

**The Villages Women's 18-Hole Golf Association Board Minutes
November 4, 2024**

Captain: Patti Bell

Patti called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Patti asked for a vote on changing our tee time to 9:00 a.m. during the Bunker Renovation Project. Kerry made the motion for the tee time change, and the motion was seconded by Janet. All were in favor, so the motion was passed unanimously.

Present: Patti Bell, Kerry Besmehn, Cindy Fuller, Camille Giuliiodibari, Janet Gonzales, Vicki Krattli, Gloria Landry, Janis LeCompte, Barbara Nilsen, Marky Olsen, Mazie Rice, Millie Anne Schwerin, Helen Varenkamp, and Mary Wagle.

October 7 Meeting Minutes: Mary Wagle- Mazie made a motion to approve the minutes, and the motion was seconded by Vicki. All were in favor, so the minutes are hereby approved.

Co-Captain Report: Helen Varenkamp- Helen had nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report: Gloria Landry- Gloria stated that our finances are in good shape. The year started with a checking account balance of \$5,570. Total income is \$10,647, and expenses are projected to be \$10,110, leaving a projected year-end balance of \$6,107. Gloria also reviewed the preliminary 2025 budget with some increases in certain categories. For the Pro Shop and Maintenance staff gift, Patti recommended two options. One, that we all bake cookies for them, and the second option is that we purchase Sees Candy for them. All were in favor of purchasing and gifting Sees Candy, so Patti will get the candy and Vicki will donate a coupon.

VGC Report: Janis LeCompte – The report is attached to these minutes. Janis discussed that there's an issue with having animals in carts during play, and the VGC voted 4 to 3 at their last meeting to allow leashed pets in carts during play. There was dissention about this issue. Therefore, Rob Howe, VGC Chair, asked that Janis take a vote, and our entire BOD voted that animals should not be allowed in golf carts during play unless they are service animals. The results will be taken to the VGC by Janis.

Playdays: Kerry Besmehn/Cindy Fuller- Kerry reported as follows:

2024 - January through October we had 2,502 players and paid \$3,099 in sweeps

2023 – January through October we had 2,289 players and paid \$3,040 in sweeps

There were 124 more players and \$59 more in sweeps paid year-over-year based on the above.

Tournaments: Camille Giuliiodibari/Millie Anne Schwerin- Millie Anne reported that Saturday golf on November 2 was successful, and lunch was held at Gazebo Park afterward at a cost of \$10 per person. It was decided to try to have the first Saturday tournament lunch in 2025 through the Clubhouse. Mary Wagle volunteered to run that particular tournament, as she has experience arranging events with the Food and Beverage Department. For the Turkey Shoot on November 21, play will be from the #1 tees, and the three flights will be paid a total of \$400.

Handicap: Janet Gonzales/Marky Olsen- Janet reported that she is working with the three womens' golf groups on 2025 NCGA billings. The Shonis are giving the 18 Hole Ladies a check for NCGA dues, and the Swingers will be paying for their Primary and Dual Members to NCGA.

Membership: Mazie Rice- Mazie said she's heard back from almost everyone about their membership status and playing tees. She said we will lose 10 members to the Swingers, and we will gain one member from the Swingers. Also, eight members will switch to Associate. This will bring the membership total to 111. Mazie said 57 of our members are going to play from the #2 tees, and 54 will play combo #2/#3 tees.

Rules: Vicki Krattli- at the General Meeting in November, Vicki will use mnemonic lettering to spell RESPECT. She will have some board members hold the letters and then present what each letter represents; i.e., R is for ready – ready golf always. She will also discuss scoring procedures, and simple processes for

keeping score correctly. Vicki said she will do a blast in January to discuss many common rules, and then every month she will present a "Rule of the Month" to membership.

Mediation: Barbara Nilsen- Barb said she is currently working on some methods to help with disputes. It will be recommended that players be more positive and more kind.

Old Business

Reports for the General Meeting on November 7- Patti reviewed the General Meeting Agenda. She will remove the sections titled Old Business and New Business.

Bocce Mixer- Kerry said that there were 15 players from the 18 Hole Ladies Club, and since we had the most players, we won by points. Although, we did not win a single match.

Holiday Play Day, Luncheon and Installation- Mary reported that she and Patti met with Albert Salcedo. The room layout, event times, and menu are set. Patti will give the food choices and associated costs to Vivian Brown so that the flyer may be prepared and distributed after the Turkey Shoot. Patti said that the Leyva School principal wants to come talk about where our contributions go, so Patti has suggested to have the principal come to speak at our lunch on January 9 or 16.

New Business

Membership from Oct 1 and beyond for new applicants- There was discussion brought up by Mazie on how to handle new members joining after October and how those members fit into our remaining events.

Define Associate Member Privileges- Mazie shared the Associate Membership description from the Swingers SOP's. It was recommended that we invite Associate Members to our lunches, especially in their birthday month so that they may be honored, and to also invite them to the upcoming Holiday Luncheon. Mazie will do this.

Saturday Tournament – Proposal for budget increase – There will be an increase of \$100.

Expenses- Millie Anne said that the cost for lunch after Saturday golf will be increased to \$15 in 2025.

9 Hole Mixer - Patti spoke with Gisele. It was decided that we will host one mixer and the Swingers will host one.

Action Items:

- Those BOD members who need trophies will speak with Inge McQuiddy ASAP.
- Patti will purchase Sees Candy for the Pro Shop and Maintenance staff as holiday gifts.
- Vicki will appoint BOD members to help her with the presentation at the General Meeting.
- Patti will revise the General Meeting Agenda.
- Vivian Brown will be taking food choices for the Holiday Luncheon from the associates as well as members.
- Patti will schedule the presentation by the Leyva School principal in January.
- It was suggested that the Membership Chair invite Associate Members to lunches after golf in their birthday month and also invite them to the Holiday Luncheon.

Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m. The next meeting is on Monday, December 2, 3:00 p.m. in the Cribari Patio Room.

Respectfully Submitted, Mary Wagle, Secretary

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From VGC Meeting October 15, 2024

GMS Report – Tee boxes have been aerified and fairways are being core aerified and the fairways are being dragged. The 9-hole ladies group complained that cores were left on the fairway on hole #14 during a tournament. Because October is the month for course aerification, it was mentioned that the tournament maybe should be rescheduled. The stream and pond on #18 are a work in progress. The cleaning should be complete the week of October 14th.

Golf Operations – 18-hole play is down 10%- and 9-hole play is down 8%. Par 3 rounds are down 12%. Heat may have been a deterrent. YOY resident rounds are down 6%. September hosted Men's and Women's club championships with Ken Kupperberg and Monica Sanholz as the new club champions. Rene Woolard is the Swingers club champion, Jerry Juracich the Ironmen, and Manoli Kelly the Shonis. The Glow Ball Tournament is November 1st. Winter schedule starts the week of November 3rd so hours of operation will be adjusted. The bunker project is scheduled to start early November, and the Verizon cell tower project will hopefully start spring of 2025. There is a new local rule regarding goose dropping allowing a 6" relief.

Rule 1.14 - Issue 3B – the Men's club will make an internal decision on how they want to handle guests playing during the 7-11:30 Men's club play. It was decided to leave the 3 days per year of course closure for outside tournaments closed to Villagers. It was voted 4 to 3 to allow pets on carts as long as they are leashed. There will be more discussion on that issue as Rob Howe has asked each golf group to poll their boards for feedback.

Revenue – Mary thanked the 9-hole Swingers for the final Friday Night Twilight tournament. Clyne Solely Tournament was cancelled for this year. The Swinger's exchange was successful. The last 9 and dine is October 30th and the Glow ball is November 1st.

Bunker update – The start date for the project will be November 4th. Earth Sculptures is the construction team, and the project plan is to be completed in 5 months. 3 holes will be done at a time so that golfers can have a 15-hole play. Golfers need to post hole by hole and NCGA will adjust the scores of the holes not played.