

NWGA BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Nashville Golf & Athletic Club – August 31, 2017

ROLL CALL

Officers

President Janice Sauter (L)

Treasurer Joanne Parkinson (TH)

Secretary Catherine Sutton (BG)

Future Policy & Past Presidents

Mary Ruth Geny (H)

Joanne Walker (FP/FH)

Debbie McDuffie (FH)

Committee Chairs

Handicap – Cathy Wedekind (OH)

Rules - Libbie Hagewood (TH/WH)

Website – Sara Hume (TH)

Junior Golf - Mary Del Scobey (TH)

Sunshine/Communications – Rhonda Manous (FO/FH)

Club Reps

Bluegrass – Caryn Crenshaw

Brentwood –

Fairvue Plantation -

Five Oaks – Betty Sable

Foxland Harbor – Joanne Walker, Kathy Barber

Governor’s Club – Jean Acton, Ginger Oglesby

Hillwood – Kim DeMoss

Legends – Gena Ridings

Nashville Golf & Athletic – Betsy Davie

Old Hickory – Cathy McEntire

Old Natchez –

Richland – Kimberly Cooper

Temple Hills – Vickie Riffin

Westhaven – Chris Blossom, Judy Boscamp

Other Board Members

Legends - Gail Smothers Smith

WELCOME

President Janice Sauter called the meeting to order, welcomed all who could attend, and thanked all for contributing their time to the NWGA. She apologized for the cancellation of golf for the day but weather forecast made it necessary. Secretary Catherine Sutton made the roll call.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Board Meeting of June 8, 2017 were distributed by the secretary. Correction made to the spelling of new member Carolyn Johnston. Motion made by Sara Hume to approve as presented, with second by Joanne Walker. Minutes were approved.

1ST VICE PRESIDENT

Marty Jordan was not able to attend but asked President Janice Sauter to distribute play day winnings to club reps. The Invitational Tournament at Five Oaks was a success with thanks and congratulations to Betty Sable and her team for putting together this great event. The only remaining tournament for this season is the Lad and Lassie at Governor's Club on October 12. Jean Acton is working on that.

Janice reported the following funds were distributed for previous events: \$630 to the Handicap, \$775 to the Invitational, and \$260 to the Pro/Lady. We have \$601 available for the Lad and Lassie.

2ND VICE PRESIDENT

Donna Robers was not available; however, there was nothing new to report on the publication. Janice will get with Donna to ensure that any new members' information is publicized to everyone in case there is a need to contact any of them.

TREASURER

Treasurer Joanne Parkinson reported that she has recovered the funds previously scammed. Thanks to the police departments and district attorneys who were diligent in making this happen. She presented the Financial Report (attached) which is actual Income/Expense with the exception of the Junior Golf commitment which has not been paid. With the recovery of those funds we have a balance of \$10,954.14. The Junior Golf funds for 2016 (\$1,370) are yet to be distributed. All other expenses have been paid.

COMMITTEES

Handicap – Cathy Wedekind presented eight applicants for membership:

Cindy West – Foxland Harbor – 18.0 GHIN

Laurie Ziegler – Foxland Harbor – 15.8

Elise Cambournac – Governors Club – 18.3

Jill Clark – Hillwood Country Club – 18.0

Diana Siepel – Temple Hills – 18.4

Kimberly Ames - Vanderbilt Legends Club – 12.9

Deborah Mauk - Vanderbilt Legends Club – 15.8

Susan Taylor – Vanderbilt Legends Club – 11.5

Joanne Walker made the motion to accept the new applicants, second by Betsy Davie. All approved.

Historian/Publicity – Lea Ann Barrett was not available at this meeting; however, Janice asked that tournament pictures be submitted to Lea Ann.

Rules – Libbey Hagewood had no new rules to discuss. However, she has had numerous inquiries about the newest rule of accidental movement of the ball on the putting surface. She reiterated that if the ball moves by wind, water, or gravity, it is to be played where it lands. If the player causes the ball to move accidentally, the ball is to be placed in its original position.

There was some discussion about future rule changes. Libbey encouraged all to submit any ideas to her and she will forward to the appropriate USGA officials.

Nominating Committee – No report at this time.

Constitution – Mary Ruth Geny had been tasked with researching how funds are to be disbursed for Junior Golf. See Junior Golf below for results.

Junior Golf – Mary Del Scobey has been in discussion with Thelma Ewell of the First Tee. They are very appreciative of our contributions, both monetary and equipment. The ladies and senior clubs are appropriate for the girls and can be adjusted, re-gripped, etc. to fit them. The next collection date for Junior Golf will September 14 at Fairvue Plantation as the last two play days for collection were rained out.

It was reiterated that on Page 14 of our directory our mission for Junior Golf and distribution of funds is already stated and the board is to vote on the distribution of said funds. We have \$1,370 collected in 2016 to be distributed. A motion was made by Joanne Walker with second by Kim DeMoss to send \$500 to the TGA for the Junior Amateur Championship previously played at Temple Hills with the remainder of \$870 to be paid to First Tee with a request the First Tee provide NWGA with a letter stating how the funds are being used. Our intention is that all funds be used for Girl's Golf. The motion passed.

Web Site – Sara Hume reported that there is at least one photo on the website for each participating club. Joanne will provide a more detailed history of NWGA to be posted. Sara asked that we consider a re-write of the webpage over the winter as maintenance is very cumbersome. It was discussed and all agreed that we should start a Facebook page available only to NWGA members. This requires no administrative person as any member will be able to post pictures/messages to it. It was asked that only items relative to NWGA be posted, no personal items. Sara will initiate the Facebook page.

Sunshine/Communication – Rhonda Manous noted that her email had been hacked previously and in order to avoid receiving messages she has not initiated, she will put "NWGA" in the subject line. If members receive any other broadcast messages from her, please delete without opening. She is still working with Sara to develop a Google sign-up sheet to be put on the webpage. She wants to work with the Future Policy Committee on this over the winter.

OLD BUSINESS

No other old business was presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Janice has been contacted by the Audience Producer for a new afternoon talk show hosted by Kellie Pickler. She was interested in having a group of NWGA ladies attend a show. Considering the size of our NWGA membership, Janice approached her local ladies group and 25 of them are going to attend and she will share the experience with any members who might be interested in getting a group of ladies to

attend a taping of the show. Janice welcomes sharing the information she currently has with anyone interested.

There has been some discussion about splitting the responsibilities of the 1st Vice President as the distribution of balls is an ongoing and tedious job. After discussion, it was determined that the 1st Vice President is welcome to ask for assistance for another member to help her with this task.

The Hideaway at Arrington has approached Janice to become a member of NWGA. They currently do not have a Ladies 18-Hole Organization but have enough ladies who can meet the other qualifications. Until they have an organized 18-Hole group, they do not qualify to join NWGA; however, all present were agreeable that once that happens, we would welcome them. It was suggested that a group from NWGA go to the Hideaway at Arrington to meet with them so they are fully aware of criteria and responsibilities.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Sutton

Secretary