



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
May 10, 2016

Location: House of Annette Kahler

Present: Natalia Bausback (Finance), Stephanie Brown (Communications), Tara Curley (Member Services), Emily Ekland (Marketing), Michele Endries (Membership Recruitment) Annette Kahler (President), Emma Maceko (Events), Jana Behe (Chapter Championship Director)

Absent: Liz Gaudet (Golf Programs)

Key: → = follow-up item
* = vote

1. Chapter Championship

Discussions about history of our chapter championship: an average of 20 attendees per year over the last 10 years. Goal is for 30 attendees this year.

Behe reports the deadline for sign-up is 6/34/16. Price is set at \$95 riding and \$80 walking with the \$50 National fee included. A token for the range is also included. Food is not included. Tee times will begin at 1pm, target for finishing at 5:30-6:30pm. Participants expected to register by 1 hour prior to tee time, at which time there will be a rules meeting.

→Discussion ensued concerning food offerings after completion of the tournament: buffet vs. ordering off the menu vs. fixed menu of burgers/hot dogs.

→Target subsidy per player is \$30 for awards and food. Direct sponsorship to help subsidize this is being pursued by Ekland and Endries.

Ekland volunteered to serve as "Day-Of" Chapter Championship Director, and is currently pursuing handicap verification volunteer, photography volunteer, registration volunteers and first tee announcer.

→Discussion concerning encouraging participation included talk about an informative/educational series to be conducted through both league visits and/or online communication.

2. Approval of April Minutes

*Vote to accept: Motion, Maceko; second, Brown. In favor: unanimous.

3. Finance Update

Bausback reports current cash balance is high due to collection of league entry fees with course green fee payments still outstanding at present. A charity donation of \$400 will be made from Kick-off pick-a-prize collection. Sponsorship for chapter championship and regional semi-finals will increase subsidation amounts for these events.

4. Leadership Fund

\$1800 from last year's 50/50 drawings is the budget for this year's leadership fund. There are 3 attendees to this year's EWGA National Conference Summit. The board discussed at length the amount to subsidize this year's attendees, leaving enough in the budget to subsidize this year's future attendees at the EWGA National Championship.

*Vote to subsidize the EWGA National Conference participants at \$175 towards registration fees: Motion, Kahler; second, Ekland. In favor: unanimous.

5. Leagues

Gaudet, unable to attend, provided a "fun facts" sheet which included stats on this year's league participation: 15 leagues, 181 golfers signed up for single leagues, 7 golfers for multiple leagues and 21 golfers signed up as subs only. That equals 209 out of 220 members served by leagues this year.

There will be a second set of lesson clinics being established by the chapter's clinic coordinator, Mary Corrigan.

GHIN sign-ups have increased dramatically this year, most likely due to the convenience of online sign-up.

6. Calendar

→The date for the New Member Scramble will be moved out of May (most likely moved to July or August).

3-Club Tournament will be held at the Town of Colonie Golf Course on 6/17/16, captained by Robin Raco.

→Discussion ensued concerning combining the League Challenge with the Final Putt due to low participation in the final putt in the past and change in league challenge format this year. Chairs will be Nancy Wolfe and Terri-Ann Montayne. Tentative date is October 1st,

possibly at Saratoga Spa in a scramble format. A planning meeting has been scheduled with Kahler, Gaudet, Wolfe and Montayne.

→Planning to begin on the Annual Dinner tentatively set for the week of October 25th, possibly at Shaker Ridge.

*Vote to adjourn: Motion, Endries; second, Maceko. In favor: unanimous.
Meeting adjourned 8:22 pm.