

Cottonwood Ladies Golf Association Board Meeting

DATE: May 1, 2025

LOCATION: Phoenix Room, CLC

ELECTED OFFICERS PRESENT: Virginia Diers, Zara Logan, and Pat McRoberts.

APPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Tara Bradford, Marylana Breit, Sandy Eeds, Nancy Hermanson, Mary Anne Lofquist, and Sandy Worden.

The president, Zara Logan, called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Sandy Eeds moved to approve the April Board Meeting Minutes posted on the website. Sandy Worden seconded, and the motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Pat McRoberts handed out the treasurer's report. As of March 31st, we have a balance of \$10,065. We have approximately \$2,000.00 to pay, leaving us with around \$8,000. Tara Bradford moved to approve the Treasurer's report, Mary Anne Lofquist seconded, and the motion passed.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Deb Feist was absent.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

TOURNAMENT CHAIR: Karen Fischer was absent, but she emailed Nancy Hermanson her thoughts from the year:

"I think overall the year went very smoothly. No major problems with weekly scoring. We tried to make it easier with instructions on the cards and games that Golf Genius could interpret. All the players had to do was enter their gross scores. I tried to mix up players and tee assignments more this year.

I didn't hear any complaints about payouts, which proves that the budget was adequate this year. I propose that all tournament disputes be handled by a "tournament committee" consisting of Tournament Chair, Handicap Chair, and Rules Chair. USGA Rules to be applied. This is what is most common in other organizations.

The 25/26 overall calendar has been set thanks to Zara attending the meeting with the other clubs. The incoming board can determine weekly games, etc.

I do want to give Travis a big tip. He was great to work with and does 95% of the work for CLGA! Thank you, Board Members, for all your hard work! It's been great working with you!"

Zara Logan reported attending the Riggs/Road Calendar meeting with the presidents and tournament chairs of Cottonwood, Ironwood, Oakwood, and Palo Verde. Karen Fischer and Nancy Hermanson were unable to attend. The main purpose of the meeting is to compare calendars to avoid scheduling major tournaments on the same date, such as Member-Guest and Partners. Next year, PICO's tournament will be at Oakwood and Palo Verde, and the starting time will be 8:00 AM at Oakwood and 8:30 AM at Palo Verde, where lunch will be held.

CLGA's calendar, except for the major tournaments, has not been finalized and is open for the new board to complete.

GOLF COMMITTEE: Sandy Worden – There are no new updates because the committee has not met since April 2nd, and the next meeting is scheduled for May 7th.

She and Denise Orthen are working on the EIN issue number, which they believe is for our HOA, not the golf committee.

She asked for input from board members for the next committee meeting: More information on the tee markers' color scheme. Will the scorecards be updated to reflect changes to the tee marker color scheme? Have they finished the slope and rating at Palo Verde? There have been several discussions about the raking of the bunkers, but the issue remains unresolved. When workers rake the bunkers, they drag the sand out, leaving a bare spot at the edge of the bunker. Concerns regarding parking on the cart path between the pro shop and the 18th hole remain an issue. Could a red "no parking" be painted on one side of the golf cart path? Request to level the forward tee boxes. Would like an update on the condition of the 4th green.

RULES CHAIR: Marylana Breit – Terry Gaube has requested a more detailed description of how the Eclectic tournament should be played. Marylana will forward this request to the tournament chair of the new board.

Terry wants to know if a weekly email about a rule should be sent to the members, in addition to the information available on the CLGA website. It was decided to include the question in the survey: “Do you find the weekly rule question on the CLGA website helpful?”

WEBMASTER: Sandy Eeds – nothing new to report.

MEMBER-AT-LARGE: Tara Bradford – A draft of the CLGA Member Survey was sent to the board for review and approval. Tara proposed sending the survey to the members online, Sandy Eeds seconded, and the motion passed. Tara will speak about the survey at the May 8th luncheon. She will notify members that it will be sent via email with a two-week deadline for completion. The survey results will be summarized, including all written comments, and sent to all members.

AZ GOLF REP: Mary Anne Lofquist – The State Medallion winners will be announced in November.

HANDICAP CHAIR: Nancy Hermanson – nothing new to report.

OLD BUSINESS

STATUS of OFFICER ELECTION FOR 2025-26 – The balloting went out on our website today. The deadline to cast your vote is May 15th, as stated in our bylaws. On May 16th, the new officers will be announced via email.

FINAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/LUNCHEON – The luncheon is on May 8th, and as of today, we have 42 signed up to attend.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF END-OF-YEAR GIFT FOR PRO SHOP STAFF – Nancy Hermanson made a motion, seconded by Marylana Breit, to give money gifts to the Pro Shop Staff, and the motion passed. The money will be taken out of our 50/50 Raffle. Travis: \$200 (reps CLGA), Jon: \$100, Jaron: \$100, and Jane: \$100 (helped with Logo Wear).

COTTONWOOD LINK’S LEAGUE TEAM – It is an opportunity to represent Cottonwood in a Doubles Matchplay format against other private clubs. The event will take place on Thursdays from November 2025 to April 2026. More information will be announced at the May 8th luncheon meeting. A detailed flyer will be sent out by Jon in the Pro Shop. This is a separate league and not part of our CLGA League.

SELECTION OF AN AUDITOR – We need suggestions for an auditor, and it was recommended that we ask Barb Senneff.

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 PM.

Virginia Diers
Secretary