

WMGA Special Meeting Minutes September 24, 2022

The meeting began at 3:05 p.m. In attendance were:

Voting Members

Bob Creager, President
Keith Casper, Vice President
Dave Keeler, Tournament Chair
Joe Smith, Treasurer
David O'Brien
Lamar Williaams
Vince Serio, Recording Secretary

Non-Voting Members

John Valasek
Mark Clowser

Representing TMG

Mike Harbin

Representing the Woods Club

Sally Johnston

The following issues were discussed:

- It was proposed, seconded, and agreed to hold voting board members over until after the amenities purchase decision is finalized.
- Since the food price for the member-member will be lower than previously estimated there are funds available to expand the end of year bonus money to include Ron Gary and Andy at \$250 each.
- The tournament wining slots will be determined based on participation but be limited to no more than 4 places.
- In response to suggestions by members there was a discussion about alternating the format for the member-member each year between a 2 man better ball and a scramble. The consensus was to leave it as a two man better ball format.
- The handicap committee will review course conditions prior to the all tournaments to determine whether the conditions warrant employing the e-3 rule or play the ball down. This led to a discussion of the difference between WMGA rules following USGA guidance and TMG rules that allow rolling the ball in closely mown areas irrespective of course conditions.
- The Handicap committee recently reviewed GHIN postings after the Stony Lick Championship and notified 4 members of their failure to post scores. The pro shop posted their scores Repeated failures to post scores could result in the committee posting a score based on the lowest differential score being posted. Continued failures to post scores could result in the player being barred from participating in WMGA tournaments.
- Mike Harbin explained that beginning next year, TMG handicaps will be based on the prior two months TMG scores.
- The current balance in the treasury is \$6075.48. The end of year treasury report summarized the financial results of the 9 tournaments completed to date, showing:
 - Income exceeded expenses in every tournament except the Frostbite and Derby where we provide food and drinks.
 - Tournament participation was down from last year in the Frostbite (-5), Derby (-8), 666 (-12), Member-Guest (-3), and Stony Lick Championship (-5).

- Tournament participation was up in the Club Championship (+4), Better Ball/Scotch (+18), Senior Championship (+11), and Match Play (+1)
- With one more tournament to go, there are 36 members qualifying for participation in the Woods Cup.
- WMGA membership is currently 105, down from 122 last year. We lost 27 members from last year and gained 10 new member this year.
- A comparison of Woods Cup results to our membership records shows that:
 - 46 members participated in 3 or more tournaments
 - 11 members participated in 2 tournaments
 - 13 members participated in 1 tournament
 - 35 members participated in no tournaments
- Sally said a member reported that one of the management companies indicated there would be no WMGA if that company is selected to manage the golf course. None of the board members who attended the presentations heard anything that would indicate WMGA would not be involved in the tournament planning and operations. The money side of this (dues, entry fees, and prizes) will definitely need to be adjusted for tax compliance. Sally advised that dues for 2023 are normally announced by e-mail in January. If the amenities sale is finalized, the new management company will need to get this rolling early in the new year. If it fails or is delayed, The Woods Club will send the announcement as usual.
- We will remind all members that, in lieu of an annual meeting, there will be a few pertinent announcements made after the Member-Member tournament. Anyone interested in joining the board may contact Bob Creager.

Prepared by:
Vince Serio, Recording Secretary