



# KANSAS WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

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## **REGIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETINGS March 6, 2008 – Leavenworth Country Club – Lansing, KS**

The 2008 Spring KWGA's Board of Director's Meetings were conducted at two regions:  
Flint Hills – Leavenworth Country Club in Lansing  
Little Balkans – Independence Country Club in Independence  
(Western Prairie – Previously canceled due to low turnout)

For the morning session, each region held the following agenda and seminars:  
Welcome and Introductions

KWGA President's Clinic and KWGA News

USGA Rules of Golf Seminar by Guest Speaker

Lansing: Mark Passey – USGA Regional Director

Independence: Natasha Fife – KWGA GHIN Co-Chair

Women and Golf by Guest Speaker:

Lansing: Jacque Madison – Asst. Golf Pro, Manhattan CC

Independence: Walter Hopper – South Central PGA,  
Junior/Tournament Director

(Business Minutes for Independence meeting to follow Lansing report)

## **BUSINESS MEETING (Following lunch) at Leavenworth CC**

President Denise Desilet called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. She welcomed the participants and thanked our guest speakers for their outstanding presentations: Mark Passey – USGA Regional Director and Jacque Madison – Asst. Golf Professional at Manhattan CC. She recognized Past KWGA Presidents: MaryLou Diffenbaugh from Leavenworth CC and Karen Exon from Topeka CC. Secretary Sherrie Wynkoop announces a quorum and asked for corrections or changes to the Fall 2007 Board of Director's minutes. A motion was made by Karen Exon who accepted the minutes as presented. Becky Inks seconded. Motion carried.

## **REPORTS BY OFFICERS**

### **PRESIDENT (Denise Desilet)**

Much of the success of KWGA is a direct result of the work and commitment of volunteers like yourself who want to give back to the game you love. My thanks to you for all you do for women's golf in Kansas.

If you have had a chance to review the agenda for today you may have noticed a number of new ladies who are now serving on the KWGA Executive Board. They bring with them fresh new ideas and talents to better serve you. This board provides a real cross section of representation from east to west and north to south.

Over the winter months I finalized two service agreements with the USGA on behalf of Kansas Women's Golf Association.

First, I renewed our contract with Golf Handicap and Information Network (GHIN) which is a service of the USGA. This new contract will allow us to utilize their services so that we may provide to our member clubs handicapping services from January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2010.

Second, the USGA has granted our association the right and license to continue to use the USGA Course Rating System as a means for determining USGA Course Ratings and Slope Ratings for our member clubs. This agreement commenced on January 1, 2008 and is in effect through December 31, 2011.

Your continued support and help with providing a strong and vibrant state golf association to our members is appreciated.

If I can be of help to you or your ladies' golf association, please give me a call, I will be happy to assist you in anyway that I can.

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your president. I look forward to seeing you at our state championships. Have a wonderful and successful golf season.

### **VICE PRESIDENT (Judy Morris – Presented in Independence)**

Reported by Karen Exon:

Since our Fall meeting, we have awarded 13 hole-in-one awards to:

- 8-3-07 Becky Shirley (Hays) on #18 (92 yds/Gap wedge) @ Smoky Hill CC
- 8-3-07 Gretta Hoffman (Hays) on #18 (92 yds/8 iron) @ Smoky Hill CC
- 8-15-07 Cindy Munsch (Hays) on #4 (154 yds/5 wd) @ Smoky Hill CC
- 8-30-07 Karen Loudon (Lawrence) on #18 (145 yds/6 iron) @ Tomahawk Hills GC

9-4-07 Velda D. Jacobs (Topeka) on #16 (109 yds/9 wd) @ Water Chase, Ft Worth, TX  
 9-11-07 Velda D. Jacobs (Topeka) on #15 (109 yds/4 hybrid) @ Lake Shawnee GC  
 9-22-07 Lee Ann Penick (Hutchinson) on #12 (109 yds/PW) @ Cottonwood Hills GC  
 9-28-07 Barbara Livergood (Topeka) on #7 (125 yds/6 iron) @ Berkshire GC  
 10-1-07 Genny Heisler (Independence) on #4 (116 yds/7 iron) @ Coves GC, Afton, OK  
 10-3-07 Jerrie Loader (Clay Center) on #2 (133 yds/5 hybrid) @ Clay Center CC  
 10-9-07 Sandy Preston (Manhattan) on #10 (112 yds/8 iron) @ Manhattan CC  
 10-13-07 Randee Stegman (Holcomb) on #4 (172 yds/7 wood) @ Buffalo Dunes GC  
 11-18-07 Barbara Ford-Buell (Wichita) on #11 (80 yds/9 iron) @ Tallgrass CC

Please note that one of our members, Velda Jacobs, had **TWO** holes-in-one within a one week period (9/4/07 & 9/11/07). Her accompanying note says the following:

“A good golfing friend reminded me that KWGA has a Hole-In-One form. I had forgotten about it. I have seen it in the Golf Bag many times; just never thought I would ever fill one out!

After 27 years, I had the first one in Ft. Worth at Water Chase. Our daughter had to work, and this course is about 15 minutes from her house. So we drove over to the course that afternoon! What an awesome experience!!

What is more unbelievable, the following Tuesday at Lake Shawnee in Topeka during the Ladies League that morning, I experience my second Hole-In-One. I relived these 2 events many times...”

A poignant reminder of how much golf can contribute to joy in our lives. Congratulations to all of our Hole-In-One achievers!

Our membership has decreased by the loss of 1 of our members

Marian Reimer                      Carey Park GC                      Hutchinson, KS

Marian Reimer served as KWGA President from 1966 – 1970. At that time, she was married to Arthur McDaniel. After the death of Mr. McDaniel, she married Ernest Reimer.

I have not received notification of any new honorary members at this time.

As chair of the Long Range Committee, I will give a report later during this meeting.

### **SECRETARY (Sherrie Wynkoop)**

I am excited and very honored to be your newly elected Secretary and look forward to getting to know each of you and working with the KWGA staff.

As of Sunday (3/2/08), I have received 92 updates from returned Member Club Officer forms provided to all the member clubs last fall. Of the 155 Total Member Clubs, I haven't received 63 updates. I'd like to thank everyone who has sent them in and would

like to encourage every member club to return this information as soon as possible so that we can maintain our communication with your club and keep you up-to-date and informed of all our KWGA events and activities.

**TREASURER (Lois Thompson)**

Reported by President Denise Desilet:

This spring there are three sets of financial reports for you to review. Last Fall the board determined that, if possible, KWGA would change its fiscal year from November 1<sup>st</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup> to January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>, thereby allowing income and expenditures from all tournaments to show up in the appropriate fiscal year. The KWGA Accountant, Gale R. Anderson of Anderson & Eldridge, PA, advised that we file income taxes again for November and December of 2007 to accomplish the change. Income taxes for both fiscal years 2006 and 2007 have been filed.

For fiscal year 2006 (November 1, 2006 through October 31, 2007), the Balance Sheet shows assets equaling liabilities and equity at \$52,607.78 while the Profit and Loss Statement reflects income of \$156,013.19 and expenses of \$143,820.71. Income less expenses shows a gain of \$12,192.48.

To accommodate the change in fiscal years, Fiscal year 2007 (November 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007) shows assets equaling liabilities and equity at \$52,760.40 and the Profit and Loss Statement shows income of \$4,099.12 with expenses of \$3,946.50 for an overall gain of \$152.62.

Fiscal Year 2008 (January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008), includes our new year to date figures. The Balance Sheet shows assets equaling liabilities and equity at \$47,284.32 and the Profit and Loss Statement indicates that KWGA has taken in \$3,662.98 and spent \$9,139.06 since January 1, 2008. The overall loss to date is a little more than usual with the publication of the Fall *Golfbag* just after the beginning of our new fiscal year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for allowing me to serve as your KWGA Secretary and then Treasurer. I have really enjoyed being part of the KWGA Board of Directors and getting to know so many of you. I am sorry that I must resign my position due to family health and hope that I see you all soon on the golf course. I will miss you.

**HANDICAP DIRECTOR (Jayne Clarke – not present)**

(Covered in the morning seminar) Reported by Lis Ballou:

1. Completed the transfer of all handicap records
2. Prepared Spring Packet for Club Handicap Chairman
  - a. Handicap Chairman Duties/Letter (Web)
  - b. 2008 Handicap Calendar (Web)
  - c. Handicap Chairman Contact information (Web)
  - d. Low Net Winner (Web)

- e. Hole-in-One form (Web)
  - f. Summary of Handicap Changes
  - g. The USGA Handicap System 2008 – 2011
  - h. The USGA Handicap System Reference Guide
3. Re-License period begins 2008 – 2011
    - a. Requested a copy of the USGA handicap seminar presentation for purposes of re-licensing clubs.
    - b. Will be updating with our info
    - c. Will be getting USGA approval
    - d. First presentation scheduled for Fall Meeting 2008
    - e. Additional presentations for 2009
    - f. Goal of re-licensing clubs by end of 2009
  4. Requested USGA handicap seminar presentation by USGA for Spring 2009
    - a. Asked to do in conjunction with our spring meeting
    - b. If granted, we may want to consider a single site meeting
  5. Ordered two pamphlets for distribution and sale to membership
    - a. The USGA Handicap System Reference Guide (the old Snoopy guide)
    - b. The USGA Handicap System in Brief (summary of the basics)
  6. Reviewed and Summarized changes in the handicap system
    - a. Updating handicaps in the inactive season
      - i. KWGA board discussion and consideration
      - ii. Report on findings
  7. Golf Digest Most Improved Golfer – Kansas
    - a. Verified the most improved golfers that are on the GHIN systems licensed by KWGA
      - i. 2 categories for Men (High and low handicapper)
      - ii. 1 category for Women (said it was difficulty getting enough women)
      - iii. 1 junior category (not enough space for a girl and boy category)
  8. Golf Bag Info
    - a. Article on re-licensing of clubs; include notice of fall meeting presentation
    - b. Tips for handicap chairman
      - i. Encourage posting of 9 holes scores
      - ii. Explain adjusting scores for posting
      - iii. GHIN index converting to course handicap
  9. Developing Handicap Chairman database
    - a. Try to do some periodic updates throughout season

### **TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR (Donna McDaniel)**

During the off-season, I contacted and negotiated budgets with this years championship sites. All the contracts are current to date. I also revised the site chair manuals to update and reflect fall meeting changes.

I contacted the clubs for the 2009 and 2010 golf seasons to confirm their hosting KWGA events and confirming Pinnacle Club Rotation. We do not have a confirmed location for the 2009 Senior Championship. I have been in contact with a Country Club and am

writing a proposal which they asked for to present to their Board of Director's. The phone call was encouraging.

The 2009 Amateur is being hosted by Highlands Country Club, Hutchinson. The Tee-Fore-Two will be hosted by Smoky Hill Country Club, Hays.

I contacted Sterling Cut Glass to get this year's catalog & prices. I chose the awards within our price range and sent them to the tournament committee to vote on. The Glendale Vase is our award for 2008.

I conducted on-line Tournament Committee discussions. Details will be in the Tournament Committee report.

Changes to tournaments for 2008 were sent to the Golf Bag, KWGA website & put in the President's packets.

Because of the down-sizing of the Golf Bag, the championship entry forms and conditions of competition were sent to the website & put in the President's packets to copy for their membership. It is important to note that both sides of the entry forms should be copied on one sheet (front & back). The conditions of competition are still being printed in the Golf Bag.

The entry forms and conditions of competition will have a slightly new look. They were edited for recent changes and uniformity by Karen Exon and myself.

These are the venues for the 2008 championship season:

Senior/Super Senior:

June (9) 10-11, Emporia Municipal GC, Emporia

Open: May 6                      Close: May 20

Site Chair: Diana Solis

Match Play:

June (19) 20-22, Terradyne CC, Andover

Open: May 16                      Close: May 30

No Site Chair

Amateur/Open:

July (14) 15-17, Leavenworth CC, Lansing

Open: June 10                      Close: June 24

Site Chair: Mary Lou Deffenbaugh

Tee-Fore-Two:

August (11) 12-14, Crestwood CC, Pittsburg

Open: July 8                      Close: July 22

Site Chair: Kathy Mussat      Asst Site Chair: Becky Bruder

### **ASSISTANT TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR (Betty Cooper)**

I assumed the duties of Assistant Tournament Director after the 2007 Fall Director's Meeting. I have loaded the TPP Program onto my computer and have been learning how to use it. I will be attending the USGA Rules Workshop in Englewood, Colorado March 16 -19. I have participated in online discussions regarding tournaments, rules and prizes. I am looking forward to the 2008 Tournament season and all of the lessons I will learn from Donna.

### **STAFF REPORTS**

#### **MEMBERSHIP CHAIR (Pat Schroeder not present)**

Presented by Karen Exon:

At the end of 2007, the total paid membership was 155 clubs and 3,242 individual members. The individual members included 325 Honorary members and 42 Associates. We now have 154 clubs on our roster. Junction City Country Club closed as of March 1<sup>st</sup>. Hopefully the ladies who played there will be able to form a group and play at Rolling Meadows. At the time of this writing 107 clubs have paid their club dues, leaving 47 clubs who have not yet paid in 2008.

Individual memberships have not yet begun to come in. However, last fall one Mother sent in a check for \$10.00 for her daughter's Associate membership, not knowing that the father had already replaced the check that was lost. She asked that the amount be applied to this year's membership, even though I told her I was not yet sure of the amount.

Income thus far has been \$1070 for club dues and \$10.00 toward one Associate membership.

Expenses-none thus far

#### **COURSE RATING CHAIR (Mary Ozment not present)**

Presented by Denise Desilet:

The KWGA Course Rating teams will rate eleven (11) courses this golf season. The courses are: Stagg Hill GC-Manhattan; Manhattan CC-Manhattan; Rolling Hills CC-Wichita; Council Grove CC-Council Grove (9-hole course); Winfield CC-Winfield. We will rate five (5) in the spring and six (6) in the fall.

The course rating chairpersonship has undergone a huge change. Natasha Fife has stepped down after many dedicated years as the chairperson. Mary Ozment has stepped into this role albeit with some trepidation of the big shoes to fill.

It is with a degree of sadness that we must report the Junction City CC Ladies Association has disbanded. The Country Club and course are closing. We will be

working with other courses to see if we can assist these ladies to remain within the fold. We will remove this facility from the rating schedule.

I would like to thank the ladies currently on the teams for their time and energy: Pat Bruenger, Pat Schroeder, Jean Domann, Terry Chesnut, Rosalie Goebel, Marilyn Linn, Natasha Fife, Peggy Anderson, Rose Morin and Marcia Roets.

I would also like to thank the Ladies Golf Associations and the clubs for their quick response to my letter and the wonderful reception the teams receive. The clubs always provide the teams with golf carts and the Ladies Golf Association provides lunch.

### **GOLF BAG EDITOR (Karen Exon)**

Since our fall meeting, we have produced the “fall” 2007 *Golfbag* issue which realistically was a “winter” 2007-2008 issue owing to a litany of problems with reformatting and resizing of the *Golfbag* to accommodate the less expensive bulk mail postage costs. We continue to make improvements to layout; quality of advertisements; and information about championships, special events, junior golf, and the letter from the President about the state of KWGA and these and have been well received by our members. Incorporation of corresponding pictures to those events was not possible for the fall *Golfbag* owing to size limitations and my inheritance of an advertising procedure that, in my opinion, allowed for a disproportionately large number of ads in too many and random sizes.

Thanks for the email discussion about the topic of whether or not to e-journal. General consensus was to continue paper publication and mailing of the *Golfbag* because the *Golfbag* is a service and a tangible, visible marketing device that is still affordable. I will try to pilot a mid-summer and January E-Newsletter as well.

For 2008, I have adopted a new advertisement policy which offers three sizes of ads and advertisers the opportunity to advertise in spring, fall, or both spring and fall issues. The policy requires that messages are issue-specific. Finally pricing policy provides a modest price break for advertisement by KWGA members. Myrna Taunton should post those specifications on our website in the near future.

The spring *Golfbag* compilation is underway. New for this year is that because of re-sizing we can no longer print entry forms. This information about upcoming KWGA championships and events will be provided in article-form (e.g., welcomes, lodging, schedule of events, information about the course, and event-specific conditions of competitions). Articles about *The Rules of Golf/Decisions* revision and Amateur Status will be included. Likewise an article is planned about the new course, Cottonwood Hills. In this way I am working to balance articles that report the business of KWGA and a more journalistic approach which provides articles of interest for females and golf in Kansas.

Thanks to Darlene Allen for her work on the front and back cover pictures for the fall 2007 and spring 2008 *Golfbags*. And finally if you want to insert information for the spring *Golfbag*, let me know ASAP.

**JUNIOR GOLF CO-CHAIR (Barb Gourlay/Nancy Isaac not present)**

Presented Denise Desilet:

This year the Junior Girls Program has implemented another two-day tournament into the schedule. Penny had been in correspondence with several college coaches and they all preferred to see two day scores with lengths of over 5800 yards. We have some great venues for the girls this year. We start with the adult/junior at Alvamar Golf Club in Lawrence.. Our season opener is again at Prairie Trails, El Dorado, where we have been treated extremely well over the years. The following week we play our two-day tournament at Stagg Hill in Manhattan. The Junior State Championship will be held at Salina Country Club, and our Tournament of Champions will be at Cottonwood Hills Golf Club in Hutchinson.

We are trying to find venues and dates for two more one day tournament, one for the first week of July and the second for the 4<sup>th</sup> week of July.

Last year Penny and I found a decline in participation at most tournaments. We unfortunately had to cancel one tournament in Chanute due to low numbers. Again this year, we will be sending letters and schedules to the golf professionals and to high school golf coaches. Email blitzes to our junior members for reminders is also an important part of marketing to our juniors. If anyone has any ideas for trying to increase our junior membership numbers, it would be appreciated.

**SPECIAL EVENTS CHAIR (Lis Ballou)**

Last year we added another new position – Assistant Special Events Chair, and that was perfectly filled by Velvet Shogren from Hesston, who added new perspectives to Special Events.

This year we will continue our 1-Day Tournament Series spread around the state, but scaled back to 3 tournaments instead of 4 since this is a transition year. The tournaments are set at 3 popular KWGA venues: Hesston, Lake Shawnee in Topeka, and Smoky Hill CC in Hays.

We haven't yet finalized specific "Women's Golf Week" events although the Stagg Hill GC in Manhattan (with Marcia Roets's efforts) has met goals of that event beautifully for the past two years. Women's Golf Week is now American Express Women's Golf Month, and your input would be appreciated so that we can help this event accomplish the maximum benefit for women's golf. We have a 1-Day Tournament, the Senior/Super-Senior Championship, and the Match Play Championship scheduled for the month of June. Perhaps we can incorporate some "Women's Golf Month" activities into these events.

The Fore State Championship will be held at Southern Hills CC this year on August 10-12—a sign that this regional tournament has definitely "ARRIVED". I know interest will be high in this event. Unfortunately, there is a conflict with our very popular T-4-2

Championship. We always attempt (and sometimes succeed) in avoiding date conflicts. Kansas will be the host in 2009 or 2010. We have approached Prairie Dunes about hosting the tournament in 2009 and will inform you as soon as we know their position.

Please remember that Special Events are not just tournaments and that they can be more than Kansas-only events.

**SCHOLARSHIP CHAIR (Bev Hickey – not present)**

Presented by Karen Exon:

Our deadline for 2008 scholarship applications is March 15<sup>th</sup>. As of this time, we have received no applications. I have talked to Penny Hickman and emailed the names she suggested.

The girls must have played in a Junior Championship or a State Amateur. This seems to limit our applications. As I understand, there has been at least one year where no scholarship was awarded. Hopefully that won't happen this year.

We will try and be a little more aggressive in contacting the girls that play in the above mentioned tournaments and also at all of the Junior Tournaments. If you know of any girls that might be eligible please encourage them to apply.

Qualification for Scholarship Applications:

Applicant must be female at birth, a Kansas resident and a graduate or impending graduate (in the year of application) of a Kansas high school. She must have participated in at least one KWGA Junior Girls Championship or State Amateur Championship and she must attend an accredited public or private collegiate institution on the next academic scholarship. This scholarship is not restricted to junior golfers.

The Scholarship information/application is available at [www.KWGA.org](http://www.KWGA.org). Remember applications must be postmarked by March 15, 2008 and will be reviewed by the selection committee after April 1<sup>st</sup>. Presentation of the award will be made at the KWGA Amateur Tournament. Submit to: Bev Hickey, KWGA Scholarship Chair, 130 S. Arcadia, Wichita, KS 67209, 316-722-2994.

**PHOTOGRAPHY COORDINATOR (Darlene Allen – not present)**

Report read by Karen Exon

Photos taken of the events are being posted on the KWGA website. I did complete slide show presentations for T-4-2 and the Senior/Super Senior that can be viewed by using a link on the KWGA website.

**KWGA/GHIN CO-ADMINISTRATORS (Natasha Fife/Sara Lomax – not present)**

Report presented by Natasha Fife:

Remember that all women's golf associations using KWGA GHIN will not receive any paper revisions from GHIN. This includes clubs using computers as well as the paper clubs.

In order for these clubs to get reports they will need to use **GHINclub.net**. Be sure to get the hand-out with the procedures before you leave today.

**AND** remember that this web site is **ONLY** for the individual responsible for the KWGA GHIN Handicap service at your club. This is a web site where you can get reports, make changes on individual golfers, and post scores at your **HOME**. It is not a web site for everyone!

► eClubhouse, another GHIN service available to member clubs, is a web site for your golf club (women's association). **THIS SERVICE IS FREE**. There is no cost to KWGA or individuals. The following things are what the administrator will be able to do:

1. Insert a "Main Article/News"
2. Photo Album
3. Insert all the events your women's association is having throughout the year
4. Add tournament events, invitationals scheduled within the area and across the state
5. Section to notify the women golfers about "Upcoming" events
6. Player Maintenance
7. Email Broadcasting
8. Keep track of your golf statistics under "My Game"

Natasha is in the process of assisting the Women's Golf Association of Wichita in setting up their site, WGAW. This will be a site for the individual clubs (not individual members) and will be a place to view upcoming events and dates, team play dates and results, and the WGAW President will be able to send emails to the presidents of each club.

If your club is interested in eClubhouse please contact Natasha.

► **GHIN.com Modification –**

Any one logging onto GHIN.com will not see the "Complete" view when requesting a record by a GHIN number, but only the "General" view by any other means. This simply means that if I want to find someone's Handicap Index I can do it by the state she lives in and her name. And you will note that in all GHIN services your GHIN number is not seen unless you have typed it in.

► **Revision Dates**

Beginning this year all Revision Dates will be the first (1<sup>st</sup>) and fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) of each month. Transmission deadline will be the day before each revision. You can print a revision schedule from kwga.org, Member Services, GHIN.

► **Billing Change**

This year payment of all GHIN Handicap invoices are due within 45 days of the invoice date unless a previous arrangement is made with Sara. Any invoices not paid by the club risks having their GHIN Handicaps inactivated. This change was caused by the increased number of clubs who do not pay in a timely manner.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **LONG RANGE COMMITTEE**

Reported by Karen Exon

The Long-Range Committee held a special meeting on Monday, March 3, 2008, for the specific purpose of discussing the Spring Regional Directors Meeting format. All existing KWGA Board and Staff members were invited to participate.

The current format, as set forth in our bylaws only covers the years of 2006, 2007, and 2008. Therefore, action is required by the KWGA Board and Staff to put forth a recommendation for discussion by the Directors at these upcoming Spring meetings as to procedures for 2009 and beyond.

This is a long-range planning issue and should be addressed by the Long-Range Planning Committee, as well as by the Executive Board and Staff. However, this is an issue that is of such significance that full and complete discussion should be held, and the meeting time on Tuesday would not assure sufficient time. Additionally, due to changes in the Executive Board and Staff, the current makeup of the KWGA Long-Range Planning Committee consists of Karen Exon, Denise Desilet, and myself.

Some questions addressed and discussed were:

1. Do we want to continue with regional Spring meetings in 3 locations?
2. Do we want to continue with regional Spring meetings but limit them to 2 locations?
3. Do we want to continue the same format of representation at the meetings?
4. How many members shall constitute a quorum? (Article XII)
5. Should we make any changes to the number of delegates a club is entitled to based upon its membership numbers? (Article X)
6. Shall we continue to hold our meetings during the day on a Thursday or should we schedule one or more meetings for an evening or weekend?
7. How many regular meetings should we have each year?

The focus of our meeting Monday night was on the above questions, but there are obviously many more areas which can and should be addressed by the Long-Range Planning Committee this year. Among them are to:

- Grow our membership
- Help our member clubs
- Encourage new golfers
- Enhance communication with members and raise awareness of KWGA
- Build relationships with other state/regional organizations

I am hopeful that all of our Board and Staff members will share ideas, suggestions, concerns, and topics for consideration by the committee relating to KWGA and its future with me personally and/or another member of our Long Range Planning Committee. I also believe that by interacting with our members (and other golfers) throughout the year, each of you will have the opportunity to gain insight into their needs and desires, and then together as a Board and Staff we can continue to be responsive to and work to better serve women golfers.

#### TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Presented by Donna McDaniel

The Spring 2008 Tournament Committee meeting was held at the Holiday Inn Express on March 3, 2008. Attending were Donna McDaniel, Betty Cooper, Denise Desilet, Judy Morris, Barb Gourlay, and Lis Ballou.

1. It was decided that we would NOT implement the 10 score minimum posting requirement for the championships.
2. Fore State selection will NOT require a 10 score minimum posting requirement.
3. We decided that we should still send paper copies of our entry forms out to the membership in the President's packets. They should be copied (front & back on same sheet) by the club president and posted in the women's room so they are available to the club membership.
4. The updated Pace of Play Policy was approved.
5. Because of increasing entry numbers and concerns with slow play, we had a discussion about multiple courses being played simultaneously for the Tee-Fore-Two. It was tabled for further discussion.
6. We discussed having an intern for Jr Golf. Ashley Norris has volunteered to be our intern for the 2008 season.
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Tee-Fore-Two - It was discussed at the 2007 Fall meeting that all the trophies looked the same every year. Donna McDaniel will look into changes and present them at the BOD Fall meeting.

### **AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT**

Reported by Karen Exon

The Audit Committee of Karen Exon, Lis Ballou, and Jayne Clarke reviewed the KWGA Treasurer's records for November-December 2006 and 2007 (transition to a fiscal year concurrent with the calendar year requires this audit to encompass 14 months). The special accounts of Scholarship, Tournament Director, Junior Golf, Special Events, and Supplies were randomly reviewed.

We found the Treasurer's books and records to be in order, but we recommend that each special account holder completely reconcile each month all expenses and accounts with the KWGA Treasurer. In specific, expenses for personal reimbursement should be done on a month-by-month basis and completely receipted in order to receive reimbursement. Additionally, we see that in the aforementioned special accounts only one signature is in place. We recommend that the safe accounting procedure is to herewith require signature and countersignature for all drafts of these accounts (e.g., the account manager and KWGA President and/or KWGA Treasurer).

### **VOTING ISSUE**

Associate Member dues increase.

15 – In Favor (Includes 1 absentee ballot received at meeting)

0 – Against

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Appointment of 2008 Nomination Committee: Chair – Priscilla Lunkenheimer, Paula Routon, Lois Gray
- Appointment of new KWGA Board & Staff persons: Treasurer and Junior Golf Chair.
- Recommendations ready for action:

Future Spring Regional Meetings recommendation as follows:

The KWGA Board and Staff has made the following recommendation in the form of a motion to delete the language in the KWGA bylaws Article XII, Section 1 and replace it with the following:

The regular director's meeting shall be held on the first Friday in March and the first Friday in October.

As required by our bylaws, recommendations from the KWGA Board and Staff are announced at a KWGA director's meeting then laid over for discussion and consideration to put to vote at the next scheduled director's meeting. (In this case, at the 2008 Fall Director's Meeting)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Fall Director's Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 2, 2008 at Rolling Hills CC, Wichita.
- Rules of Golf Workshop presented by USGA Regional Director – Mark Passey on Wednesday, April 2, 2008 at Rolling Hills CC.
- Looking for volunteers for course rating
- Natasha Fife Scholarship - \$1200
- E-mail addresses of members
- If you know of any deceased KWGA members, please notify Judy Morris, VP.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting at Leavenworth was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

## **Minutes for KWGA Spring Director's Meeting (in Independence)**

(Provided by Barb Gourlay)

27 people in attendance

Judy Morris welcomed everyone to the meeting

Approval of the minutes from the fall meeting

Motion- Terry Chesnut

2<sup>nd</sup>- Jean Doman

Reports from the Executive and Board Meeting were read

Natasha Fife - GHIN, eclubhouse- see report

### **Unfinished Business**

- 1) Long Range Planning Committee requires volunteers and ideas
- 2) Tournament Committee – Judy read report
- 3) Audit Committee-
- 4) Reading of report for increase in associate dues  
In favor- 14  
Opposed-1

### **New Business**

- 1) Appointments announced-  
Vice President- Judy Morris  
Assistant Tournament Director- Betty Cooper
- 2) New Board and Staff- mentioned at beginning of day
- 3) Recommendations- change for the timing of the KWGA spring meeting- to be voted on at the KWGA fall meeting  
Discussion- members wanted to know the rational for the change to a Friday in the spring
  - A) numbers in Hays
  - B) due to the wording in the bylaws
  - C) 3 venues are too many
  - D) Fridays might entice members for a weekend getaway
  - E) Accessible to the large number of members who work
  - F) Vote for consideration: In Favor of the Friday meeting – 1  
Opposed-12, To keep Thursday- 14, Prefer Monday- 0

### **Announcements**

Fall Meeting- Thursday October 2, 2008

Rules Meeting- April 2, 2008

Meeting in Independence adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Desilet  
KWGA President

Sherrie Wynkoop  
KWGA Secretary

### **Final Results and Total votes on Associate Member dues increase:**

<b>Absentee Ballots</b>	<b>42 In Favor</b>	<b>9 Against</b>
<b>Independence</b>	<b>14 In Favor</b>	<b>1 Against</b>
<b>Leavenworth</b>	<b>15 In Favor</b>	<b>0 Against</b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>71 In Favor</b>	<b>10 Against</b>