

WOMEN'S AKRON DISTRICT GOLF ASSOCIATION
FALL REPRESENTATIVES BOARD MEETING
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2018
10 AM followed by lunch

Members present: President Natalie Weinsz, Tournament Chairperson Gail Hackett, Treasurer Doreen Smith, Vice President Jan Coleman, Past President Ann Hunt, Kathy Keiser Schiltz, Pam Wharton, Martha Gannon, Renee Dietz, Cheri Gilbert, Sharon Merklin, Carol Mikolay, Jean Burnquist, Michele Ryan (Guest from Silver Lake), Amy Dawley, and Linda Clancy

CALL TO ORDER: Natalie Weinsz called the meeting to order at 10 AM. Ann Hunt held the proxy for Brookside Country Club and Jan Coleman held the proxy for Westfield Country Club. Michele Ryan was introduced by Amy Dawley as the 2020 Silver Lake Representative.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Ann Hunt was asked to take the minutes in Janet Kaboth's absence. Minutes from the May 4, 2018 Spring Representatives Meeting and the June 1, 2018 Special Opening Day Meeting were approved as written.

- Janet Kaboth was thanked for designing the WADGA pamphlet/flyer to promote membership. Suggestions for how we can put it to its best use followed: post it on WADGA bulletin boards; email blast it to all eligible women golfers; send it as part of each club's newsletter; and/or mail it to all potential qualifying women at your club and follow-up with a personal phone call. We all need to encourage additional members to join WADGA.
- The group agreed that they would like to have the specifics about how to calculate the Team Award and President's Award winners included in the WADGA booklet.
- Once the 2019 roster (and any subsequent rosters) is posted to the WADGA website, all the Representatives should double-check their club members' information. All corrections should be sent to the WADGA secretary for modification.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Doreen Smith handed out the 2018 Financials. (See submitted report.)

- The increase in the Member Club dues to \$50 was without issue.
- The membership dues for 100 players, which we budgeted, equaled the actual number of members. The 50/50 raffle at Opening Day brought in an extra \$144 of income.

- We saved nearly \$200 by having handbook printed by Knight Graphics in Brimfield, Ohio.
- Team Award plaque will be engraved at Engraver's Edge for Ohio Prestwick and Westfield.
- This year each point earned by the winning players was worth \$1.80 and the checks have been sent to all the member club Pro Shops for members to use at their club.
- IRS Form 990 was filed on May 15, 2018.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Jan Coleman reported the following:

- Reporting via email to the Media Representatives went well.
- Twin Lakes will not be asked to rejoin WADGA because it only is a 9-hole, public course
- Union CC is not interested in joining because they have very few women who are eligible to play.
- Glenmoor Country Club showed interest but declined joining because they were requesting that at least six women from Glenmoor join WADGA. They are willing to host WADGA in 2019 if we agreed to their higher tournament fee.
- Medina Country Club doesn't have an LGA but would be interested in hosting us in August of 2019. Afterwards, WADGA members could vote whether to ask Medina to join our association in 2020 or not.
- Wooster Country Club may be interested in hosting us in 2019 but are not sure about joining our association. Jan will pursue additional conversations with their Pro Shop personnel and will report back at the Spring Representatives Meeting.
- Firestone Country Club does not have a LGA and is not interested in hosting.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Natalie Weinsz asked the Representatives to announce their Ladies Club Champion. They are as follows:

Alliance CC – Diane Rubin-Schuld	Ohio Prestwick CC – Debbie Johns
Brookside CC – Alison Cress	Portage CC – Olivia Hochschwender
Congress Lake CC – Gail Hackett	Rosemont CC – NA
Fairlawn CC – Pam Wharton (post meeting)	Shady Hollow – Bobby Metzger
Fox Meadow – Renee Dietz	Silver Lake – MaryAnn Miano
Country Club of Hudson – Carol Mikolay	Westfield CC – RoseMarie Torma

- Natalie asked that when the Representatives host their Play Day in 2019 to please announce of all the names and positions of the club employees who have assisted in making their event a success. It is more personal and appropriate.

- 2019 Play Day Schedule was reviewed and tweaked from what was submitted. We will await confirmation from Medina and Wooster Country Clubs before finalizing. Tentatively, the schedule is as follows until confirmation from Portage, Westfield, Medina and Wooster Country Clubs:
 - Friday, May 31st – Shady Hollow – Opening Day
 - Friday, June 14th – Silver Lake
 - Friday, June 21st – Fairlawn
 - Wednesday, June 26th – Portage
 - Friday, July 19th – Ohio Prestwick
 - Friday, July 26th – Alliance
 - Friday, August 2nd – Medina
 - Friday, August 9th – Rosemont
 - Sunday, August 18, Tuesday, August 20th, Wednesday, August 21st – Weymouth CHAMPIONSHIP
 - Wednesday, September 4th – Westfield
- Standing Rule Changes Proposed for 2019 – A proposed amendment to WADGA’s Standing Rules concerning measuring devices follows the current USGA rules.

Measuring Devices: Distance Measuring Devices are allowed during play. It is your equipment and the sharing of it is at your discretion. A player may use a device that contains prohibited functions provided these specific functions are not accessed by the player during the stipulated round. Such prohibited functions include, but not limited to:

 - the gauging of measuring slope
 - the gauging or measuring of other conditions that might affect play (eg., wind, speed or direction)
 - the gauging or measuring of a player’s physical or mental state, such as heart rate
 - recommendations that might assist the player in making a stroke or in his/her play (eg., club selection, type of shot to be played, green reading or any other advice-related matter)
 - calculating the effective distance between two points based on elevation changes or other conditions affecting that distance

In 2019, there will be many changes to the USGA rules. Visit the USGA website for snippet videos.

TOURNAMENT CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT: Gail Hackett reported on the following:

- Please turn in your WADGA Representative’s Folder.
- During the 11 Play Days, the pace of play greatly improved.

- There was only one rain-out event that had to be rescheduled. She recommended continuing with the policy of weather or course cancelations by 6:30 AM. Please have a back-up plan of reporting these changes to our players if you are not going to be playing that event yourself.
- The mid-season team event played at Shady Hollow was well received and recommended to be including in next year's schedule.
- Report of the Field chart, noting the number of players at each event and the number of contestants in each flight or handicap range, was handed out. (See submitted report.)
- 2018 WADGA Prize Points by Event Report was passed out. A total of 1,047 points were awarded of which 675 points went to winners and 372 points went to participants.
- Gail reminded everyone that they are to check their own scorecard hole by hole and confirm what is recorded with the scorer to verify its accuracy.

OLD BUSINESS: Natalie thanked Cheri Gilbert for posting weekly winners on the WADGA website and making updates as she saw fit. We need one of our 100 members to be our historian who can take photos and update the Flickr account.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Nominating Committee, composed of Ann Hunt, Natalie Weinsz and Jan Coleman, presented the new slate of officers:
 - President – Gail Hackett – 2 years
 - Vice President – Renee Dietz – 1 year
 - Tournament Chairperson – Doreen Smith – 2 years
 - Treasurer – Linda Clancy – 1 year
 - Secretary – Janet Kaboth – 1 year
 - Past President – Natalie Weinsz – 1 year

There was a motion by Ann Hunt to approve this slate as submitted. Seconded by Carol Mikolay. All were in favor. The Nominating Committee for 2019 will be Natalie Weinsz, Cheri Gilbert and Martha Gannon. All were in favor of the formation of this committee with these members.

- Fall Executive Board Meeting – Friday, December 7th @ 11:30 AM location at Grinder's on Whipple Avenue
- Spring Representatives Meeting – Friday, May 3rd @ Congress Lake Club at 10 AM

The meeting was adjourned. Followed by lunch and golf.
Respectfully submitted by, Ann Hunt for Janet Kaboth, Secretary