



**Minutes of the Special Executive Board Meeting  
Of the Southern District Women's Golf Association of Arizona  
of Monday, September 25, 2023**

The Special Meeting was held at  
Rusty's Family Restaurant and Sports Grill  
2075 W Grant Rd, Tucson, AZ 85718

Executive Committee Members present: Jo Helms, Lisa Smego, Lexie Kupers,  
Alberta Teale, Toni Graves

Also present, Non-Voting Members, Sandra Hoffman, Ellen Victor, Jan Rintala,  
JC Thobe

The meeting was called to Order at 11:28am by President Jo Helms.

**I. Welcome.** Jo welcomed the Members. Roll call was taken, a quorum was established.

**II. Approve April 17 Executive Meeting Minutes (Toni Graves)** Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting of April 17, 2023, were presented. JC moved, Lexie seconded that the Minutes be approved; the motion carried.

**III. Review Action Items from April 17 Exec Meeting (Jo)** Two Action Items remain open:

1. Toni - Contact Joannie Kaylor at Dorado to find out why they have zero SDWGA memberships this year. There was no response by Ms. Kaylor.
2. Jo - Contact 49ers organization to find out why they have zero SDWGA memberships this year. There was no response to efforts to contact.

**IV. Financial Report (Lexie Kupers)** The Financial Report was presented. JC moved, Alberta seconded that the Report be approved; the motion carried.

**V. Review Membership Status (Lexie)** The Board decided that a player from another Arizona District (Central or Northern) would be allowed to join Southern District in order to be eligible to submit a registration form for our tournaments. To clarify further, Jan Rintala will revise Standing Rules to read that registrants must be SDWGA members on the Opening Day of Registration, rather than on Opening Day of Tournament. It was moved and seconded that the Standing Rules be changed to reflect this change; the motion carried.

**VI. Update on Fall Partners at El Con (Lisa)** Lisa and Alberta reviewed the El Con course and preliminary Event Contract with personnel from El Con; because of overseed scheduling, the tournament will be played from red tees on LaCanada course both days. One of the par fives is extremely long; modifying the length is under consideration. Lisa would like the final Contract to allow 120 players for golf and Mexican buffet, plus four (4) complimentary carts and five (5) complimentary lunches for the rules officials and tournament director (no cart).

**Other.** Playing music during SD golf tournaments was discussed. Lisa moved and JC seconded that the Terms of Competition be amended to include Local Model Rule G8, which forbids playing of music. The motion carried.

## **VII. OLD BUSINESS.**

### **a. Review Players playing from different tees**

i. Allowing play from different tees (usually desired by long-hitters) during SD tournaments was discussed at length. Management of such a system would include a variety of options, most based on handicap, and most impractical (another play date, etc.).

ii. Though many options were mentioned, the topic was unanimously tabled until the more discontented players are willing to at least participate in a board discussion.

## **VIII. NEW BUSINESS.**

**a. Agenda for November 14 Rep Meeting.** Agenda will be developed by Jo. Jo will distribute a draft of the Agenda to the Executive Committee for their review and then to Toni for distribution to the Reps. Routine items of roll call, Minutes of 4/17/23, Treasurer's Report items will be followed by the VP's Report including 2024 schedule, and news on the 2025 schedule. Jo will discuss Course lengths and possible varied tees. Jan will discuss the Standing Rules change and ByLaws Change and oversee the vote.

**b. Possible 2025 Venues (all).** Lisa reported she has a signed contract with Omni Tucson National for our spring event in May 2025; \$170pp.

**c. Possible Dues Increase?** The discussion was shorter than expected. The Board immediately moved and seconded that dues be increased to \$15 for 2025; motion passed.

Jan proposed to change the By-Law Wording of XI.2 to eliminate a specific dollar amount for Membership Fees. She will send her exact wording to Jo, and then Toni will distribute to Reps within the required notice time, for voting on 11/14/23.

**d. Slow Play (Alberta)** Sarah Hoffman understands that slow players affect Tournament satisfaction and agreed to more aggressively enforce the Terms of Competition; players will now be penalized after one warning.

**IX. Next Meeting.** The next Executive Board Meeting will be held on April 15, 2023, 11:15am at Rusty's Family Restaurant.

The Meeting was adjourned at 1:45pm.

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

Outstanding Action Items:

1. Toni - Contact Joannie Kaylor at Dorado to find out why they have zero SDWGA memberships this year.
2. Jo - Contact 49ers organization to find out why they have zero SDWGA memberships this year.
3. Toni - Reserve a room at Rusty's for the next meeting on April 1, 2024, 11:15am.
4. Jan - Revise the Standing Rules (eligibility based on Membership timing), ByLaws (membership fee amount decided by Executive Board) and Terms of Competition (no music and slow play enforcement), and distribute Notice to Reps before the vote to approve (ByLaws change) on November 14, 2023.
6. Jo - Compile 11/14 Meeting Agenda.