

Piankatank Geezer Guys

Steering Committee Minutes – January 18, 2023

Dave Brown Steve Saunders Hunt Thompson Billy Small Fred Haggerty

George Cummings Tom Shoemaker Wayne Schwartz Coles Buchanan

Agenda Items/Discussion:

1. Pinehurst Trip - Coles reported on plans for the Pinehurst trip. 16 players have signed up plus one alternate. All current information is on the Geezers website.
2. Standardize Regular Round Payouts- Discussion centered on Tuesday and Thursday rounds. The decision was made to establish a payout schedule based on the number of players starting the round (Tom/Billy). That schedule will be presented to the Steering Committee for approval and implemented. Players eligible for payouts are expected to pay the entrance fee **prior** to beginning the round.
3. Standardize All Tournament Formats and Payouts- Discussion centered on two topics;
1-Establishing a standardized format and payout schedule for formal Travel Tournaments (Spring/Fall).
2-Should the informal Pinehurst trip be required to follow any Travel Tournaments standards adopted.
1 -Tom presents a proposed format and 2 payout options for travel tournaments based on best practices from past travel tournaments. The Committee voted to adopt the proposed format and the proposed payout schedule “A”. Both will be effective immediately.
2 - The Committee voted **against** requiring the informal Pinehurst trip to follow the Travel Tournaments standardized format or pay out schedule.
4. Membership Survey and Pace of Play - George presented the results of the survey taken to determine the level of interest members had in serving on the Steering Committee. Results were encouraging showing 1/3 of the members were interested.
-George also presented results of the Pace of Play study conducted and a guide for Defeating Slow Play - 12 Solutions. The Committee concluded that pace of play is an ongoing complaint from many members and each player should be cognizant of their individual pace of play and how it can affect the entire lineup. After review of the communication the Committee agreed to have the results (without names) emailed to the membership and posted to the Geezer website along with the 12 Solutions to Defeating Slow Play.
5. War on the Shore- Dave gave a brief review of the OBX Tournament. 16 players have signed up and all current info is posted on the Geezer website.
6. Piankatank Tee Assignments- Rules section #7(A9) has been changed and posted. The committee agreed that when reporting a player playing from the incorrect tee the Round Coordinators would use the phrase “did not qualify” instead of “disqualified”. After further discussion of the Tee Assignments Rule no other changes were made.
7. Official Geezer Rounds- The Committee voted to continue the requirement for 10 players to begin a round to be recognized as an Official round.
8. Establish Minimum Membership Age- Following a lively discussion on the topic the Committee voted **Not** to establish an age limit for membership to the Geezer Guys.
9. Consider Winter Tee Times- Billy explained that PRGG protects our 9:00 AM tee time and allows us to play a shotgun start without allowing other tee times to get between our groups. If we were to move to a later tee time, they could not guarantee the same accommodation. We will stay with our 9:00 AM winter tee time.
10. Memorial Contribution- Dave made a motion that the Geezer Guys make a \$50 contribution to Abington Volunteer Fire & Rescue Squad in loving memory of Martha Smith Williams who died unexpectedly on January 8, 2023. Martha was Bob Mowers' long time significant other. The Committee unanimously approved the contribution.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Saunders

(Substituting for Mike Reed, Secretary)