

**MINUTES OF SAWGA MEETING
MARCH 10, 2023**

The meeting was called to order by President Debbie Zimmerman at 9:03 at the Wandermere club house. She welcomed the group and thanked Herb Brown and his staff. Debbie clarified that the only voting members are the Senior and Junior Representatives from each club. We will be using voice votes unless ballots are requested.

Secretary Ro Bury verified that a quorum had been met. The sign-in sheet is attached to these minutes. Each club had 2 representatives present with the exception of Manito which had no representation.

Jackie Babin clarified that the October 6, 2022 minutes don't accurately reflect the dues change for individual members.

MOTION: A motion was made by Cheryl Hull and seconded by Diane Malmo that the 10/7/22 minutes be amended on Page 6, under "Banner/Flag Quotes," line 8 to read "Jackie Babin from Latah Creek moved that we raise dues *to \$30.00 for individual members*"... The motion was unanimously approved.

Leslie Sevigney clarified that the Parliamentarian shouldn't be listed as an officer.

Treasurer Darcia Waples announced that the income/expense report for 2022 is available upon request. No audit was conducted because she has not received all of the information from past Treasurer Beth Wrigley.

Assistant Leslie Sevigney gave the Sweeps 1-3 report (in the absence of chair Bobbi Jo Rathvon). Bobbi Jo will not be putting 2 walkers and 2 riders in each foursome but will try to get different clubs in each group. BJ is still looking for a replacement to take over Golf Genius. Bobbi Jo and her assistant Leslie are both leaving their positions at the end of this season.

Julie Herro gave the Sweeps 4-6 report. Assistant Heather Delanoy will assume responsibility if assistant Jeannette Delisle is unable to continue. This committee will also not be putting 2 walkers and 2 riders together but will try to get different clubs in each group.

Numerica Cup Chair Jackie Babin is willing to train a new person on Golf Genius. The Numerica Cup schedule and forms are on the SAWGA website. She will be forwarding the sign up form to each senior rep. before each event.

SAWGA Scramble chair Calla Rodell reported the scramble will be held on June 16 at Meadowwood with an 8:00 shotgun start. She clarified that members may invite people who

may be interested in joining SAWGA. Donations for prizes are being accepted. Other than potential new members, each foursome must be from the same club (including associate members).

Web Coordinator Sue Lightfoot announced that Taryn Hutchins is taking over postings to the website.

Absent Championship Tournament Co-Chair Jackie Worobec sent an email to Darcia Waples who relayed that the SAWGA awards luncheon will be held at Darcy's in the valley on September 29th. The theme is "Wizards of Ahs." Jackie and her committee have changed the Tournament assistant chair identifiers from numbers to names that clarify duties. Each club will be provided with just a few entries. Bobbi Jo will send an entry to each SAWGA member. Entries will also be available on the SAWGA website. Any questions should be referred to co-chair Susie Luby.

There was no Parliamentary report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Flags and Banners – The membership had previously agreed to address the need for new or replacement SAWGA banners. Debbie Zimmerman read the quotes from Banners Northwest and Instant Sign Factory. There was considerable conversation about the merits and disadvantages of each design.

MOTION: Ronna Ricco moved that we utilize the Instant Sign Factory proposal of one, single retractable Banner (48.25" x 82.87" to accommodate all of the club names and the SAWGA logo which comes complete with base, snap top rail, three piece bungee pole and carry bag at a cost of \$250 plus \$45 for shipping). The motion was seconded by Coco Spurway and passed unanimously.

Ronna Ricco reported that she may have a third option with William Reed.

MOTION: Jackie Babin moved that we accept the Instant Sign Factory bid unless a bid from William Reed is lower. Ronna Ricco seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously. Ronna will provide the William Reed quote to the executive board.

Laura Bossart Award: - Sue Lightfoot talked about the background of the Laura Bossart award which is an annual award recognizing outstanding SAWGA contributors. SAWGA members are asked to nominate past and present members and submit a written summary of accomplishments and contributions. The award has gone by the wayside over the last few years. Sue would like to see it revived, and if the membership is interested she will continue to

support it (being one of the deciders for the award). The nomination form is on the SAWGA website. Sue is willing to send emails to the clubs asking for nominations.

It was noted the membership voted in October to keep the award.

Darcia suggested that Junior and Senior Representatives talk to their clubs.

After some conversation Sue agreed to write something about the award and send an email to the club presidents. The presidents will be responsible for getting information to club members. Sue will include previous winners and eligibility requirements for the award. The new deadline for nominations will be August 15th.

New Tee Box Proposal: Debbie Zimmerman talked about Susie Luby's proposal to change our tee boxes to be based on handicaps or flights. Susie will draft something to provide the clubs with information about the proposal for discussion.

NEW BUSINESS:

City Course Fees: Darcia Waples reported that she and Jackie Babin had met with Mark Poirier and staff regarding use of discount cards at SAWGA events on city courses. He promised to get an answer to them and sent an email on March 8 stating that SAWGA members can only use city course discounts during one event per course per season. The discount price will be \$44 for both events (which is \$3.00 off the regular city tournament rate). Discount cards may be used at one of the events if more than one SAWGA event is scheduled at a course. (See Motion below).

There was a discussion about whether SAWGA should decide where we should apply the discount for Esmeralda this year; the city tournament or Numerica Cup.

MOTION: Ronna Ricco moved that SAWGA apply the discount in the following order to SAWGA events on city courses when more than one event will be held at that course: 1) Championship Tournament, 2) Sweeps, and 3) Numerica Cup. The motion was seconded by Mary Duhon and unanimously approved.

Jackie Babin mentioned she is doing everything she can to avoid having more than 2 events at any course during the season.

Numerica Cup Contribution: Darcia Waples reported she contacted Numerica Credit Union, and it will be contributing \$1,500 to SAWGA again this year.

SAWGA Website Changes: Jackie Babin announced that because our website had been hacked no addresses, phone numbers or email addresses will be shown on the website. Short

versions of lists of the officers, standing chairs and representatives will be shown. The presidents of each club will be provided with the longer versions, and Jackie will provide the longer version to anyone on request.

Cathy Skrabac asked if SAWGA is considering any new clubs to replace Sundance and The Fairways. Heather Delanoy said that the LPGA Amateurs are interested. They plan to determine a home course in the fall. The Coeur d'Alene Municipal Course is not interested in joining.

The fall meeting will be held on October 6th at 9:00 at the Wandermere clubhouse.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25.

Submitted by:
Ro Bury, Secretary