

VERMONT STATE WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

Meeting: Board of Directors
Date/Time: October 21, 2003 at 1:30 p.m.
Place: Lake Morey Inn

Attended by: Cathy Brown, Elizabeth Walker, Jeanne DiBattisto, Sue Ginnett, Harriet Parot, Cheryl Hoar, Cindy Paquet, Linda Duncan, Mary Corey, Pat Job, Sue Ming

Recorded by: Mary Corey

The meeting was called to order by the President, Cathy Brown.

Minutes of the September 16, 2003 Meeting were amended, Mid Amateur will be held at the Brattleboro Country Club on September 11 - 12, 2004. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Jeanne DiBattisto reported the VSWGGA Financial Statement reflects a false profit due to Scholarship funds being collected within the current fiscal year and paid the following year. Jeanne suggested, Scholarship money should be paid within the same year funds are collected. Another false profit issue is the State Day Points award money distributed in September while the majority of those certificated are not cashed until the following year. A possible solution was proposed to change the Fiscal Year to an earlier date. Cathy recommended we look at the pros and cons prior to making a major change of this nature. Jeanne was praised for her excellent work throughout the year and the report was approved.

President's Report: Cathy Brown reported the USGA Grants had been approved for the Computer Assistant (Sue Ming) and new full time Intern Position. The Intern Position Description was passed among the board members for review. Cathy introduced the new board member Mary Corey and the future board member Linda Duncan, *Linda will be filling the board vacancy created by Cathy's resignation when she moves to North Carolina in January* and both received the VSWGGA Board Members Manual. The slate of Officers approved by the Board were, Cathy Brown as President, Elizabeth Walker as Vice President, Mary Corey as Secretary and Jeanne DiBattisto as Treasury. The board members contact information list was passed around for review and changes.

2004 Tournament Dates/Locations:

State Match Play Tournament: *Unconfirmed* date of June 2 - 4, 2004 at Orleans Country Club. *Wednesday-Qualifier, Thursday and Friday -Match Play.*

Seniors Tournament: June 7 - 8, 2004 at Crown Point

Junior Match Play Tournament: July 5 - 7, 2004 at Ralph Myers, Middlebury, VT

State Amateur: August 9 - 11, 2004 at Country Club of Barre

Mid-Amateur: September 11 - 12, 2004 at Brattleboro Country Club.

The joint committee for Junior girls/boys has already been established, at our initiative with the Vermont PGA and VGA. This committee is set up to compare schedules for junior activities and make sure there is no overlap.

All issues relevant to tournament procedures are being referred to the tournament committee.

USGA Grants Update:

VSWGGA received approval for Intern position in 2004. Salary will be \$9. per hour not to exceed \$1,500. per month. This will be a full time position, the Intern will work out of the VSWGGA office assisting with tournaments and the Chelsea System. The Intern Position is a full time annual employee (incumbent *must reapply each year*).

Juniors Golf Program: need more clubs to feature discount rates for juniors, request letters of commitments. Establish joint committees for girls' & boys. The issue of liability for Junior Girls Program is of concern, but has been written in the grant to the USGA as a line item in the budget.

VSWGGA Office: A space is being renovated at the St Johnsbury Country Club. The phone line will be disconnected until April 1, 2004.

State Day-Related (Sue Ming):

Sue Ming was appointed State Day Chair and will be learning the Chelsea System throughout the winter months. The first state day will be held May 11, 2004. The Country Club of Vermont will no longer be hosting a state day. Their members cannot play in state days but may hold GHIN cards and play in major state tournaments.

Liz will mail the Tournament Procedures Book to all board members with a notation DO NOT REVISE.

Items deferred to an ad hoc committee, chaired by Sue Ming, who will conduct an assessment over the course of the year and report out to the annual membership meeting next October:

Electronic book: This is a proposed electronic State Day Book eliminating the printed version.

A suggestion was made to acquire a separate E-MAIL address for VSWGGA research

Chelsea Computer.

Motion was made to combine the Club Rep with the Handicap Rep position.

It was suggested Clubs Reps post scores when hosting State Days and encourages members to post all scores. No solution was found for the golfers who play frequently on their home course without posting their rounds. Pat suggested posting a P for their score on the days played. This will generate a prorated score based on their best rounds of golf that have been entered into the GHIN system.

Next Meeting: Lake Morey Inn, May 4, 2004, time 2:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at approximately 3:30 p.m.