Sheryl and Ron will check other club's schedules to make sure they will not have their own events on this day.
 - f) We will need to make a fancy flyer to send out to other clubs.
 - g) Sheryl will find people to serve on the committee for this tournament.
4. Flag Day Tournament:
 - a) The Flag Day Tournament will move from its original date of June 1st to June 15th. June 15th was the original date for the Member-Guest Tournament. Flag Day is June 14th, so this puts the tournament closer to the actual day.
5. Tournament Fees:
 - a) Following discussion, the board decided to raise the tournament entry fee instead of raising the dues again. The fee will go from \$10 to \$15. The WWGA will keep 25% of the fees collected (up from 20%). Increased revenues allow more flexibility for luncheons and member gifts.
 - b) A question was raised about having tournament fees auto charged to a member's account, just like the cart fees are. Sally will check with the accounting department head. Ron would be able to charge the member accounts if this is allowed.
6. WWGA Policies:
 - a) Sheryl and Barbara made a first cut at updating the WWGA Policies document. Laura made some comments online. Further discussion was tabled for now. Sheryl and Laura will get together to make further updates.
7. WWGA Bylaws:
 - a) The WWGA Bylaws need to be updated. This has been tabled for the holidays and will be finished early next year.
 - b) Sally will need to review changes prior to them being finalized.
8. WWGA Registration and Dues Form:

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- a) Barbara submitted a change to the wording for the Tuesday League Play section of the form. She will make further changes based on comments received during the meeting. This should clarify what the \$10 (optional) fee is for on the form.
- b) Sheryl plans to send out the form with a letter to all members in early/mid-January.
- c) Sally will then send out the information to all Class A members.

9. Forward tees on MV:

- a) 2024 USGA rules have been introduced for forward tees. 9 holes can be 1500 yards and 18 holes can be as short as 3000 yards. Ron will work with WVGA and hold meetings, possibly in mid-March, to present this information to the WWGA members.

10. The next Board meeting will be Wednesday, January 10th at 3:30 pm.

11. Meeting adjourned at 5:04 pm.