



**Minutes of the General Representative Meeting
Of the Southern District Women's Golf Association of Arizona
of Tuesday, May 9, 2023**

The Meeting was held at Ventana Canyon Golf and Racquet Club
6200 N Club House Ln, Tucson, AZ 85750

Executive Committee Members present: Jo Helms, Sandra Hoffman, Alberta Teale, JC Thobe, Jan Rintala, Toni Graves.

Executive Committee Members not present: Lexie Kupers, Ellen Victor

Also present, Representatives of twenty Member Golf Clubs or their proxies.

The meeting was called to Order at 2:06pm by President Jo Helms.

Roll call was taken by Parliamentarian Jan Rintala; a quorum was established.

President Jo Helms greeted attendees.

1. Minutes of the General Representative Meeting of November 15, 2022, were presented by Secretary Toni Graves. A motion made by Connie Hiles, seconded by Julie Noonan to approve the Minutes; motion was carried unanimously.

2. Sheila Baize, acting on behalf of the Board, has secured all golf tournament contracts for 2024. A colored flyer was distributed to Reps for posting at Member Clubs. Locations and dates are as follows:

Fall Partners, November 13 and 14, 2023 [previously booked]

El Conquistador Golf Club

Format - Four Ball with Stableford Scoring

Winter Scotch, February 19, 2024
The Preserve Golf Club at SaddleBrooke
Format - Chapman Scotch

Spring Partners, May 13 and 14, 2024
Tubac Golf Resort and Spa
Format - Four Ball

Fall Partners, November 18 and 19, 2024
Oro Valley Country Club
Format - Four Ball with Stableford Scoring

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. The SDWGA welcomes unaffiliated members; application forms and information are posted on the SDWGA.com website. Treasurer Lexie Kupers is available to answer any questions you may have at sdwgaexcomm@gmail.com
2. Duties of Representatives document has been amended to state registration information be available eight weeks prior to the first day of each Tournament, and first day of registration will commence six weeks prior to the first day of each Tournament.
3. Standing Rules 8 L (2) has been changed from the Tournament Committee approving refunds to the Executive Committee.
4. The Executive Board of SDWGA makes every effort to select a golf course that measures between 5100 and 5500 yards. The Executive Committee is researching the options for potentially using different tees for different flights and may form a task force to gather input from the membership regarding this very complex issue. There are many components to this, such as: how to handle Overall Gross/Net winners when there are different tees being used; [could we] eliminate Overall winners and use that money to award more flight winners; how to handle different tees between partners, etc. Our goal is to make the length of the course enjoyable for all levels of play.

NEW OFFICERS

Terri Burchett thanked her Nominations Committee for their assistance in presenting two nominees for open Board positions:

Lisa Smego, Vice President

Toni Graves, Secretary (current and returning)

J.C. Thobe moved and Jan Rintala seconded that the Board positions be approved as presented. The motion passed unanimously; the two year terms will begin immediately. As a result of this vote, Toni Graves' name will be added to the SDWGA Chase Checking Account, replacing the previous Secretary/signatory Terri Burchett.

General Comments. It was asked if host Clubs might be required to refrain from punching greens just prior to the start of any Tournament. Sheila Baize responded saying these contracts are signed up to 18 months in advance of the event so the golf courses do not have their maintenance schedules set that far ahead and don't know what to avoid with the dates of our events. When we were notified about this situation here at Ventana, we did push back as much as we could, but they didn't change their schedule due to their constraints. Keep in mind that although it wasn't ideal, we all played under the same conditions.

The next General Representative Meeting will take place after the second day of Fall Partner's Tournament play on November 14, 2023, at El Conquistador Golf Club.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:28pm, after which Alberta Teale announced the Tournament winners.

Respectfully submitted,
Toni Graves, Secretary
Southern District Women's Golf Association of Arizona