

IESGA Board Meeting, July 12, 2022 at The Highlands Golf Course

President John Mantello called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. Also in attendance were Vice President Pete Fredrickson, Treasurer Lee Paul, Past President Randy Allen, board members Steve Jones, Jack Lawson, Joel Rogers, Mike Ruscio, Jon Solberg, Jeff Peck, Ross Kelley and Mike Hemmingson. Lawson stated that the minutes from the May board meeting were approved by the board and published on the website. He then moved that the minutes be approved; motion seconded and approved. Lawson reported that we have 328 total members; 77 of those are new.

Treasurer's Report

Lee Paul distributed the financial statements and stated that our budgeted expenses are on track and based on budgeted expenses and income there will be about a \$3000 deficit this year. In the past this situation has been offset by members' uncashed checks and certificates. It was moved and seconded that the financial reports be accepted as presented. Motion passed.

Tournament Chairman's Report

The tournament chairman's report was presented by Doug Kearsley. John Hanke could not attend in person but was on speaker phone. Doug reported that average participation this year is 208 players, better than in previous years. Total participation is close to 1,500 for the 1st half. Last year at this point it was 1,250 and in 2019 it was about 1,000. The courses have been able to handle the number of players with 10 minute start times and longer daylight so haven't needed shotgun starts so far. John has received 3 or 4 proposals for next year from various courses. Doug passed around the 2023 tentative tournament schedule and 2023 calendar. The out of town Spring tournaments were discussed; decided on Canyon Lakes and either Columbia Point or Sun Willows depending on which can offer the better deal. It was decided that Canyon Lakes will be held on Tuesday, April 18 and either Columbia Point or Sun Willows on Monday, April 17th or Wednesday, April 19th, whichever date is available. There was some discussion about whether to have the Fall out of town tournaments next year; Doug mentioned the increased work and expense to the association and if we are going to move toward a season ending scramble and annual meeting the last week of September then out of town tournament(s) in October would probably not be very well attended.

Wednesday, May 3rd has been scheduled for Circling Raven. Doug brought John Hanke into the discussion on speaker phone to get his input on the scheduling. It was discussed and decided that we would not have a season ending tournament out of town in October, 2023. The reason for that is that our season ending scramble/annual meeting will be at the end of September. Various courses were discussed and it was decided that the club championship will be held at Meadowwood and Twin Lakes. It was decided that tournament chair John Hanke would negotiate contracts with courses that are willing to work with 10 minute tee times and favorable rates to fill in the rest of the schedule. It was also decided that the 2023 season ending scramble/annual meeting will be at Liberty Lake, the week of September 28th. Doug handed out an information sheet that shows a big increase in the number of daily visits to the IESGA site.

New Business

President Mantello brought up the subject of a formal recognition (i.e. Hall of Fame) for those individuals who have contributed their time and energy to the association over the years. The suggestion was made for the board members to bring a list of candidates to the next board meeting. The recognition could also include a brief history of the IESGA and verbiage along the lines of "we walk in the footsteps of those who have gone before us" and be featured on the website as opposed to a plaque or trophy. Pete Frederickson reported on the scramble. It is set for the 28th of September at Liberty Lake. The cost for the meal is \$26.30 a head, buffet style; menu is choice of brisket or chicken, potato salad, beans, and a beverage. The annual meeting will be called to order at some point during the meal. Doug Kearsley proposed a \$36 entry fee to include the meal (\$20) and the members agreed to that. The IESGA will fund the \$6 per person difference in cost. The entry form will have options to sign up for the scramble/meeting

or the meeting only with the normal deadline to enter. Prizes will be awarded for each flight and included in the 2nd half payout.

Old Business

Kearsley discussed having IESGA banners at 1st and 10th tees; it was decided they were unnecessary as only members would see them. A new banner for the golf show and score card table with a clearer image of the logo was discussed; Doug is going to work on that item. Mantello mentioned door prizes for the annual meeting and members volunteered to contact the courses to get donations. Prizes will hopefully consist of a free round with cart for two. Lawson will ask Wide World of Golf for a donation also. It was decided that a free ticket to win one of the prizes would be handed out to each member attending the scramble and or annual meeting. The subject of online tournament registration was discussed; the system we have currently is working well and has the flexibility John Hanke prefers so it was decided not to pursue it at this time.

It was discussed that each officer should write up a description of their position. It was brought up that the positions are in the bylaws but they should be updated to give a more accurate picture. Steve Jones recommended that the job descriptions be written policy instead of a change to the bylaws which would require a vote by the membership. Officers were asked to submit their description of duties to the board by email for review before the next board meeting. Doug Kearsley took pictures of the attendees for the website.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 am.