

**Sudden Valley Golf Board Meeting  
Wednesday, December 6, 2017, 5:30 pm  
El Agave Restaurant**

Attendees:

*Board Members:* Mary Jo Case, Rich Fonda, Steve Hagan, Lorna Lane, Rick Larrabee, Chuck Luttrell, Dave Strauss, Coleen Thompson, Brian Kruhlak.

*Others:* Catherine Allen, Clive Allen, Bonnie Frank, Jo Jean Kos, Keri Larrabee, Elaine Maki, Karen Prior, Marsha Strauss, Mary Quinn and Trevor Quinn.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Club President, Steve Hagan.

The minutes of the last General Meeting held October 28, 2017 were unanimously approved (Motion by Dave Strauss; second by Rich Fonda). Minutes will be posted on the SVGA Website under "Member Links".

Steve Hagan welcomed new Board Members Coleen Thompson, Ladies Club Captain and Lorna Lane, Secretary.

## **2018 Tournament Schedule**

Rich Fonda proposed two changes to the draft schedule:

- *Sudden Valley Open* scheduled for 6/10/18. Because of low participation (only 47 last year), Rich suggested changing the format from Individual Stroke Play to a Four Person Team Chapman/Best Ball. Each foursome would consist of two 2-person teams playing Chapman. Once the hole was finished, the Best Ball would be scored.

Catherine Allen expressed concern that this would eliminate the only Member's tournament that featured Individual Stroke Play since all other tournaments had partner/team formats. The consensus was that partner golf was very popular with our membership and we would try the new format to see if we could increase participation.

Rich Fonda moved change be approved; second by Coleen Thompson. Motion carried.

- *Mid-Summer Team Best Ball*. Again we have low participation; likely because it has traditionally been played the weekend following the Ladies Invitational. Suggested changing the format to a one-day tournament and moving the date to July 28 subject to confirmation that the Pro Shop didn't already have a private tournament booked that day. Brian Kruhlak will confirm the availability. Rich Fonda moved change be approved; second by Chuck Luttrell. Motion approved.

*Ladies Club Fall Wind-Up.* Coleen Thompson proposed moving this event to September 22 since the weather was usually still nice and the extra time would enable us to fit in a new tournament proposed by Brian Kruhlak as a fund raiser for the Club. Rich Fonda moved change be approved; second by Dave Strauss. Motion approved.

*SV Golf Appreciation Tournament (New).* Brian Kruhlak proposed adding one additional tournament tentatively scheduled for August 25 or 26. Events will include a dinner and auction of donated prizes. Brian will send a questionnaire to Members looking for feedback, e.g. Saturday or Sunday play, preferred format, etc., and will form a committee to brainstorm ideas and help organize the event. Terry Quinn volunteered to serve on that committee. Anyone else interested, please contact the Pro Shop.

Tournament would be open to the public and all proceeds would be used to offset the anticipated \$70,000 deficit in the golf budget. The increase in minimum wage will add \$32,000 to next year's budget alone. Mary Quinn suggested looking into an "Energy Exchange" program whereby students could earn golfing privileges in exchange for working for the course although Brian thought we might run into L&I issues. Mary Jo Case also suggested an Intern Program to help offset payroll expenses.

*Men's Club Tournaments* were approved as scheduled.

*Member Social – String Tournament.* It was suggested we move this tournament to September 1 to accommodate the addition of the Golf Appreciation Tournament. It's one of our most popular Socials and has not been impacted in the past when played on Labor Day Weekend. Rich Fonda moved change be approved; second by Coleen Thompson. Motion approved.

*Fall Wind-Up.* It was suggested we move the Fall Wind-Up Tournament to September 29. Mary Jo Case moved change be approved; second by Coleen Thompson. Motion approved.

### **Other Business**

Mary Jo Case reminded everyone about the Christmas Golf Cart Parade to be held Saturday, December 9 following Breakfast with Santa. The Pro Shop will rent carts for \$15 to those who need one for the parade. All proceeds from the cart rentals for the parade will be donated to SV's Park & Trail fund.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm. Motioned by Dave Strauss; second by Rich Fonda.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorna Lane  
Secretary