



CENTRAL SAVANNAH RIVER AREA WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION



Minutes for March 7, 2018 at West Lake Country Club

Board of Directors

Executive Board:

Elected:

President: Pat Roberts
Vice-President: Kath Blackburn
Secretary: Tracey Sillito
Treasurer: Janet Richmond
Past President: Anita Patterson

Executive Board:

Appointed:

Handicap: Carrie Dillard
Montenyohl Chmpshp: Sandy Rados
Publicity: Kathy Blackburn
Rules: Lynne Ulreich
Team Play: Mary Vaarwerk
Tournament: Brooke Hempel
Webmaster: Michelle Randrup

Representatives:

Cedar Creek: Cookie Caruso / Pat Wilson
Gordon Lakes: Barbara Blatter / Charlotte Johnson
Goshen Plantation: Deb Wilcox / Renee Gibbons
Houndslake: Diane Dorton / Sonja Johnson
Midland Valley: Jayne Becker
Mount Vintage: Susie Hodgen / Helen Campbell
The Reserve Club: Sandy Rados / Judy Geddis
Rocky Branch: Ann Sanders / Sue Thorstad
Savannah Lakes: Donna Hutto
West Lake: Betsy Howard
Woodside Plantation: Marion Hansen / Susie O'Connell

Mara Bushee
Beth Turner

I. CALL TO ORDER: The President Pat Roberts called the meeting to order at 9:02 am

II. PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS/MONTHLY REPORTS:

- A. Welcome: The president welcomed everyone. She read a letter that she had received from Lynne Ulreich the Rules Chair, who was absent from the meeting due to an accident whilst on a visit to Mexico. Her leg was injured and she is waiting results from an MRI to see if any surgery is needed.
Pat has also received a letter from the First tee of Augusta, thanking the CSRA WGA for our donation. They had 7 members complete all levels of the First Tee curriculum to earn Ace level certification, they awarded 2 \$1000 college scholarships to graduating seniors, 1 attending Southern University and 1 attending Newberry College. They will host the NSP golf and life skills challenge on Friday March 17th with 135 students. 5 students from the First tee of Augusta were selected to participate in the junior invitational at Sage Valley. And also Rob Lee has joined their staff as head professional.
- B. Minutes: The Motion made by Jayne Becker and seconded by Mary Vaarwerk to accept the November minutes as written was passed.
- C. Financial Report: A motion was made by Pat Wilson and seconded by Diane Dorton to accept the financial report for March as written. The Motion was passed.
- D. VICE PRESIDENT: Kathy Blackburn stated that she had started looking at the 12 year calendar. As the Montenyohl tournament is now a 2 day tournament the calendar has to be changed. She will work with Michelle Randrup, the Webmaster to get that changed on the website.
She has made tentative changes to the 2018/2019 calendar to get one of the courses moved to Feb. She asked that all club reps look at the 12 year calendar and let her know what dates work for the 2018/2019 year so she can get those dates put in.

III. ROLL CALL: See the above results. Highlighted name indicates the person was present.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Team Play: Next team play is on the 19th March at Gordon Lakes. Mary Vaarwerk stated that she has reached out to other clubs to play team but they do not have enough members who want to play to be able to field a team so it looks like it will be the same 6 clubs again next year.

B. Montenyohl Tournament: Wed Sept 12 @ Goshen / Thurs Sept 13 @ Reserve

C. Publicity: Kathy Blackburn asked that as she is going to be President next year if the reps could ask their members if somebody would volunteer to take over the publicity position for that year so she will not have to do both.

D. Rules: On behalf of Lynne Ulreich the president Pat Roberts read out the rule of the month.

Casual Water: It is defined as a temporary accumulation of water that is not in a water hazard and is visible before or after you take your stance. If you are unsure you must do one of two things. You must see the obvious water above ground and in the immediate area of your stance or your ball OR you must step into the area and take a playing stance with both feet on the ground and see water around your feet or ball. Then you may move it. (This does not mean tapping the ground with a club to locate water or standing on one foot nearby bouncing up and down in the area to create a puddle or just declaring it too wet and do not want to ruin my shoes) Dew, frost, wet grass and/or mud are not casual water. Remember when you decide to take relief from casual water, to make sure you know where your relief will be. It will be the nearest point of relief and you may prefer to play out of the casual water.

E. Handicap: Nothing

F. Webmaster: Michelle Randrup stated that she had received a bill of \$114 from the Website hosting service.

G. Tournament: Nothing

H. Representative Reports: Ann Sanders: A Rocky Branch 3rd Annual Spring Ball fundraiser flyer has been put in each reps folder. Please post it at your club to let your members know. Marion Hansen: A reminder that Woodside Plantations has new course rating. Please Keep that in mind for play in May.

Cookie Caruso: Cedar Creek: The President of their ladies league has resigned and as Cookie is Vice President she will be taking over that position, which means she will no longer be the CSRA rep. Their board will be meeting to select a new rep.

V. Old Business: A discussion regarding the Stableford Format and who will host it took place.

President Pat Roberts read out the USGA rules. According to the state rules a player scores 1 point for a bogey, 2 points for a par, 3 points for a birdie, 4 points for an eagle and 5 points for an albatross. You win a competition by scoring the most points overall. On an amateur level if a player takes 6 shots on a par 4 hole and is entitled to a shot because of their handicap their net score is 5.

A motion was made by Betsy Howard and seconded by Mary Vaarwerk for Mount Vintage to host the Stableford tournament. The motion was passed. The tournament will be held on Monday Sept 24 2018.

VI. New Business: A discussion was held regarding which two days of the week we should use to hold the Montenyohl Tournament in 2019 and beyond. Janet Richmond passed on Carrie Dillard's comment in her absence, which was, that she felt that it should be up to the host clubs to decide. Instead of having it planned out with the days blacked out in advance. Vice president Kathy Blackburn pointed out that if we decided to do this the clubs would have to let her know a year in advance as she has to set the schedule calendar. So for example if your club is on the

schedule for the 2019 tournament she would have to have their preferred days for that by the June or July of 2018.

A motion was made by Brooke Hempel and seconded by Kathy Blackburn for the host clubs to decide which 2 days they would like to hold the Montenyohl. And that it would be decided in the June/July the year before in readiness for the schedule calendar. The motion was approved.

Life Member Nomination: Brooke Hempel on behalf of Mary Helen McElreath, put forward a nomination for Life membership for one of our members who has been an active member of the CSRA WGA for four decades. Mary Helen feels that her contributions to the association over this time frame demonstrates the Mission Statement of the association which is "The purpose of the organization shall be to promote, coordinate, and standardize inter-club play among its membership". The nominee has served as a Team Play captain and a club rep over the years and has also served as CSRA WGA President. Has been a competitor and winner in the Montenyohl tournament and has promoted the CSRA by taking her game and experience to the state of Georgia level and served on the Georgia Women's Golf Association board, and continues to encourage CSRA WGA members to participate on the state level.

A motion was made and seconded to forward the nominee for Lifetime Membership. The motion was passed and forwarded to the executive board for their final approval.

The topic of whether to do away with lunch on our stroke play days to reduce the cost and time was raised. It was put forward that the prize money earnings could be saved until the end of the year and awarded at the Montenyohl Tournament lunch. And that time saving measures could be implemented. After much discussion the general consensus was that we continue with lunch and try to improve pace of play and the scoring/results and announcements process.

- VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Next stroke play tournament is March 15 at West Lake - 10:00 shot gun.
Scorers: Brooke Hempel
Rules: Lynne Ulreich

The Four Ball tournament will be at Savannah Lakes on Thursday 19th - 10:00 shot gun start.
Play will be from the Red Tees.

The next Board meeting will be at Savannah Lakes on Wednesday April 11 at 9:00

- VIII. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:10

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey Sillito
CSRA WGA Secretary

Post Meeting Addendum

It was found after the March meeting that a procedure was followed incorrectly. A written nomination for Lifetime membership was presented to the whole board instead of directly to the Executive board. This addendum is to clarify the correct procedure. The correct procedure is "Nominations for a Lifetime membership will be given, in writing, to the Executive Board for consideration of presentation to the whole Board"