

MPWGA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 18, 2025

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Lori Stegink, Melanie Bassham, Susan Salmeri, Connie Maslowski, Cathy Quesnell, Connie Simonds, Andrea Dresch, Suzan Carter, Jane Megrde, Donna Yon.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Brenda Creel

BOARD MEMBERS ATTENDING VIA ZOOM: Carey Ricard

PRESIDENT LORI STEGINK called the meeting to order at 3 PM.

Susan Salmeri gave an update on the Golf Committee Meeting held on 3-17-25. The topic of discussion at the Golf Committee meeting was the playability issues at the Preserve Golf Course, and irrigation issues. A letter from MPWGA and MPLN in support of permanent yellow tee boxes to enhance the playing experience for women, seniors, and outside players has been submitted to the committee.

SPECIAL EVENTS TEE PRIZES: Event chairs have been told that they MUST buy their tee prizes through Mike Karpe at the Pro Shop. This has never been a requirement in the past and the cost is much more than going through another vendor. This does not seem reasonable, and Lori Stegink will follow up with Mike. Donna Yon will advise Events organizers that this is not a requirement.

2025 BUDGET: There have been questions regarding the projected budget vs. the actual budget. Today's account balance is \$20,167.29. We have been trying to spend down the balance since we had so much money in reserve. We currently have received more money than expected in dues, sponsorships, and events that came in under budget. We will closely monitor the budget, and if needed we can trim expenses on business meetings, and the Holiday luncheon that we subsidize. This will be discussed at the next business meeting on April 29th.

MENTOR PROGRAM: Suzan Carter discussed the mentor program and how two new members played today and were looking forward to playing with their mentor. However, due to the game of the day, handicaps did not work well for this to happen. It was discussed that we need to be more flexible with the game so the new members feel welcome and can

play with their mentor. Jane Megrde suggested a proposal that will allow this to happen by doing the pairings before the scorecards and tee sheets go out.

LOCAL RULES: Connie Simonds suggested that we review local rules and make sure members know where to look for them. They are on the MPWGA website, which also denote designated drop areas. This is a good item for a future newsletter.

We will review Standing Rules at our April meeting:

-Rewording regarding the Mentor Program

We will review By Laws at our May or June meeting:

-Article 10 needs to be in line with SBHOA2 policy changes of 4-24-24

OLD BUSINESS: Action item from our February meeting was regarding guidelines for the date of handicap used to set up flights and scorecards: This will be determined by each event committee. Each event committee will notify the players of the date of the handicap to be used, as close as possible to the date of the event, one week to 10 days in advance. This is to be noted on the event flyer. Also to be noted on the flyer will be protocol used in case there is a playoff. Donna Yon will advise the event committees.

Also, per our Constitution and By Laws: The MPWGA is a not-for-profit organization and uses membership dues and donations to preserve, promote and enhance the true spirit of the game of golf among women in Saddlebrooke as well as to support charitable endeavors.

NEXT MEETING: Items for the agenda for our next meeting to be held on April 8, 2025:

Draft Schedule for 2026

Cancer Tournament for 2026

Club Championship and President's Cup 2026

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:25 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Salmeri

Secretary, MPWGA

