IESGA Board Meeting, October 11, 2018 at Mirabeau Park Hotel

President Lawson called the meeting to order at 4:36 P.M.

In attendance were Vice President John McColgin, Secretary/Treasurer Don Kahl, Tournament/Handicap Chairman John Hanke, Asst Tournament Chairman Les Barton, Web Master Lee Spencer and Board members Larry Kincaid, Randy Allen, Doug Kearsley, Bill Kristen, Joel Rogers, David James, John Mantello, and Past President Mike Ruscio.

McColgin read the minutes from the August 21 board meeting. Rogers moved to approve the minutes. It was seconded and passed.

Treasurer's Report

Don Kahl presented a 2018, end of year report. We closed the year in good shape, and the outlook for 2019 is looking good as well. Kearsley made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Tournament Chairman's Report

John Hanke reported that all contracts have been returned from our 2019 tournament courses, with the exception of three. Those are Coeur d'Alene, Lewiston CC, and Columbia Point.

Lawson started the discussion on the thought of more members using the forward tees. One possibility would be to use the formula of age plus GHIN handicap. If the total is over 80, the member could move to the forward tees. Hanke was asked how he felt about it. Hanke said he felt moving D flight to the forward tees was a success and moving C flight forward would also work. Several Board members had input about how to implement a fair system. Randy Allen suggested the simple idea of having all C and D flight players play from the forward tees. If a C flight player plays well enough to be moved into B flight, he would then have to play from the white tees.

It was decided to have A and B flights play from the white tees and C and D flights play from the forward tees. This proposal is for a one year trial period. A motion was made by Randy Allen. It was seconded by Larry Kincaid, and passed.

This does not need to be voted on by the General Membership, but Lawson will talk about it during the meeting.

Hanke talked about some of the courses not being easy to set up to use the forward tees, and asked for flexibility from the Board to accomplish that. The board assured him that he had authority to adjust the courses as necessary.

Hanke talked about the new rules for 2019, and that we need some copies of the changes coming. He discussed doing the Old Goat payouts more proportional to the amount in each flight.

Lawson brought up the question on whether the Board wants women to join the Association. The consensus was not at this time. The women have several other organizations available to them. None of the wives of Board members, who play golf, want to join the IESGA.

New Business

Lawson discussed the low turnout of players for our last out of town tournaments. He discussed the possibility of holding a one day tournament closer to Spokane, in 2020. This would save money on lodging for the officers

Les Barton asked about the policy of allowing foursomes to play together. Lawson explained that we are still going by the discretion of the Tournament Chairman.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 P.M.