

**Triggs Ladies Inner Club
Board of Governors
Meeting Minutes**

Date: August 17, 2025

Time: 2:28 pm

Adjourned: 3:55pm

In attendance at Triggs:

Catherine Parente, Barbara Davis – Co-Presidents

Alexandra Callam - Vice President

Barbara O'Neil - Treasurer

Tonia Mason - Secretary

Lillian McGee, Louise Thornton, Robin Gershkoff – Governors

Guest: Rachel Pecararo

Previous Minutes

Motion to approve July minutes –Robin G, Lilian 2nd. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

- Barb O reported a balance of \$7,680.17. The check for \$544 to the Clubhouse for the Red & Blue tournament is outstanding, but expected to be cashed tomorrow. Barb questioned whether we are having a Ryder Club this year. After discussion, the Board recognized that we will be fulfilling our 6 majors this year, including the upcoming end of season; however, Pam has agreed to help run the Ryder Cup this year since Tracy will be out of town. The date is October 4 and that date has been confirmed with Karl. No Ladies Inner Club funds will be used for this tournament. It will have entry fees, which will cover the expenses and the men will run it (per Pam). The date has subsequently been changed to Oct. 5 per a message from Pam.
- Barb O and Catherine brought up the issue of the Treasurer having to use her personal SS# for banking and the plan for getting a Tax ID so that going forward our Treasurers will not have to use personal information. We will still have to change signatory. Catherine will apply for a Tax ID for the club.

Club Championship Update

- Catherine reported that all seems to be going well and that all groups are in their final rounds. Also, she noted that many matches have been played during the week rather than on the weekends.

Website Posting of other golf events

- The new web page is up with multiple notices. The Board agreed that the message that had gone out earlier to members was notice enough, but that we could add a note about the new page's existence to beginning of season announcements. There also was discussion about the direct solicitation last week at the course in connection to one of the postings, the Wish Come True Masters raffle. Barb O voiced objection to this, but all recognized that it would be difficult to stop it from happening.

By-Laws Changes Review & Discussion

- On behalf of the By-Laws committee, Louise Thornton reported on their meeting/discussion of suggested updates to the By-Laws beyond the initial edits/changes that were presented last month.
 - (1) There was further discussion on the issue of requiring that 3 events vs. 2 be played in a current year to allow participation in the Club Championship. This would ensure that anyone new to the club would need to make a significant commitment before being able to play in the Club Championship. After discussion, the Board voted on this further change to the updated language.
 - (2) There was further discussion about the creation of a Nominating/Election Committee and language delineating some changes to the prior proposed will be incorporated in the By-Laws
 - (3) Louise reviewed further edits throughout that the committee had recommended after going through the entire document to clean up and make language more consistent. Barb O and Catherine offered additional recommendations not caught.
 - (4) Additional specific sections were discussed including wording regarding how the financial report will be made available to any member upon request, whether we should eliminate the section mentioning the club is open to all players regardless of race, creed, etc., and whether we should address the issue of sex
 - (5) There was also discussion about the existing language around Tournament committee/chair and edits to better reflect current practice.
- Louise was going to get in touch with the By-Laws committee quickly to try to have a final meeting to work on these further edits/updates so they can be reviewed one last time by the Board before they are presented to the membership. They need to be presented 30 days prior to the annual meeting. The plan would be for the Board to have a Zoom meeting next Monday or Tuesday, August 25 or 26.

New Business

- Barb D. discussed the idea of post-season play, separate from the regular season. The group was receptive to trying a less formal play format for anyone who is interested, with tee-times being offered and sign up procedure being the same. Barb is going to look into this with Karl.
- Catherine brought up for discussion whether the club should consider getting a business Venmo account. Unlike personal Venmo accounts, there would be fees associated with transactions. After discussion, the decision was to table it for now.
- Alex raised a point brought to her attention from a new member who was unable to play in the Red vs. Blue tournament due to not being able to find a partner. While it tends to happen informally, the Board discussed the old practice of having mentors/"buddy system" for new members as a way of onboarding new folks and helping them get introduced to everyone and everything as a possible way to help this from happening in the future.

****NEXT MEETING August 25 or 26, 2025 if needed. ****
Meeting to finalized By-laws changes conducted remotely.