

SCWGA UMBRELLA BOARD MINUTES

March 17, 2021

Talisman Meeting Room 9AM

Attendees: Ruth Melena, Lynda Blubaum, Dottie Honsberger, Carolyn Jennings, Jan Lunceford, Brian Duthu, Karen Smolinski, Cindy Aguilar Dailey, Pam Portillo, Judy Lawrence, Connie Brueshaber, Rosie Oblinger

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 by President Ruth Melena

Secretary Report: Carolyn Jennings

Minutes from the February 17th meeting were distributed prior to the meeting and approved with the correction of the spelling of Pam Portillo's name on page 4.

Connie Brueshaber moved that the minutes be approved as corrected and Pam Portillo seconded.

Treasurer Report: Dottie Honsberger

There is 1100 in the account as of now. A check for 100.00 was received from the better ball 50/50.

President Elect: Karen Smolinski

The board for 2022 is almost in place. Still need a tournament chair.

Team Play: Jan Lunceford

Teams standings are all close so winner will be determined at the last team play event on March 18th.

Lakes West: Karen Smolinski

Just finished Club Championship, played from Combo tees. Great feedback from most members. Some pace of play issues to be addressed. Diane Hull is club champion.

Combo tees have been loaded into GHIN for Lakes West.

Preparing for Spring Scramble in March and Guy & Dolls in April

North: Connie Brueshaber

North is great. Our Club champion is Jody Ault.

Riverview: Pam Portillo

Riverview has a lot of divots right now. There needs to be sand in the rental carts. Jackie Madison is the Club Champion for Riverview.

Riverview is working with the AGA on combo tees rating.

South – Cindy Aguilar Dailey

South held its Second Annual New Member Welcome Breakfast on March 1. Due to COVID 19 guidelines, we limited participants to 10 which included four officers/ Board Members. New members had breakfast at the club house and learned about the various committees that form South's Board. After a short Q&A session, everyone trekked to the putting green and participated in a putting contest. Fun was had by all!

South began its Club Championship on March 2nd and will conclude on March 16. The Medallion tournament runs concurrently with the Club Championship. All flights have had a robust number of participants. The races are close.

South will culminate the season with a food and fund drive in March & April.

Some golfers feel that the Umbrella rule is too generous, and that the rule should be more like what Terry Klatt used for our March Better Ball.

Some people are moving it a club length, and some people are moving it only if it is in a disturbed area because they "don't feel right" moving it a club length.

More clarification is needed.

Willow Creek: Judy Lawrence

Our Club Championship/Eclectic Tournament was wrapped up yesterday. We had 86 participants during the tournament that was played over three consecutive Tuesdays. Nancy Gray is our 2021 Willowcreek Club Champion, winning an on-course playoff with Marcia Grenier.

There continues to be competition for mid-morning tee times on our weekly signup sheets. The sheet is available each Tuesday morning when the pro shop and there has been a line there at 6:30 a.m. for the last several Tuesdays. A person may sign up no more than one foursome.

Willowcreek was the responsible club for running the Better Ball Tournament at South on March 6. There were 168 participants; everyone who wanted to play were able. 50/50 ticket sales totalled \$800, with payouts of \$50 to each of 8 players. Naomi McColley had a hole in one on hole # 17..

Director of Golf – Brian Duthu

February weather proved favorable for strong rounds and revenue. For the month revenue was up 14.9% to budget and 9.3% to prior year. All major revenue categories exceeded budget and prior year. Rounds played for the month exceeded prior year by 3,915 rounds.

The free clinics scheduled for March have been canceled. For those seeking lessons both private lessons and Get Ready Golf classes are still available. Private lessons are arranged directly with the teaching professionals, their contact information is available in pro shops and the RCSC website. Get Ready Golf Classes have been reduced from 8 students to 6 students to allow for better distancing.

As a reminder we are still operating with reduced capacity, due to Covid restrictions. Snack Shop and patio capacity is limited to the number of chairs that are provided. Please do not stand around tables or other areas of the patio.

The bunker refurbishment project at Lakes West that was postponed last year, has been rescheduled for later this year. As part of the bidding process, contractors were given parameters to schedule a start and end date. Once a contractor is selected and the time frame known, it will be announced. This project may impact previously scheduled dates for aerification and verticutting. We will be closing 9 holes at a time while the renovation is in process, which may allow us to incorporate the normal yearly agronomic practices into these closures. The process for the Lakes West bunkers will be to remove existing sand, reestablish original bunker edges, install new bunker liner and add new bunker sand.

Old Business:

Ruth Melena confirmed that there will be no Club Board meetings held at Talisman as the board does not report to the advisory. The club greens committee does. Typically the club president is on the green's committee and goes to advisory.

Tournament Report: Lynda Blubaum

Reports were handed out explaining tournament rules. These will go into each club's tournament books.

Question has come up out of the Sun City Open related to increasing of the fees of tournaments. This is not an umbrella function. The club that is running the tournament sets the fee for the tournament. The only tournament expense paid by the umbrella is the amount paid for hole in ones.

Several things need to be clarified for future tournaments. Currently there is no clarification on this process. Lynda handed out a methodology to the club presidents who will take it back to the individual clubs to look at.

There is no clear method in the tournament manual as to how to distribute flyers. This needs to be determined and documented for future use.

New Business –

There was a lot of discussion around the discrimination of players both during tournaments and team play. The presidents will be taking this back to the home courses with a reminder that this is unacceptable.

Bunker rule needs to be clarified. This was tabled for a later date.

Play at courses during overseeding was discussed related to POD payout. All players do pay the sweep as it is based on the preferred time that is allocated on Tuesdays to the women. Since this is paid by players whether at their own course or another course, they should be included in POD. Presidents will take back to their course and determine what the POD practice is.

Next meeting is April 21, 9:00 am, Talisman Hall.

Motion to adjourn made by Cindy Aguilar and seconded by Judy Lawrence.