

WSSGL Special Board Meeting

ZOOM Meeting

August 10, 2022

Attendance:

Cohasset: Tricia Russ, Karen Shusterman
Duxbury: Connie Ennis, Linn Spalding
Halifax: Maureen Cawley, Gail Mahoney, Angela Flaherty
Hatherly: Susan Cronin, Betsy Mitchell, Lee Slattery, Marianne Glassanos,
Audrey Gallivan
Marshfield: Deb Annese, Carolyn Romano
Plymouth:
Scituate: Chris Cunniff, Pam Winters, Julie Stanton
Wollaston: Barbara Quinn

Call to order: 6:08 PM

Opening remarks: Tricia Russ welcomed everyone to the Zoom call. She thanked everyone for their attendance.

New Business:

1. Country Club of Halifax 2023

The new owner of the CC of Halifax is no longer supporting the WSSGL. The owner wants to charge green fees in addition to cart and food and beverage fees and will not support shotgun starts for matches. Their team has been in the league since 1973 and everyone is disappointed with this decision. Halifax management is reducing membership from 400 to 250 and wants members to commit for 2023 membership by November 1st. Currently, their women's association is very active with 35-40 members and the captain can field about 20 team members with subs.

Prior to the meeting Deb Annese suggested in an email that we consider allowing Halifax to stay in the league next year, playing all away matches. This was well received by board members but at the meeting, Maureen Cawley (Chair, CCH) wondered how many will return next season, if they will be able to field a team. It will also be necessary for each WSSGL club to commit to hosting 4 matches as well as tournaments. This means that clubs who hosted 4 matches this year and would normally host 3 matches next year would need to host 4 matches in 2023. Duxbury and Marshfield said they didn't think that

would be a problem. Hatherly and Wollaston would need to check with their Golf Committees. We may want to consider playing matches on additional days besides Thursdays, as was the case this year. Tricia pointed out that Halifax has hosted a tournament the last two years so they would be due a bye for tournament hosting in 2023. Tricia kindly volunteered to work on the 2023 schedule and Patty can present it at the Fall Board meeting.

Since there are so many unknowns, it was decided to table any decisions until the fall. The Schedule is not set until January and Halifax should know by November 1st if they can participate. Halifax thanked the League for their support, and everyone expressed their commitment to try to keep the Halifax ladies in the League for at least one more year.

2. Potential New Club 2024

Tricia then began discussion of additional club participation. White Cliffs has reached out expressing their interest to join WSSGL. Members have suggested South Shore Country Club since they have a strong team. Evidently Thorny Lea also has a strong team and had expressed interest in the past. Black Rock was mentioned but we are not sure that they can field a team. Tricia volunteered to put a list together of what would be required of any new participant. We will aim to have this resolved for the 2024 season as it is too rushed to make a decision any earlier.

3. Prize Chairperson 2023-2025

Our current Prize Chair is moving to Florida. We are looking for someone to take on that role for 2023-2025. This person needs to be available at all tournaments. A suggestion was made to have both a Chair and Co-chair. The opening will be announced at the Closing Day meeting.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is our annual meeting to be held on Closing Day, August 25th, at Hatherly.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Linn Spalding, Secretary