

Steering Committee Minutes – October 15, 2019

(Present: Wayne Schwartz, Jimmy Walsh, Bruce Cargill, Dave Marchant, George Cummings, Billy Small, Ed Lipinski, Rick Machen, John McCormack, Ed McNamee)

ITEMS DISCUSSED AT THE MEETING:

Tee Assignment Policy – the purpose of the meeting was to discuss a variety of member recommendations to our tee assignment policy which was change and approved at 9-24-19 meeting.

The committee discussed the suggestions and possible modifications brought up by members since the new policy was agreed upon and publicized after the last Steering Committee meeting. These suggestions included basing tee assignments on age or handicap or a player's average driving distance or some combination of these criteria.

The committee had a lively and detailed discussion with input from everyone present. The committee agreed to remain with the policy change already agreed to at the last meeting. At the September 24th meeting the committee decided to implement a new tee assignment policy starting next season (November 1st). The Steering Committee decided to review the policy change at the season's half-way point (May 1, 2020) to determine if further modifications are needed. The policy is as follows:

Piankatank Geezer Guy Tee Assignment Policy – Implemented November 1, 2019:

- *Players may play from the front tees, senior tees or men's tees at their choice with one LIMITATION.*
- *Only players with a handicap index HIGHER THAN 24 may play from the front tees.*
- *Players may change tees from round to round but are encouraged to play the same tee throughout the season.*
- *Players may not change the tee they are playing from during a round.*
- *Coordinators will handicap a player based on the course handicap for the tee the player has chosen to play from.*
- *For consistency, all rounds, both Tuesday and Thursday, will use this method.*
- *Players will be required to record the tee they are playing from on their scorecard.*
- *Players are encouraged to select the tee best suited to their abilities using the USGA/PGA Tee-It-Forward Initiative.*

NOTES:

- 1. We will be using the forward 3 tee boxes at each of the different courses we play.**
- 2. Different courses use different colors to designate their tee boxes.**
- 3. Some examples:**
 - **Piankatank River Golf Club: the front tees are RED, the senior tees are GREEN and the men's tees are WHITE**
 - **Golden Eagle Golf Club: the front tees are RED, the senior tees are RED/BLACK and the men's tees are WHITE**
 - **The Club at Viniterra: the front tees are BURGUNDY, the senior tees are GOLD and the men's tees are WHITE**