ILGA Board Meeting
May 18, 2026
Oakwood Library

Board members present: Sue Olson, Joni Hiller, Ann Gavin, MJ Boscombe, Judy Kirschenbaum, Jan McCarthy, Jean Karich and Karen Beltz.

Karen S., Vickie, Sharon, Lynda, Peggy and Kelley were absent.

The meeting was called to order at 2:58 PM by Sue Olson. Since there was a shortage of people, Jan volunteered to record this proceeding on a trial basis for Vickie to transcribe.

Review of April Minutes: Sue

The April minutes were reviewed. Karen B. made a motion to accept the minutes. Jean seconded the motion. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report/Budget Review: Sharon (Sue)

Sharon previously submitted the April financials to Board members and indicated there were no questions. She stated all expenses are under control and there was nothing new to report. Karen B. made a motion to accept the April Financial Report, Ann seconded it and all were in favor.

Tournament Chair Report: Lynda (Sue)

Lynda gave Sue notes regarding the following tournaments:

- Member/Member Review

  The tournament was a huge success. There was a full field with 36 teams, no cancellations or no shows at the last minute, which was wonderful. The flamingo theme was a hit, and everyone had fun with it. Lynda paid 57% of the field, including proxies, for a total of $339. On a separate note, Lynda stated her average payout in the last four weeks was about 45% of the field.

  MJ provided an update on the Member/Member lunch. This was the first time we had tried a speedy-specific menu with four popular menu items. Karla created "flamingo themed" express menus for the tables. The lunch was menu priced so you paid for what you bought, including the drinks. The servers and the kitchen got everything out in a timely manner. There were 68 members who attended the luncheon. MJ thought it was a very successful event and she recommended this type of format should be used going forward as opposed to a specific sit-down meal. Sue also stated all the comments she heard were very positive about the lunch choices and the service. Jean said she arrived early for lunch, and got her order fast, but she did hear comments from others who finished golfing later, that they waited a long time. Jean spoke with Karla after the fact and Karla informed her that they are in the process of working out the kinks so, hopefully, they will be a little bit faster in handling the crowd but only so many bodies can fit/work within the kitchen.

- Scheduling Changes 2026 and 2027

  After reviewing the 2026/2027 calendar changes, MJ pointed out that Summer League play at Ironwood is a different week than what we originally thought it was going to be due to the

course being closed July 9th. Sue stated the first three weeks of July were moved around to accommodate Summer League play on July 16th and the course closure from the week of July 2nd to July 9th. Sue also learned from Judy K. that the December 17th ILGA travel team play date at Ironwood was not on the calendar. Sue updated the 2026 calendar and posted it to the website. Sue asked that if there are any other changes that need to be made, please inform Lynda so the calendar can be updated.

Sue stated for 2027 scheduling with Riggs Road participants, the Member/Guest for next year was pushed out one week to December 9th instead of the first play date in December because Oakwood's Member/Member is November 30th. MJ expressed concern with the later date since it is closer to the Christmas party season. She said it would be important for whoever is the chairman of that event to get on the food and beverage calendar immediately because that is right in the middle of the Christmas party season. Sue stated since we have over a year, we can start by talking to Grill on the Green to determine any potential conflicts.

Pairings: Peggy (Sue)

Peggy had no new information to report. However, Sue followed up on an issue Peggy reported at the April meeting regarding the late opening time for Grill on the Green on Thursdays given the earlier 7:30 a.m. shotgun start. Ann confirmed it is now open at 10:00 a.m.

Membership Update: Jean

We have not had any new members since April. We have a total of 147 members; 130 of those are returning; 17 are new. We have 14 handicap-only and one social.

Jean discussed 2027 dues and asked for the Board's confirmation to keep dues the same as last year since this is our last meeting until September. To date, Jean has received no communication from the AGA that they are raising their fee. Jean will inform Sue if she receives any notification from AGA about a fee increase over the summer. Sue said we did raise our dues by $5 for 2026 and we do not appear to have a shortfall. Expenses are under control per Sharon, so the Board does not think there is a need for an increase for 2027. Judy made a motion to keep the dues at $135 ($90 ILGA + $45 AGA) for 2027. Karen B. seconded. All were in favor.

MJ added that our September meeting should include the registration procedures for 2027. Per the AGA website, online registration will be turned off during September and our online form for 2027 is due September 5th to ensure our online registration for 2027 can begin October 1st. Jean will work on the registration procedures so we can provide to the AGA by September 5th and upload to the ILGA website before October 1st. Basically, we can clone everything from last year because we did not change anything.

Social Events/Lunches: MJ

The next social event with lunch will be the Low Net tournament in November. MJ proposes we use the same speedy type menu. Traditionally, we do not have as many members for the Low Net luncheon as the Member/Member luncheon. We usually average around 55. The speedy menu would be very efficient. This time, the drink of the day will be included on the speedy menu.

Ringers/Birdies: Kelley (Sue)

Kelley did not have anything to report other than the new spreadsheets for Ringers/Birdies are being put together and posted.

Sue advised that Kelley has not been able to present Amanda with the check for her Eagle. Sue asked if one of the Board members could present Amanda with the check on this Thursday's play date. Jan volunteered to present the check to Amanda on Thursday. Ann asked if chits had been paid for Ringers and Birdies since the Board approved payment in chits at the April meeting. Since Sharon was absent, Sue confirmed with her that the check for chits for Ringers and Birdies winners was delivered to Coby for posting to members' accounts.

AGA/State Medallion: Joni

Joni stated the State Medallion winners are Peggy Cooper for low gross and Karen Bustillo for low net. Joni will contact them to make sure that they are willing to play in the January tournament. Normally, AGA sends out a notice with the date and location of the tournament in early June. Joni will order the medallions for the participants. She needs confirmation from Peggy and Karen that they are going to play as the medallions are given to those players who participate in the tournament, not just those who finish first in the standings. If Peggy cannot play, there are two players who are tied for second gross so a tiebreaker would have to be used. Per MJ, AGA provides guidance on tiebreakers so this source can be used if needed. Joni said there are no ties for second net. (After our meeting, the AGA website showed that the State Medallion Tournament will be held at Oakwood Country Club January 29-31st, 2027.)

Website: Ann

Ann advised there is now a photo gallery on the website which can be accessed from the top menu bar on the website. Ann is sorting through Jan M.'s photos and selecting pictures to post for special events. She is creating a word document of the pictures and providing a link to access the document. Ann said she cannot post all the pictures, but she recently posted pictures from the Member/Member event. MJ suggested that we provide verbiage under the actual event when pictures are available in the photo gallery, so members know to look there. Sue will also include this information in the monthly Newsletter.

New Business:

Summer League: MJ

There will be three Summer League play dates. The first Summer League event is at Sun Lakes Country Club on Wednesday, June 10th with a 7:30 am shotgun. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board inside the clubhouse. The cost is $18 payable by cash, check or Zelle. The game of the day is not yet known, but the host team will decide the game of the day. The deadline to sign up is Thursday, June 4th. MJ will send out a reminder email to sign up.

Per MJ, Ironwood will host Summer League on Thursday, July 16th with a morning shotgun at 7:30 a.m., So, if you are playing in the Summer League, you will have a 7:30 a.m. shotgun. Other members will have tee times beginning at 10:45. According to MJ, our regular ILGA play date was the only day that Ironwood would give us for Summer League play.

The last Summer League play date is Wednesday, September 16th at Palo Verde.

Member/Guest Update: MJ

MJ said the theme this year is "Viva Fiesta." It will be colorful and fun. On Wednesday night, December 2nd, we plan to have our meet and greet. We are hoping to have a dance troupe, and also have some games on the side. On the day of the tournament, December 3rd, we will have very festive decorations, including piñatas. We are also saving money on decorations by borrowing from Karla. Lunch will be chicken and green chili enchilada casserole plus cheese enchiladas. They are all corn, so there are no gluten-free issues. Dessert will be churros with caramel sauce. It will be a substantial, warm meal. The drink of the day is still up for debate—margaritas or shots? Jan stated we are also hoping to provide chips and salsa for all the tables on Wednesday night.

We are working with Judy Wegener on the tee prizes. They found cute little golf purses with five different designs which will be filled with all kinds of little goodies. MJ stated there will be approximately 120 people attending. The cost is $90 a person/$180 for the team. MJ said we are saving money by moving away from raffles so can spend those dollars to give more personal experiences for attendees.

MJ talked to Peggy and Amanda about how we will use Golf Genius for registering for the Member/Guest which will be the first time we have used Golf Genius for registering for this tournament. There will be an application available to be either downloaded or picked up and filled in with player and partner information. There will be six flights for this tournament.

Memorial League Play Date – October 22nd: Jan

Jan brought this idea up at our prior meeting. She thought we could designate a league play date as a memorial for the members we have recently lost. It would be a day to remember those members while we are playing golf. No luncheon will be held. Jan suggested having the memorial on the first play day after overseed, which is the 150-yard ABC scramble on October 22nd. The Board discussed possibly posting signs with names and/or pictures of those members and providing black or yellow ribbons with pins for players to wear that day.

Miscellaneous:

Sue recognized MJ for updating our bulletin board background at the Clubhouse.

Sue followed up on our previous discussion regarding putting a rule of the month in the newsletter. She asked if any rules questions had come up recently and there were none. After much discussion, the Board agreed to address rules as needed and Sue will contact Karen Bustillo (OLGA Rules Liaison) to get insight into how she selects a rule of the month for OLGA. Karen B. spoke up regarding the black/yellow tee markers and how they are placed by the maintenance crew. She observed that sometimes the position of the tee markers is reversed with the black portion in front of the yellow portion. All agreed this was a maintenance issue. MJ brought up the bunker renovation project that will start in June. Evidently, the bunkers will be treated as "ground under repair" during the renovation. Ann also said parking lot availability will be affected due to construction equipment. Sue will get in touch with Coby and request that he formalize the rules for bunker play during the construction period so everyone is clear on what to do if they land in a bunker. Sue will ask him to address members prior to the shotgun kickoff on Thursday league play and she will provide his guidance in the Newsletter.

Standing Rules Update/Bylaws – Summer Project:

MJ and Sue are going to work on updating the Standing Rules and Bylaws over the summer. This is a time-consuming project to figure out what we want to do with the various committee chairs. Jobs and approaches have changed but the documentation of the roles and responsibilities has not, so some bylaw adjustments will likely need to be made. MJ and Sue will most likely go section by section with the impacted people and document their roles and responsibilities. Then, they will determine what changes need to be made to the Standing Rules and Bylaws. Bylaw changes will need to be presented to ILGA members for approval. An example of a chair position that has evolved is the AGA representative. The AGA representative/chair responsibilities are described as serving as liaison to the AGA, determining the state medallion participants, and handling rules inquiries. Responsibility for tracking State Medallion results has evolved from a manual spreadsheet process to an automated process with the use of Golf Genius to track the standings. Sue mentioned that we currently do not have a rules chair and we could consider whether a rules chair is needed, since the internet is readily available to find answers to rules questions.

Sue confirmed our next meeting will be held September 21st. Judy moved to adjourn the meeting. Karen B. seconded and all were in favor.

Submitted by Vickie Scott, Secretary