

Cottonwood Ladies Golf Association Board Meeting

DATE: February 6, 2025

LOCATION: Phoenix Room, CLC

ELECTED OFFICERS PRESENT: Zara Logan, Deb Feist, and Virginia Diers

APPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Marylana Breit, Karen Fischer, Nancy Hermanson, Mary Anne Lofquist, Sandy Eeds, and Sandy Worden

STANDING COMMITTEES AND CHAIRS PRESENT: Deb Badger

The meeting was called to order at 1:34 PM by the president, Zara Logan.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mary Anne Lofquist moved to approve the January Board Meeting Minutes posted on the website. Sandy Worden seconded and the motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Zara Logon reported for Pat McRoberts. We are over budget of \$126.09 for the CottonVerde Tournament. Zara will ask for an itemized report of what caused the overage. Karen Fischer moved to approve the report, Mary Anne Lofquist seconded and the motion passed.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT: Regarding the business sponsorship Deb Feist reported she has contacted several businesses and has received a positive response. She's already received one donation and commitments from a few others. This will help our budget issues and give these businesses publicity. Individual members can also donate and the money would go into the league's general budget under the donation line item.

The board agreed not to pursue the non-profit tax-exempt 501c3 or 501c7.

Deb asked for suggestions for the March Patio Party regarding what food we should serve—should we stick with chicken or try something different? One suggestion was pizza, and Deb will look into the costs of chicken, salads, and pizza.

MEMBER AT LARGE: Deb reported for Tara Bradford. Tara is gathering input from members to share with the board. Deb Feist will meet with Tara about her report and the Board's suggestions. More details will be forthcoming.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

18/9ERS TOURNAMENT: Deb Badger reported that snacks and drinks will be available on the patio after playing. After a discussion, it was decided this event would be treated as a social gathering rather than a competition. Only one small gift will be awarded, which will go to the overall winners. The event will be on February 20th.

TOURNAMENT CHAIR: Karen Fischer reported that next week, the 2nd week of our Partners Tournament will be a 2-person best ball. The Partners is a major tournament and will have the same format next year – 1st week a scramble and the following week a 2-person best ball. The board agreed that for the Partners Tournament, you must have a partner for at least one week of the two weeks.

The board agreed for next year the rule for Match Play will be: that players must either ride with their competitor or drive alone if their competitor is walking. A non-competitor rider will not be allowed; the issue of coaching or helping is the reason.

GOLF COMMITTEE CHAIR: Sandy Worden reported that Scott said the fairways will improve as the weather gets warmer.

The Jonus system will be implemented this summer and is compatible with Golf Genius.

Regarding the "Duck Crap" issue, there is no local rule allowing players to pick up and clean their balls while on the fairway or in the rough.

A memorial for Bill Todd will be placed on hole #7 at Palo Verde.

Scott clarified that the rumor about our greens being affected by a fungus is false.

The tee box markers have not yet been ordered.

HANDICAP CHAIR: Nancy Hermanson reported that two cards are not being turned in.

RULES CHAIR: Marylana Breit, Karen Fischer, and Zara will meet with Jon regarding afternoon play. The board would like more information on why he decided we could not have afternoon play, and if it can be worked out for next year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS cont.

AZ GOLF REP: Mary Anne Lofquist reported that February 13 is a qualifier for the State Medallion. It is also the second week of our Partners Tournament so everyone must putt out.

WEBMASTER: Sandy Eeds reported on our website under the "List of Local Rules": Rule 17 - Drop Zones on holes 5, 13, and 16 are additional options during ladies day golf. Drop zone on hole 18 is not an option during Ladies Day golf.

OLD BUSINESS

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE REPORT: Zara Logan reported a 30-day notice was posted for the proposed Code of Conduct update to our By-Laws along with changing the 30-day requirement posting to 15 days. The 30-day requirement expires on February 14th. Sandy Eeds will send out a notice to the members to vote on these changes via the website.

NEW BUSINESS

SUGGESTED RULE CHANGES: Karen Fischer asked about the possibility of changing the rules to read if two balls go in the water, the player can use the drop zone on hole 18, Karen Fischer asked about the possibility of declaring a provisional ball if unsure your ball went over/cleared the water on hole 18.

Zara Logan asked Marylana to research these suggestions.

LUNCHEON SIGN-UP PROCEDURE: There is confusion regarding the process for signing up for lunch and playing golf on luncheon days. One suggestion is to use Golf Genius for golf and the website for the luncheon. Deb will research to see if this is a feasible option.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55.

Virginia Diers
Secretary