

LCT BOARD MEETING Minutes

March 19, 2026, 3:30pm

(Laura Collins home, Moss Creek, 89 Saw Timber Drive)

Present

Carol Hammond, Laura Collins, Cynthia Leaf, Sue MacCormak, Renee Rezzetano, Denise Harris, Ruth Bartlett (ex-officio)

Review/Approve Minutes, Jan 1, 2026. Laura moved to approve. Ruth 2nd. All approved.

Financial Report and Proposed Dues increase for 2027.

- Dues have not increased >4 years. Most significant factor is cost of the Annual meeting lunch.
- Goal is to have about \$3000 in cash reserve.
- 2027 Total dues will increase to \$468/team which includes a \$1/bag increase in Bag handler fee or \$36/team, and a \$72/team increase in LCT dues or \$288 to LCT and \$180 kept by clubs for bag handling fees, resulting in a charge of \$13/player/match rather than \$10/player. The LCT portion increase will offset an anticipated increase in Annual Meeting Lunch costs and work to attain annual cash reserves of about \$3000. Dues increase will be announced at Annual Meeting. Moved Sue, 2nd Ruth. All approved.

Division Chair Updates

- Division 1, Renee – Plaques have been prepared with Division winners names
- Division 2, Niza – not present—estimated 173 attendees at luncheon
- Division 3 and 5, Denise-- her service on the Board was acknowledged with gratitude
- Division 4, Sue – see final results below
- Division 6, Laura – will hold notebooks until next season; **Action: add 2027 Darius Rucker dates (March 1-3, 2027) to course contract form; encourage Clubs with 3 teams to use two (or three) play dates if possible; encourage Clubs to consider start times with respect to hours of daylight and a likely a 5-hour round.**
- 2026 Division winners
 - Division 1 Colleton River I (May River I moves to Division 2)
 - Division 2- Dataw I (Long Cove II moves to Division 3)
 - Division 3- Country Club of Hilton Head I (Moss Creek II moves to Division 4)
 - Division 4- The Golf Club II (Palmetto Hall I moves to Division 5)
 - Division 5- Callawassie II (Long Cove III moves to Division 6)
 - Division 6 – Sea Pines III (Dolphin Head moves to the bottom of the wait list)
 - Waitlist:
 - Riverton Pointe will join Division 6 in 2027
 - Indigo Run III (requested join date of Feb 23, 2026)
 - Dolphin Head (March 9, 2026 – Division 6 last place finish date)
 - Note: Team finishing last in Division 6 is added to the waitlist as of the final Division 6 match date.

Charitable Donations

- Additional information, including the organization's relationship with First Tee and specific uses of our donations will be requested from HHJGA and Lowcountry Junior Girls Golf Association.
- **Action: Sue will phone Pat Zuc, Exec Director of the First Tee Program, inquire about cost allocations, get an idea if funds can be specifically allocated to girls programs, request an allocation spending report and understand if one check to the organization is better than the format we used in prior years.**

- **Action: Once we determine that we may want to support more than the First Tee Program, Laura will follow up with Rosie Jones Scholarship program.**

Nominating Committee

- Ruth chaired the Nominating Committee and reported that Susan Plousis will be nominated at the Annual Meeting. The full slate of directors will be presented at the Annual Meeting.

Standing Rules Updates

- Specify the method of entering the wait list process. Specify team finishing last in Division 6 will be added to the wait list as of the date of the last Division 6 match of the season.
- Better define what needs to be submitted with “a new player to the area” roster addition – both prior club 12/15/xx handicap index report with their name and updated LCT roster to Section VII. Eligibility Standards.
- Better clarify that no player additions will be allowed after the noted Roster Submission Date under Section VII. Eligibility Standards except for new club members.
- Amend language to Section IX. Ties, for the method used for breaking ties for all finishing positions, not just first and last.
- Amend Section XV. Player Responsibilities to include statement that all report incidents of failure to comply with the USGA Player Code of Conduct will be evaluated by the Board for remedies.
- **Action: Carol revise Standing Rules**

Updates at Annual Meeting

- **Action: Carol**
- Slow Play – if Players are instructed by Monitors to skip a hole and split the point, this is not an option. Failure to comply is considered unsportsmanlike conduct and will fall under Section XV. Player Responsibilities as an infraction of the USGA Player Code of Conduct.
- Standing Rule changes

Other items

- May River has requested a name change to Palmetto Bluff. **Action: Carol will update website**
- E mail a letter summarizing the season and changes in Standing Rules and Dues to Captains and Club Pros **Action: Carol**
- Best Practices for Hosting will be posted on the website. **Action: Cynthia will assemble a list and circulate it to Board Members**
- Send email to captains regarding submission date of 2027 Contract. They must be fully completed to be considered accepted. **Action: Carol**