

WMGA Quarterly Meeting Minutes
January 5, 2019

The Board meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. Board members in attendance were:

Bob Creager, President	Bill Ackerman, Vice President
Mark Cichocki, Tournament Chair	BJ Bjornaas, Director (by phone)
David Franek, Director	Jim Fairall, Director
David Gilbert,	Joe Smith, Treasurer
Vince Serio, Recording Secretary	

Representing The Woods Club:
Sally Johnston

Meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. and the following issues were discussed:

Walking in Tournaments

It was proposed that the WMGA:

1. Continue the policy that the standard means of participating in tournaments will be by golf cart, but
2. Recognize that there may be situations where a member's medical condition mitigate against riding in a cart, and
3. Require that a member seeking an exception to the cart riding policy notify the Board in writing no later than the Thursday before the tournament:
 - a. Explaining why riding a cart is not medically appropriate for them, and
 - b. Acknowledging that it is their responsibility to maintain pace of play with their foursome or face disqualification.

The motion was seconded and approved.

Green/White Tees

Several options were proposed for dealing with the issue of who should be eligible to choose to use the forward tees in a tournament:

- Have all members choose which tee they prefer to use at the beginning of the year and continue using that tee in every tournament, except for the club Championship;
- Any member whose age and handicap totals 85 or more has the option of using the forward tee;
- Any member whose average drive is under 200 yards has the option of using the forward tee;
- Flighting all tournaments green vs green and white vs white

After some discussion of the pros and cons of each approach, it was proposed that the WMGA adopt the age 85 age/handicap approach be adopted. Accordingly, beginning in 2019, any player whose age plus handicap equals 85 or more has the option to play from

the forward tees. The appropriate handicap stroke adjustment for mixed tee tournaments will be made to the forward tee players.

The motion was seconded and approved.

WMGA Financial Plan for 2019

There is a balance of \$1,283.61 in the WMGA account at the close of 2018. A flexible plan has been developed that will allow us to track projected and actual costs for each tournament throughout the 2019 season. We are starting with a projected membership total of 135 and, based on actual participation rates over the past few years, are estimating a slightly lower number of participants for each of the 10 tournaments the WMGA sponsors in 2019. The costs for each of the tournaments for beer, soda, water, food, trophies, and tee gifts are estimated based on last year actual costs. The plan currently shows that projected income and expenses (net income) will leave us within \$100 of the 2018 end of year balance. The Board will monitor net income throughout the year to ensure we are in line with our approved budget. A chart that includes our fixed plan vs actual net income will be continuously updated and will be posted on our web site so members are kept informed of the current state of our budget.

The financial plan was approved.

Invitation Letter

Though there have been ups and downs in WMGA membership from year to year, our overall membership declined nearly 30% since 2009. It was proposed that we personally address a letter to new home owners in The Woods to inform them about the WMGA/WWGA and encourage their participation. A one page letter will be drafted and, after concurrence of all Board members and the WWGA, will be provided to The Woods Club for direct mailing to Class A owners who bought property in The Woods in 2017 and later. The Woods Club will bill us for postage.

The motion was approved.

Tournament Update

The Board was advised that a new Super Senior Championship tournament is being added to our schedule for this year. The tournament will be open to all WMGA members age 75 and older and will be run concurrently with the Men's Senior Championship.

Meeting adjourned 4:25 p.m.

Prepared by:
Vince Serio, Recording Secretary