

WOMEN'S PUBLIC LINKS GOLF ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, INC.

BOARD MEETING January 5, 2026

Anaheim Hills Golf Course

The Board meeting was called to order by the President, Donna Buxton at 10:30 a.m. In Attendance: Sherri Little, Lydia Salcido, Janet Herbold, Carolyn Sherman, Susan Shimizu, Karen Kiddy, MariLu Villasor, Jayne Mackley, Amy Bello, Judy Hoyt, Yuri Kantor, Monica Becerra, Sheri Peterson, and Lou Ann Reichling. There were no absences at the meeting.

PRESIDENT- Donna Buxton

Donna opened the first meeting of the year by welcoming the board and having them introduce themselves. New Division Representatives this year are Judy Hoyt, Orange Division, Monica Becerra, Southern Division and Yuri Kantor, Western Division.

Training for the new Division Representatives will take place on Monday January 12th at Rio Hondo Golf Course.

Sheri Peterson was also introduced as the new Technical Assistance Resource. Sheri's duties will include maintaining the file for the participation points, awards file, bi-annual payouts, support to Major Tournaments and updating and maintaining the WPLGASC website.

Donna then reviewed her expectations and priorities for the board members stressing the importance of communication, customer service, and confidentiality. Board members were asked to check their WPLGASC email daily and use the 'out of office' reply if they are unavailable.

Future of WPLGASC

- Golf Genius 'Automation'
 - Donna, Susan, Lydia, and Sheri P. to be on committee for Association Day registration and payments.
- Google Share Drive
 - Access of documents and forms.

Open WPLGA committee position:

Contracts Administrator. The candidate will need to be someone who has attention to detail.

FAFH

No new news currently. More information to follow.

Uniforms

Possible addition of navy-blue vest to uniform. Susan Shimizu, treasurer, to review if budget has the funding and will follow up with board.

ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP: Janet Herbold

- Total clubs to date: 84.
- New clubs this year: 1 Sun Lakes.
- Paid memberships to date: 1747.
- Honorary memberships: 8 Past Presidents.
- Missing insurance waiver: 164 members.
- "NO" on insurance waiver: 6.
 - Members are unable to participate in events until insurance waiver is signed.

CORRESPONDENCE: Janet Herbold

11/17/2025

Strawberry Farms contacted Janet again regarding recognition of their ladies club by WPLGASC, this time by Ian Mittelstaedt, Director of Golf. Janet has plans to follow up with Ian now that our Annual Meeting and renewals are completed.

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MAJOR TOURNAMENTS: Sherri Little

- All Major Tournament contracts are completed and signed for 2026.
- Sherri is now in the process of working on the 2027 calendar.
- **Kick Off Tournament on January 26, 2026.**
 - 252 Members registered.
 - 148 were accepted.
 - 45 combined participation points to be accepted.
- Sherri received several emails from disappointed members who did not get in the tournament because of lack of points. Suggestions from members included:
 - An alternate course nearby for those on waitlist to play.
 - Waitlist players playing the day before at Rio Hondo.
 - Board members play in same foursomes.
 - Minimum points for board members and team members without automatic entry.

A discussion took place about the participation points that were required to gain acceptance into the tournament and that some of the board member groups were below that threshold.

Although this year's tournament cannot be changed as players have already been accepted into the tournament, there was discussion by the board on how to improve next year's Kick Off. Sherri Little made a motion that board and past presidents should play together, thus opening room for more member teams to be entered into the tournament. The motion was seconded by Lydia Salcido. The motion carried with 11 in favor and one against by show of hands.

MONTHLY TOURNAMENTS: Lydia Salcido

- Lydia is finalizing the monthly Association Days for the website.
 - Delay is related to some of the 2026 courses on the Contract Information Sheet which do not have final contracts.
 - Lydia will be posting the courses without completed contracts as a 'to be determined' (TBD) on the website.
 - Delay is also related to playing tees are not indicated on Contract Information Sheet.
 - National Course Rating Database (NCRDB)
 - Only source to be used for rating slope.
 - <http://ncrdb.usga.org/>
 - Link in Golf Genius
 - All Association Day registration is to be done by mail with the only payment option being a check made out to WPLGASC. No ZELLE payments will be accepted at this time.
 - Playing two WPLGASC Association Days in the same week is acceptable with the following criteria:
 - Member playing additional day is substituting for a cancellation.
 - Members will only receive one participation point.
 - Members are eligible for awards at both events.
 - **Membership Courses**
 - In some cases, when agreeable with the course, members having private memberships may not have to pay green fees.
 - Members do pay the \$5.00 registration fee.

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- Pace of play: pace of play was a problem at several of the courses on the December Association Day.
 - DRs are to notify Lydia by email of any problems with pace of play. Lydia will contact all members in group by email.
 - Discussion as to possible future penalties and how they would be enforced was discussed.
- Division Representatives:
 - Training: Monday January 12th at Rio Hondo Golf Course

Northern- Amy Bello

 - Needs CTP sign replaced as hers blew away in wind. Lou Ann will give her a new sign.

Western- Yuri Kantor

 - Diane Acosta will cover Yuri in her absence while on vacation.

TREASURER: Susan Shimizu

- Balance Sheet and Profit/Loss Statement dated November 30, 2025, was provided at Annual Meeting.
 - FYE Financial Statement ending 12/31/2025 will be available later this month after year-end Journal Entries is completed.
 - Any member who would like a copy may contact Susan directly.
- Expense Reports
 - List of authorized expenses were distributed.
 - Quarterly submissions of Expense Reports to Susan were recommended.
- Statement of Information (Secretary of State), Fictitious Name Filing (State of California) have been filed for 2026.
- Conflict of Interest Statements
 - One is still outstanding.
- Chase Bank
 - Signers will need to provide signatures at their local Chase Branch, then Debit Cards for deposits will be issued. Team Play Chair will need one as well.
 - A new WPLGASC Credit line with an overall limit of \$66,000 was approved by Chase Bank on January 2. This line has no liability to individual Board Members as in past years. We will begin utilizing this Line of Credit as soon as cards are issued (expected) late next week. Authorized users are Donna, Sherri, Lydia, and Susan. In meantime, contact Donna or Susan if a Credit Card is needed. Old line of credit will be closed.
- Liz Chan (Brookside) has agreed to audit books this year. Expected to begin next month after submission of FYE 12/31/2025 Financial Records to CPA (tax preparation).
- Insurance Claim Information and Forms were distributed to VP Major Tournaments, VP Monthlys, DRs, Team Play Representative. Advised to keep them accessible at events.
- Outstanding Deposits at Golf Courses as of 12/31/2025 were distributed to VP Major Tournaments (\$16,364.16), VP Monthly's (\$10,450.00), and President.

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RULES: MariLu Villasor

MariLu initiated talks on potential rules change adapting Model Local Rule F-5. After reviewing, the board unanimously chose not to give an extra relief option under Rule 16.1 when a player's ball lies in the general area and an immovable obstruction close to the putting green is on the players' line of play i.e. aprons and fringes where free relief is normally not allowed.

TEAM: Karen Kiddy

- Emails sent out this past weekend to clubs.
 - Fillable roster attached to email for clubs to indicate their team players. Team rosters are due by January 23rd.
- 57 teams this year, 11 of the teams are new to team play.

OLD BUSINESS: none to report

NEW BUSINESS:

- Discussion was brought up about changing the Annual Meeting to a President/Delegate tournament this year. No motion was made, item tabled for next meeting.
- Jayne Mackley noted that the November 3rd Board Meeting conflicts with a LACWGA tournament. Donna is aware and will notify board members of any changes to schedule.

The next board meeting will be on April 27th. Location to be determined. The meeting was adjourned at 1:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carolyn Sherman, WPLGASC Secretary
