

# SCWGA UMBRELLA BOARD MINUTES

January 17, 2024

## Talisman Meeting Room

Meeting called to order at 9:00am by **Umbrella President Arlene Balazic**

Arlene welcomed everyone and introductions were done. Arlene also passed out copies of the SCWGA Umbrella Purpose and Operation.

### Secretary Report: Lisa Braegelmann

**Lisa asked for a motion to accept the December 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes. Motion to accept made by Jody Ault, second by Linda Sears; motion passes.**

### Treasurer Report: Chris Barnes

Chris presented the 2024 SCWGA Budget. The beginning balance is \$517.97. Typically, anything over the \$500 should be reimbursed equally to the 5 Clubs. This would mean cutting a check for \$3.60 to each Club. Chris suggested leaving those funds in the account until year end and distribute at that time.

**Motion was made by Bev Piette and second by Renee Hawkins to leave the extra \$17.97 in the SCWGA bank account until year end (2024). Motion passed.**

Chris also noted that in 2022 North reimbursed Umbrella \$17.00 for the Team Play plaque engraving. After some discussion everyone agreed that the Team Play engraving should be an Umbrella expense.

Chris reimbursed North the \$17.00.

### 2024 SCWGA Umbrella Budget

#### INCOME

Income from Clubs:		
Lakes West	\$100	
North	\$100	
Riverview	\$100	
South	\$100	
Willowcreek	\$100	<u>\$500</u>
Income Tournaments		
Sun City Open	\$100	
March Better Ball	\$100	
March Team Fun Day	\$100	
December Better Ball	\$100	<u>\$400</u>
Total Income		<u>\$900</u>

#### EXPENSES

	Champion of Champions Prize Funds	\$400	
	Champion of Champions Luncheon	\$350	
1	Champion of Champion Engraving	\$100	
2	Team Play Engraving	\$ 25	
3	Hole in One	\$ 25	
	Total Expenses		<u>\$800</u>
	Income		<u>\$100</u>

## **VP/Tournament Chair Report: Marcia Grenier**

Marcia asked Linda Sears from Riverview when the flyer for the March Better Ball was going out. It has been discussed in prior meetings that the flyer is sent to the Presidents and the club's Communications people the same day and wanted to make sure this was going to happen as the tournament fills up fast and this gives everyone the same opportunity to register. Linda thought the flyers would be out this week but will double check with her tournament chair. Marcia offered her help to any club that is responsible for any tournament for 2024.

Question was asked about doing a shot gun start vs straight tee times for the Better Ball tournament. Marcia explained that by doing tee times, we allow for more people to play in the tournament and that it is a lot easier to run.

## **President Elect: Cindy Aguilar**

Meeting dates and rooms have been reserved for 2025.

## **Team Play Coordinator: Mary Engert**

Mary talked about the format for Team Play Fun Day; if this is an Umbrella decision or the Club responsible for Team Play Fun Day. Discussion was about having all the A, B and C players play within their flights for this event instead of mixing A, B and C together.

**Renee Hawkins made a motion to have a set format where A, B and C play within their flight for this tournament. No second; motion failed.**

**Linda Sears made a motion to have the course that is responsible for the Team Play Fun Day set the format for the tournament. Jan Jemsek second the motion. Motion passed three to two with Willowcreek opposing and North abstaining.**

Following the vote, further discussion occurred to have the Presidents of each Club talk to their leagues about the format and bring the information back to the February meeting for discussion again.

Mary talked about some issues that arose from previous Team Play events and presented some additional rules to be added to the Team Play Rules and Regulations. And, talked about the proper way to address roster issues 5 days prior to the Team Play day and to the day of play as listed below. Mary noted that this would not change anything in the current rules; instead asked to have these additional rules of clarification added to the current rules. **Bev Piette made a motion to incorporate these additional rules clarifications #18-20 to the Team Play Rules and Regulations; second by Jody Ault, motion passes.**

18. If the "C" Team is unable to fill the roster for Team Play 5 days prior to the play date; the captain must move all current players up to fill the top seven positions which would then leave the last position blank. There should never be an unfilled position in any flight at the top of the roster. Remember A team is allowed to take from B and B team is allowed to take from C so this would only apply to C.

19. If a player cancels or does not show up on the day of Team Play; do not remove the players name and information unless you have a replacement. The replacement should be entered in the roster according to handicap index which may result in several changes to your roster lineup and if there is enough time, rerun the scorecards and summary sheets. No replacements are allowed once Team Play begins.

20. If Team Play has already started and a player who is on the roster shows up late for their time; that player is still allowed to play. However, that players score will only count for the remaining holes the player has left to play.

Mary also asked Chris Linam about Team Play certs being paid out in a timely manner and when they are posted if it could be posted as Team Play. As of now, the posting comes through as Accounting I and no-one knows what event they are receiving funds from. Such as, Team Play, Better Ball, Play of day, etc. It would also be nice if Accounting Staff could respond to Mary's email stating that they have received it. Chris will check into this and get back to Mary.

**Director of Golf: Brian Duthu**

Brian was unable to attend and his report was presented by Chris Linam  
Report attached at the end of the minutes.

**Pro Shops: Chris Linam**

Report attached at the end of the minutes.

**Presidents' Reports:**

**Lakes West: Beverly Piette**

Not much to report so far in 2024, but we're preparing for our February Scramble.

We had submitted a budget proposal to RCSC for increased seating in our patio area. It appears that Lakes West/East will not be having a major remodel in the near future. With so many leagues at our courses, 9-hole, 18 hole: both East & West, not to mention Men's Day, we were sorely lacking in sufficient seating. Based on our proposal, we now have additional tables (with umbrellas), and the cart parking has been pushed out from the patio area. They are being utilized now.

The Lakes project is finally complete and they have removed the extra pipes, etc. from the course, thus eliminating special drop areas.

**North: Jody Ault**

The North ladies have 87 members as of today. The course is going to take time but when the Tiff Tough seed takes hold, it will be beautiful. It just takes time and patience. We are having our Presidents Cup on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> with a meal and meeting to follow.

**Riverview: Linda Sears**

Riverview 72 members  
Our first members meeting is Jan 23.  
We will be holding a Guys and Gals tournament 2/13/24.  
The course is in good shape.

**South: Jann Jemsek (VP) for Sharon Graham**

Our new president, Sharon Graham, broke her hip and is currently in rehab.  
We have 82 members and 11 new members. We have a new member breakfast schedule for Monday, January 22nd.  
We have 50 members to date participating in Central District.

### **Willowcreek: Renee Hawkins**

We just finished our Memorial / Medallion tournament, it was very successful.  
We currently have 110 members and 6 social members.

We had an incident that occurred at Willowcreek's December Better Ball Tournament that I would like to address at Umbrella. During the tournament, a player approached the Tournament Co-Chair and began yelling, cursing, and causing quite an embarrassing scene. She was upset about the time of day she teed off and the time it took to finish her round. Neither of which justified this outburst and unreasonable behavior. Can SCWGA Umbrella establish a rule that will impose a penalty or other repercussion for this type of behavior. Renee asked Chris if there is anything under RCSC policies? Do we fall under those policies? This issue was addressed under New Business.

### **Old Business:**

Discussion was held on whether to pay for a person to become a USGA Certified Rules for SCWGA tournaments or use USGA Rules phone app to access a USGA Certified Rules person by phone. After some discussion it was agreed upon to use the USGA Rules phone app to access a USGA Certified Rules person when needed for SCWGA tournaments.

### **New Business:**

Discussion was held on how Umbrella could address inappropriate behavior from ladies during a SCWGA tournament. Chris Linam helped us through the process and recommended that a letter be sent from the Umbrella President to that person and explained that RCSC can help Umbrella compose the letter. The other action that should be taken is an Incident Report by the person(s) in which the inappropriate behavior was against. This form is available at all Golf Courses. Once submitted RCSC will do their own investigation into the incident but will not inform us of the action taken by RCSC. Some of the reprimands could be; a warning letter, suspension of golf privileges, fines, etc.

After further discussion it was agreed upon by the Presidents of each course to have the Umbrella President work with RCSC staff to compose a letter and send it to the person who conducted the inappropriate behavior from the December 2nd, 2023 Better Ball Tournament.

Jody Ault inquired on the possibility to change the index for Team Play Teams as her Captains are having a hard time filling their "C" player's roster. After some discussion, Bev Piette suggested that all the Presidents go back to their clubs to find out how hard it is for each Captain to fill their rosters for Team Play and come back with this information for the February meeting.

**Next meeting will be at 9:00 AM, February 17, 2024 at Talisman Hall.**

**A motion to adjourn was made by Bev Piette and second by Jann Jemsek; meeting was adjourned at 10:53.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Braegelmann  
2024 Umbrella Secretary