## <u>Approved MPWGA Board Meeting Minutes</u> November 8, 2022



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**Board Member Attendees:** Judy Grow, Brenda Creel, Cathy Quesnell, Andi Dresch, Donna Yon, Marilyn Brewer, Midge Borchert, Melanie Bassham, Kim Cox, Linda Schauer, Tina Donovan, Connie Simonds

Board Members Attending via Zoom: Kim Cox

**Board Members Not Attending:** Debbie McMullin, Lori Stegink

**Guest Attendees:** Janey Clausen, Ann Van Sickel, Barb Laskowski (attending via Zoom)

**President Judy Grow** called meeting to order at 1:33 p.m.

<u>Vice President Brenda Creel</u> stated that any contributions to the newsletter should be received by 11/28 for the December Newsletter. When introducing new members, the biographical information on that new member will be presented at the next business meeting instead of adding it to the newsletter. Getting the biographies in time for the newsletter deadline has been problematic in the past. Brenda said that she has received only one job description analysis. Every board member should review their job descriptions and send suggestions/corrections to Brenda as soon as possible.

**Secretary Melanie Bassham** had nothing to report.

Treasurer Cathy Quesnell presented the Proposed 2023 Report and asked if there were questions. Cathy explained that she thought the board expense budget number might be low since we spend \$415 just on Zoom, the mailbox and taxes alone. It was decided to leave the amount as is and if necessary, it could be increased next year. The expense budgeted for the President's Cup was increased to \$1,400 from \$1,000 to be on par with the Club Championship proposed budget of \$1,400. Weekly Events Chair Linda Schauer questioned the 2022 actual expense of \$470 when she could account for only \$335. This discrepancy will be double checked and corrected as necessary. Cathy reported that a number of checks received for the Cancer Tournament combined the entry fee of \$125 that should be made out to MPWGA, with donations that should be made out to the University of Arizona. These amounts should be separated and reconciled so that MPWGA and University of Arizona receive the intended amount. Cathy also pointed out that the total expected income of \$19,480 will not cover the anticipated expenses of \$22,435. The shortage will come from the excess reserve amount carried over from 2021. We will still have over \$4,000 in reserve even after taking \$2,955 from the reserve account. Rules Chair Marilyn Brewer moved that the board approve the proposed budget. Membership Chair Connie Simonds seconded the motion. The board voted to approve the budget unanimously.

<u>Weekly Events Chair Linda Schauer</u> reviewed her proposed weekly events schedule which she believed was as accurate as possible, given the uncertainty of the MountainView closure dates. She noted the schedule was subject to change but it had been approved by the pro shop. There was considerable discussion, but no changes made, to the Coyote Classic being held as just a one-day event and no Tuesday play day that week. A similar issue surrounded the Beach Bums Event. It was noted that the Cancer Tournament was scheduled for 2023 during Thanksgiving week. Since that can be a conflict with family and holiday travel, <u>Social Chair Donna Yon</u> would check with Food & Beverage to see what other days

might be available to us for the Cancer Tournament. At this time, another challenge is not knowing whether a shot gun or tee time start is possible. **Rules Chair Marilyn Brewer** moved that we approve the proposed schedule, **Secretary Melanie Bassham** seconded the motion and the board unanimously approved it.

<u>Membership Chair Connie Simonds</u> said that quite a few handicap members had not yet renewed, though they have until 12/28/22 to do so. She reminded the board members that players can have memberships at multiple clubs.

**Handicap Chair Andi Dresch** had nothing to report.

**Sponsorship Co-Chair Tina Donovan** asked the board if they had reviewed the proposed sponsorship new levels that **Sponsorship Chair Lori Stegink** had sent to the board via email prior to the board meeting. All members agreed the proposed levels looked reasonable. **Rules Chair Marilyn Brewer** moved that we approve the new levels. **Vice President Brenda Creel** seconded the motion and the board unanimously approved it.

**Special Events Chair Midge Borchert** reported that all special events were completed with the exception of the Cancer Tournament. **Special Events Co-Chair Kim Cox** requested that the board post the proposed schedule for Weekly Events and Special Events on the website as soon as possible in order to acquire volunteers to chair the special events. **Social Chair Donna Yon** will report back on available days for the Cancer Tournament. Once that date is firmed up, the schedule will be posted on the website and an email blast will be sent requesting Special Events' volunteers.

**Social Chair Donna Yon** stated that she needed a separate sign up on ForeTees for the December 6<sup>th</sup> Holiday Luncheon. Not all members will play golf and not all of them will join the luncheon. She said it was important for all event planners to increase any food budgets she had given them in the past by at least \$10 per person since food prices have escalated so significantly.

**Rules Chairman Marilyn Brewer** said she would provide her rules cards on the table at the Holiday Luncheon and requested that **Social Chair Donna Yon** give her a count of attendees as soon as possible.

<u>Nominating Committee Member Donna Yon</u> provided a proposed list of Board Members for review. The membership will need to review these and vote on them in the next Holiday Luncheon/Business Meeting on December 6, 2022. A list of nominees is posted on the website.

**President Judy Grow** said she had received correspondence of concern from the membership on 4 topics. The first topic was a request to change the methods used to determine payouts for birdies and chip-ins in an effort to equalize opportunities for all participants to obtain a payout. A significant amount of discussion was had on this topic (which had been reviewed during several previous board meetings). A motion was made by **Special Events Chair Midge Borchert** to keep the policy as reviewed earlier in the year without changes. **Treasurer Cathy Ouesnell** seconded the motion and the board approved it with one dissenting vote. The second item of concern was a proposal that the Weekly Events Chair be a full-time resident. Guest Barb Laskowski said that during the year a few instances caused confusion and/or slow play on the day of play, such as 1) who should call the game in the event of inclement weather and 2) when last minute changes to the tee sheet occurred resulting in a 2-some or 3-some being stuck in the middle of a playing field of foursomes. It was suggested that a position of Weekly Events Co-**Chair** be created to make those last-minute decisions as necessary. Janey Clausen was suggested as a nominee. Subsequent to the board meeting, a special session of the Executive Committee met and unanimously approved Janey Clausen as Co-Chair for Weekly Events in an effort to mitigate any lastminute play day confusion. The third item of concern was that some of the membership wanted to see a complete list of the standings of all the participants of special events including a list of all payouts for the

winners. After discussion, the payouts will be listed for all winners, but the standings would not be listed for all participants. Those participants that did poorly would more than likely not want their poor statistics published. The last request dealt with the idea of giving gifts to those individuals who volunteered their special talents during the year. After a brief discussion, the decision was made to refrain from gifts but continue to acknowledge their special efforts throughout the year in front of our whole membership at a Holiday Luncheon or other Business Meeting, for example. The thinking behind this decision was that there are quite a lot of individuals who volunteer their time and talents for the league and if gifts are given to one individual, a lot of gift-giving would then be justified for others.

<u>Action Items:</u> 1) Board Members are to review and update their job descriptions and email this information to <u>Vice President Brenda Creel</u> prior to the next board meeting. 2) Morris Hall Plaque Status: <u>COMPLETED!</u> Tina advised that a plaque had been given as recognition for their sponsorship.

The next Business Meeting/Holiday Luncheon will be held in the MountainView Ballroom on December 6, 2022, following golf for that day. The next Board Meeting will be in the Cactus Room of the MountainView Clubhouse on December 13, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted Melanie Bassham Secretary, MPWGA