

LAKE FAIRWAYS GOLF ASSOCIATION
MEETING
OCTOBER 21, 2025

Attending: Fred Kline, President, Bill Fleckenstein, Treasurer, Dede Martin, Secretary, Dan Thess, Pro Shop Manager, George Files, Past President, Al Keefer, Rules, Brenda Levesque, 9 Hole Ladies, Dave Leonard, Mens 18 Hole League, Freda Bennett, Membership

Fred called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

Fred asked Dan bring us up to date on any issues he needs to cover.

Dan said that Scotty is spraying the fringe and there may be brown spots, but he will also be watering more because of the spraying. Also, the greens are in pretty good condition except for some brown spots due to watering issues.

Merchandise in Pro Shops. Dan is ordering team shirts (blue for Pine Lakes and red for Lake Fairways) He will have Men's, and for the Ladies' short sleeve and sleeveless. Eventually these will be the only shirts in the Pro Shop. If someone wants to buy a shirt, they can submit a request to Dan, and he can order with a minimum of 6 shirts through Callaway. He said they are downsizing the amount of clothing as people are not buying them.

Starting November 7th, the Sand Trap's Friday hours will be extended to be open by 10:30 A.M. No other changes for the time being. Once the Pub is open, Dan said he hopes to go back to the old Sand Trap hours of 8:00 to 4:30 7 days a week. There will also be karaoke on Thursdays.

Work is ongoing at the Pub. No date for opening yet. Because of some electrical issues, they may be able to have a sound system installed.

Tee boxes have plants around them which should grow out nicely in the next few months. Also, Scotty is planning on putting flowers in when the cooler weather arrives.

Dan has ordered Bag tags which we did not have last year. Should be in any time now.

The new Golf Genius system for tournaments is up and going and everyone is still learning how to use it. There will be a starter's report that will be posted as well as sent out to member's email addresses. Also, same thing for the results...posted and emailed. Dan indicated that he had sent out the code for all the leagues, and each member should receive that. Dan indicated that eventually there can be "live tournament scoring" but that would have to have the assistance of the members with putting scores into their phone after each hole...another learning curve. Also, there will be a time when members will have the availability of signing up for league or tournaments online. Each tournament will have its own code which would be sent out to the members for their use.

Dan said that new carpet has been installed in both Lake Fairways and Pine Lakes Pro Shop, Members need to clean golf shoes before going in.

The GHIN system is \$20 and is paid annually when you sign up for the system. So, if someone signs up in November, that will be the month when their \$20 is due each year thereafter. Dan indicated that Pine Lakes is collecting both the GHIN and Association fees (both \$20) and then they will make one check to the Pro Shop for the GHIN. Once the fee is paid to GHIN, the Pro Shop (Dan) will let the FSGA know, and the member will get an email from them with their password. Members can use a GHIN number from up north if they have one. I would just need to let the Pro Shop know that number. Dave Leonard suggested that Dan might do a "Town Hall" type of meeting later this year to bring everybody up to snuff on all of this. Dan said he could do that.

It was noted that some of the Men's 9 Hole League and the Ladies 9 Hole League do not join the GHIN and that is okay with those leagues.

It was noted that it takes 3 to 4 scores entered in the GHIN system before a handicap is produced.

Pro shops are accepting only checks or credit cards for payments including leagues. Dan said he is okay with the leagues paying once a month. Credit will be put on the books each week as normally done, but because of this change, he is okay with monthly checks.

Fred asked about the \$5 cart fee for when spouses are playing the same day but not with each other. Dan said, if it is a tournament or a shootout, he has not been charging for those. If it is because both are playing on the same day, but not in one of those, they would have to pay the \$5 and it can be taken off from the books. Dan indicated that he has done some investigation, and we are one of the less expensive clubs as far as memberships and cart fees go. Most of the other clubs around us charge \$25 for a cart.

Dan was asked about outside play. Dan said that there are 3 clubs that we got from Del Tura and mostly it was because they charged \$60 and we are at \$45 in season.

Bill asked about cart path on #1. Dan said it has been patched, but in order to make it right, it would have to be torn up and new cement put in. Usually that is something that Tad from ELS does and would be on a list.

Dede asked about the dead tree on #15 about half way up on the right hand side. Dan said he was not aware of that but would look into it and put it on the list for removal.

Freda asked about the decking on the bridges. That will be a capital expense which has been submitted. Dan said he is not sure when it will be approved.

Bunkers are being groomed on a regular basis now and pins will be moved twice a week.

Bill asked about a sign for the first hole that tells you if course is cart path only. He said we use to have one of those. Dan said he has a sign that will be going in shortly, just waiting for the hardware. These signs will say, open, closed, cart path only.

It was also asked about the flowers that use to be by the front of the Pro Shop. Dan says he does not know what is going on with that. Not under his control.

Freda asked if there were any plans to upgrade the Sand Trap. Dan said there will definitely not be any working kitchen. All decisions about this are above the local management.

Fred thanked Dan for coming and sharing information.

The reading of the Secretary's report from April was waived as everyone had received it by email and one was posted on the board.

Treasurer's report – Bill indicated that we have a balance very similar to last year at this time. Bill indicated that this will be his last season as Treasurer 2025-2026.

Membership – Freda indicated that she has 7 members paid. She said that we need to get it out to the membership that they need to pay their \$20 Association fee by cash which is put in an envelope in the Pro Shop. The envelope needs to be fully filled out with the name and GHIN number.

Tournament Report – Fred indicated that we did not have any Association tournaments this summer as there were not enough people to play in them. The next tournament will be the Turkey Trot which has been changed to Monday, November 10th.

Rules – Al Keefer stated that he is giving up being the Rules Chair. He made a suggestion that perhaps Tad Lague would be willing to take over this job.

9 Hole Men's League – it was suggested that someone speak to them about a couple of men joining the GHIN system so that they can play in the Club Championship.

Ladies 18 Hole League – no representative present.

Nine Hole Ladies League – Brenda indicated that they have had a pretty good turn out all summer, about 10 ladies and they will have a lot more in season. Brenda wanted to know about the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. She said the nine-hole ladies have never been asked to play with the 18 Hole Men's and 18 Hole Ladies League and wondered why. Dede indicated that there is no reason they cannot play with that group. It was also suggested that maybe the 9 Hole Men's League and the 9 Hole ladies league could get together on that day and play their own game.

Men's 18 Hole League – Dave said not much to report. He said that sometime soon Scotty is going to be closing Hole #4 so that the water leaks can be fixed. Dave also said that they have a good balance in the checking account so sometimes they are going to have a catered dinner for the Men's League.

Member at Large – no representative present

Old Business

Dede asked about the broken computer in the Pro Shop that some members used to put in their scores. It has been broken for some time. Dan said that for those people who do not have a computer or cell phone to submit scores, they can have the Pro Shop do it for them. It was agreed by the Board that no new computer will be bought at this time and we will see out it goes.

Dede asked about a new table and chairs for the cement pad in back of Pro Shop where Leagues and tournaments meet. It was looked into by Greg, previous president, but nothing has been done. Dave Leonard said he and others are looking into the table and chairs. Discussed was a shelter of some sort over the table and Freda suggested perhaps just an umbrella/table of some sort. Again, Dave said he would look into this.

The Board voted that because the new handicap system only requires 8 scores for a handicap that for those who want to play in the Club Championship, they will need 8 scores if here before December 31st and 4 scores if after January 1st

Meeting was adjourned at 2:54 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Dede Martin, Secretary