

TVLGA18 Opening Luncheon and Meeting Minutes April 2, 2024

Welcome and Thanks

League President Meri Coles welcomed everyone and introduced with much thanks and appreciation our sponsors and golf professionals joining us for lunch: Donnie Iverson, Merrill Lynch; Paige Tramell, State Farm; Nick Broomell, Imperial Painting; Emily Mays, Infinity; Bodyworks Massage Therapy; Steve Stilts, Patterson Home Appliance Center; Jennifer Raffety, Raffety Travel Group; Casey Flenniken, Director of TV Golf Operations; and Lucas Forstrom and Sharon Lemelman, TV Golf Professionals assigned to assist our league. She also acknowledged with thanks and appreciation our sponsors unable to attend the luncheon — Brent Parkhill, Flexx Fitness; Loren Plemmons, Attorney at Law in Village Square; and Karen Packett, Lake Homes Realty.

Lucas Forstrom presented and congratulated the winners of our 9 hole scramble tournament this morning. For the list of winners use the Golf Genius link on our website.

Jena Feil presented the invocation and the luncheon began. Guests were invited to leave after lunch before the start of the meeting.

Business Meeting Meri called the meeting to order at 12:47 p.m.

Director of Golf Comments

Casey Flennikan commented about the state of our courses and activities happening around them. Golf rounds are up 20% plus since 2019. He shared that he and Lucas and others have been working on plans to add some “combination” tees, to change some teeing ground ratings, and to add or enhance practice areas at Tanasi and Kahite to help make our courses friendly for all players. The Timeless Tellico Gala, April 20, has been designated to raise funds for some of these improvements. Watch for more announcements during the year.

TVLGA18 Executive Board Introductions and Reports

Serving in 2024 are Meri Coles, President; Jena Feil, Vice-President; Debbie Long, Treasurer; Laura Imboden, Secretary; Saundra Campbell, Membership; Patti Miller, Member at Large/Publicity; and Teresa Reed, Past President.

Meri asked for approval of the October 31, 2023 minutes. A motion and second were made by Linda Kozlowski and Stacy Lawson and minutes were approved by a membership vote..

Treasurer Debbie Long shared that our checkbook balance presently is \$13,808 and the projected balance at the end of this season is \$2,943. Please contact her with questions.

Meri Coles presented on behalf of Sandra Campbell that we have 112 members to date which includes 21 new or returning members.

Meri thanked all for serving and announced that four positions will be open next year—Vice President, Treasurer, Membership, and Member at Large. Members interested in any of these positions may contact her or another board member.

Committee Chairpersons and Co-Chairs

- **Sunshine** – Margaret Sonntag – Please let her know about illnesses or condolences.
- **Knox Area Womens Golf Association** – Tracy Courtney Arnall described this group and invited all to join.
- **Interclub** – Sue Miller explained who is eligible to participate in this group and asked folks to contact her if interested.
- **Birdies** – Dana Siegele — Be sure to record them on scorecards for end of year awards.
- **Chip-Ins** – Joan Bowen & Sally Sutton — Winners will be awarded most weeks to players who pay into the optional \$.50 chip-in pot.
- **Web Master** – Sarah Havens & Julie Langlas They appreciate more eyes on the website and any suggestions or corrections especially if something doesn't make sense as a new member. Photos will be taken after the meeting if you need one or want a new one.
- **Social** – MaryAnn Kuhl & June Lund

Special Events Chairpersons

- **Member/Member and Give Back Day** – Nancy Johnson & Dolores Franzen and Jean Clesen & Beth Hritz. These 2 events will be combined. Our Place is the designated charity. Dates are June 18 @ Kahite & June 25 @ Toqua. A special sign-up form will be needed for this event.. See website.
- **Member/Guest** – Kate Grady & Linda Kozlowski. More helpers will be needed. Dates are Sept 20 & 21 @ Kahite. A special sign-up form will be needed for this event. See website.

Vice-President Report and Comments

League Vice-President Jena Feil spoke about her role and responsibilities with the calendar and choosing games for each week. She will regularly send an email on Saturdays that will define the next week's play and clarify games as needed. These will include Pin Day, Closest to the Pin, Skins, You Choose, Guest Day, etc., as well as some traditional team games we use on Tuesdays.

Players are encouraged to use the TVLGA18.com website and Golf Genius for calendar and weekly results information. Other dates to keep in mind are June 11 - no league play, League Championship - August 20 at Kahite and August 27 at Toqua, and Guest Day - September 10.

Jena also reminded us about the importance of volunteerism, etiquette, and sportsmanship for our league's success. "Remember golf is a social sport.... How you act and/or react affects not only you but also those around you... In a few words *BE THE PLAYER YOU WANT TO PLAY WITH.*"

Etiquette and Sportsmanship

Lucas shared a few stories about a time or two he let emotions get the better of him that greatly affected his play going forward. Remember we're there for fun, to support each other, and take things less seriously

AND be sure you post all your rounds! That's the only way your handicaps are accurate.

Golf Bag Drawing To benefit Our Place, our charity for the year, the golf bag was won by Sharon Sundquist. Look for more opportunities to support this cause.

Adjournment

At Meri's request, a motion to adjourn was made by Sarah Havens and seconded by Beth Hritz at 1:50 p.m. Membership voted to approve.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Imboden, Secretary TVLGA18

Minutes approved via email by Meri Coles, Jena Feil, Debbie Long, Sandra Campbell, Patti Miller, Teresa Reed and Laura Imboden