

**WILLOWCREEK WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
November 12, 2019**

Call to Order President, Marion Evans, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. at Marinette Recreation Center.

Approval of Minutes Marion asked if there were any corrections or changes to the minutes of the Membership Meeting held March 22, 2019. No corrections were offered. The minutes were approved as presented and posted.

Treasurer's Report and Membership Report Rhonda reported a balance of \$5,989.60 minus forward liabilities of \$1059.81. Budgeted funds are \$1,079 leaving a balance of unbudgeted funds at \$3050.80.

We have 120 members, 5 associate members, and 9 social members.

We have submitted the necessary paperwork to the IRS to ensure the league reinstatement. In order to avoid missing the deadline in future years, instructions will be given to incoming presidents to follow up each year in getting the necessary paperwork submitted to avoid any further lapses.

President's Report Marion Evans

Welcome – Marion welcomed all the golfers, especially our new members. She encouraged our new members to get involved in the league activities. It will be a busy six weeks and we look forward to a great year in 2020.

SCWGA - Marion gave a short synopsis of the Umbrella meeting which took place in April. The Octogenarian Tournament, which SCWGA helps host, was a success and the umbrella group will assist again in 2020. Brian Duthu reported that the night golf tournament went well and Sandy Holladay made a hole in one. The Champion of Champions for 2019 is Joan Hinckey from North with our own Nancy Gray and Marcia Grenier as runners up. Other discussion centered around the opening of the South Clubhouse.

Willowcreek is enlisting everyone's participation in the Christmas Charity event to be explained later by Debbie Buffington. Reminder: The Christmas luncheon will be at Palmbrook at 11:30 on December 6 with dinner and meeting. Cost is \$22 and the collection envelopes are in the pro shop if ladies don't get a chance to pay Barb Halpin today.

Committee & Representative Reports

New Members – Angy Felcyn

Mixers – Arlene Balazic_The mixers are going well. They include golfers from North, Riverview, and Willowcreek. The events are not as much work because the tasks are split among the three courses which makes it easier. We encourage participation in the mixers as they are a lot of fun.

A new handicap system from the AGA will be effective in January, 2020. Arlene and Polly will attend a seminar on 11/25.

AGA - Polly Fischette The changes to the handicaps are not significant. The lower handicaps may be the most affected. January 1-8 the GHIN system will be shut down. Players can post after that. There will be an e-newsletter that will include a link to see the handicaps. If there is more than one golfer in a household, separate e-mail accounts will be required.

Motion for Treasurer Extension - Polly Fischette - Board officers usually serve a two-year term, however this year it has been suggested that Rhonda Dunckel continue for a third year as Treasurer to wrap up our situation with the IRS involving the league reinstatement. Polly asked for a motion to allow this exception. A motion was made and seconded and the motion was passed by the membership.

Nominations for 2020 - Polly Fischette - President, Arlene Balazic, First Vice President, Judy Lawrence, Second Vice President, Lisa Braegelman, Secretary, Jean Emerson, and Treasurer, Rhonda Dunckel. Motion was made by Barb Halpin to adopt these nominations, Angy Felcyn seconded, and the motion was passed by the membership.

Hole-in-One – Polly Fischette \$2 to join and we currently have \$230 in the fund.

Greens Committee – Marcia Grenier The Beat the Pro Charity Event will be held December 12. Women will play from the gold tees and men will play from the red tees if they are over 70. Pizza, wings, and raffles will follow the event.

Three golf clinics are being held at Lakes West on Saturday mornings.

Presidents Cup – Marcia Grenier The President's Cup tournament will be the first three weeks of December and each team/player must play all three weeks. Partners must not have more than a 10-point spread between their handicaps. Various games will be played throughout the three-week tournament. We encourage playing from the gold tees. Handicaps will be adjusted accordingly. Desert play – you can play from the desert area without penalty. However, an unplayable lie will be a one-stroke penalty and two-club lengths from where the ball was positioned.

Reminder: Cart path only through Thanksgiving. Cart path only does not allow carts with handicap flags to park at the back of the green. They must stay on the cart path along with the other carts.

Team Play – Lisa Braegelman The first match will be 11/23 with Willowcreek at Lakes West. It will be a 7:30 shotgun because of a tournament previously scheduled there. The second team event will be 11/30 with Lakes West at Willowcreek. The change was made because of the delay in Willowcreek opening. C Group goes out last six out of ten times. The first three teams will be timed to see where slow play happens. The team captains take the first five players with the lowest handicaps and will then select three players to round out the team. We encourage everyone to participate. The captains are as follows:

A/C – Lisa Braegelman and Jean Melaragno
B – Nancy Masters and Kathy Cea

Beautification – Karen Sund The nursery and Willowcreek maintenance crew are all in place in anticipation of getting the work done.

Ringers/Birdies – Gloria Stump The cutoff is now. Final numbers will be posted and presented at the Christmas luncheon.

Willowcreek Charity – Debbie Buffington

In the past, Willowcreek has donated to the Food Bank. This year we are suggesting that monetary donations be made to purchase gift cards from local grocery stores for seniors who are in need of assistance. A list of preselected/qualified seniors will be obtained from the Sun City Foundation. Please consider giving money to this charity. Contributions can be made at the Christmas luncheon on December 6. Proceeds from the Beat the Pro Golf tournament and the RCSC Christmas Duck Bucks will also be going to this charity.

Old Business – Kathy Cea The membership was asked if they liked the “closest to the pin” game that was started in the summertime, and did they want it to continue. There were positive responses from the membership to continue.

New Business - None

Adjourn There being no further business, Marion asked for a motion to adjourn. Carmen Fish made a motion to adjourn and Rhonda Dunckel seconded. Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Christy Patterson, Secretary

