

WSDGA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

March 10th, 2020

Location & Time

Subway Restaurant, 3850 Kitsap Way, Bremerton, WA at 5:30pm.

Attendance

Board Members:

Paul Wright, President
Tony Beckett, Vice President
Sam Huff, Treasurer
Lisa Phillips, Secretary
Prescott Mabbutt, Member at Large
Deane Phillips, Member at Large

Members

Greg Kelsay
Dan Glynn

President's Remarks

Paul Wright discussed his concerns with the COVID-19 pandemic that was recently declared and the WSDGA should be prepared to take needed actions to reduce the spread of the virus at the area disc golf courses and to have an alternate plan for the WSDGA annual meeting on April 25, 2020. Winter at the Bud was a success once again!

Comments from the Community

Greg Kelsay expressed his excitement for the upcoming Kitsap Classic and his recent round on the Canyon Course. He also played Fairgrounds recently and arrived early around 8:00 am and the front gate was closed. There was a Facebook message from Trevor McCleskey about the possibility of disc golf at Van Zee Park. Van Zee Park is too small to host a traditional tournament, but could host a small event. Sam Huff stated that a WSDGA member appreciation day at Van Zee Park could be a possibility this summer; possibly BBQ lunch and/or clinics.

Course Discussions

NAD Park

The course is in good condition. Some drainage concerns with the winter weather. Wood chips are needed to be spread in various areas throughout the course. A couple of work parties will be scheduled soon to prepare the course for the DATD and WOTW events. Where to get chips was discussed. Hole 10's tee area. Basket change schedule?

DIScovery

The course is in good condition. Dan Glynn is working with 360 Disc Golf to make signs for the footboards at each tee area. Scheduled completion in 2020. Needs a resource for steel frames. Paul Wright will assist.

Kitsap Fairgrounds

The WSDGA Board discussed that tee signs are a priority to be updated. Several of the existing tee signs have been pulled out of the ground (Not WSDGA approved). Work parties are needed for general course maintenance for the spring brush growth season.

Bud Pell at Ross Farm

The course is in good condition. Hole 1 red tee area needs some support on the back half of the teepad. Hole 2 red tee is home to the experimental alternate tee pad material. The WSDGA welcomes feedback from the alternate tee pad material. Course will be open through September. Discussed possible extra temporary "Farewell Pell" holes.

Van Zee Park

Kiosk needs a roof and a map (project volunteer needed!). Sam Huff is working on replacement tee signs to be installed in the spring. Sam Huff is proposing several course layout changes to align with the targeted player skill set. Relocating basket 1 30 feet shorter, New white tee for hole 2, relocating basket 2 30 feet to the right, relocate basket 5 50 feet shorter and left behind the shelter, new white tee for hole 6. The course layout changes have been discussed at the recent board meetings. Motion to make the basket and tee changes discussed at previous board meetings; motion passed.

Horseshoe Lake Golf Course

The Lakeside and Canyon courses are in good shape. Canyon course hole 9 and 10 have been adjusted to play as a par 4. Future planned course improvements to the Canyon course include concrete tee pads. Expected completion date is summer 2020.

Old Business

Insurance

Paul Wright contacted EHL insurance company and talked about insurance to protect the WSDGA Board. Sports insurance? Still unsure on coverage and costs. Paul stated that he will do more research and report back to the WSDGA Board. Discussion on insurance for board members and events. The WSDGA board agreed that a policy is needed. Two types, director and officer. General liability.

Square Lake/Coulter Creek Heritage Park Report

Advisory park meeting on March 11 at 6:30 to 8:00pm. Paul Wright and Cathy Cohoon attended the February steering committee planning meeting. Disc golf is on the long term plan for the property. Lots of potential and many obstacles to overcome.

Bud Pell Exit Strategy

For the Bud Pell DGC, once the new property owner starts land development, the disc golf course will close. The current expected course closure date is fall of 2020. Paul Wright had a meeting with the new owner about the course exit strategy. The board discussed what to do with and store the course equipment.

WSDGA Website Update

A committee is working on refreshing the website for the WSDGA. Lisa Nienhuser, Brian Johnson, Deane Phillips, Prescott Mabbutt, Cathy Cohoon, are meeting to discuss the design of the club's website. Membership registration on the website would be a great option. Consultant maybe? 4discgolf auto generated welcome email? Steve Carson. Website hosting and WSDGA domain name fees are paid through 2023.

Course Maps and Directional Signs

Discussion on updating online disc golf course directories. Designing and updating course maps. Replacing old directional "next tee" signs on all West Sound courses. Brian Johnson is working on updating the course maps. Sam Huff is working on a new "next tee" sign design. The first set will be used at Horseshoe Lake GC.

WSDGA Year in Review Newsletter

Cathy Cohoon is publishing the WSDGA year in review newsletter. She is waiting for several board member articles and then the final review due by the end of April.

Kitsap Fairgrounds DGC Master Plan

Sam Huff is working on the update to the current master plan for the Kitsap Fairgrounds DGC for desired future improvements. The WSDGA will submit the revised master plan to the Kitsap County Parks Department after the final review by the WSDGA board. The process is long and will require a course design committee to draft the proposal. A preliminary course design is being crafted to update the course to a 18 hole course with Red and Blue tees. Expected date to submit the revised master plan is Summer 2020.

WSDGA Financial Audit

The WSDGA board has requested a routine audit of the financial records and general ledger. Sam Huff has provided the financial records for the past three years to a local auditor. Audit report due back in April 2020. Board discussed the bylaws requirements and if there was a conflict of interest by having a member do the audit. Early reports from the auditor states no issues have been identified and commented on Sam's record keeping Paul's diligence with receipt keeping.

Alternate Tee Pad Material

There has been discussion on alternate tee pad materials. Kitsap County Parks is requesting the use of materials that are non-concrete. The WSDGA is looking into non-concrete tee materials for another option for tee areas. Good reviews! Toe Board? How does it last? Can we use the turf at the NW driving range? Permeable?

Volunteer Appreciation

Sam Huff picked up the 2020 HLGC gift cards. Fifty gift cards were distributed to recognized volunteers that have donated their time to maintain the local courses and grow the sport of disc golf. Go West Sound!

Adopt-a-Hole program

Adopt-a-Hole general course steward program. Allegra Archer is the program lead and is working on the standards and guidelines for volunteers to follow..

City of Bremerton Partnership

Paul Wright will meet with the City of Bremerton to show how the WSDGA membership comes together to support the community. Charity Events, Ice Bowl, WOTW.

New Business

New Player Tournament Clinic

With the upcoming WGE - Women of the Woods event, one of the goals is to grow the sport in all female divisions. The reality is first events can be daunting and intimidating for anybody who does not have the knowledge or know the etiquette of the sport. The WSDGA board discussed the idea of a clinic to teach new and experienced players the proper tournament etiquette and rules. The first clinic is planned for Sunday April 26th at NAD Park. Date is tentative based on COVID-19 status in Kitsap County.

Work Party

NAD Park work party, chip spreading, debris clean up is March 28th.

Handicap League

Discussed the possibility of an 8 week handicap league. Multiple courses? Sanctioned?

Used Discs

The WSDGA is looking at other possible uses for the "Used Disc" program. The inventory of donated discs are starting to accumulate faster than the club can sell them. The club discussed donating the discs to schools, community groups, and starting a "lending library" to get new players interested in the sport of disc golf.

Feather Banners

Sam Huff discussed that the WSDGA should purchase three feather banners for promotional use during WSDGA endorsed events. Motion to allocate \$1,000.00; motion passed.

Assets and liabilities

The WSDGA Board discussed the assets and liabilities of the club. The current report maintained by the Treasurer is up to date.

Membership Report

Current West Sound Membership = 291

NOTE: 2020 WSDGA Memberships are now available online (4discgolf.com) and in-person (any board member). 2019 WSDGA membership expires on April 25, 2020.

Treasurer's Report

Bank Account: \$15,016.00

Total Allocations: \$3,193.00

Allocation - Promotional Feather Banners (\$1,000.00)

Allocation - DISCOVERY Course Improvements (\$243.00)

Allocation - NAD Park Erosion Control (\$100.00)

Allocation - Kitsap Fairgrounds Erosion Control (\$100.00)

Allocation - Kitsap Fairgrounds Kiosk Improvements (\$100.00)

Allocation - Van Zee Park Tee Signs Materials (\$400.00)

Allocation - Van Zee Park Kiosk Roof Replacement (\$250.00)

Allocation - Van Zee Park Safety Netting for Hole 8 (\$1,000.00)

Next Board Meeting Dates

WSDGA Annual Meeting

Saturday, April 25th at 12:00pm

NAD Park, Bremerton, WA

Tuesday, May 12th at 5:30pm
Subway Restaurant, 3850 Kitsap Way, Bremerton, WA

West Sound Events

2020 Tournaments

- **Registration Opens** for Kitsap Classic - March 9 (4discgolf)
- **Registration Opens** for King of the Jungle - March 28
- Wild West Shootout - March 14 (Horseshoe Lake, PDGA C-Tier)
- **CANCELLED** Discing at the Depot (AM, No MA1) - April 4 (NAD Park DGC)
- **CANCELLED** Discing at the Depot (PRO & MA1) - April 5 (NAD Park DGC)
- **Registration Opens** for Salmon Spirit - May 15
- **Registration Opens** for Cascadia Challenge - May 15 (4discgolf)
- **Registration Opens** for Pillage the Village - May 16
- **NEW DATE** Cascadia Challenge - September 26 (Horseshoe Lake)
- **CANCELLED** Midrange Madness - April 25 (NAD Park)
- **POSTPONED** Women of the Woods - May 9 (NAD Park, PDGA C-Tier)
- **POSTPONED** King of the Jungle - May 23 (Kitsap Fairgrounds, PDGA C-Tier)
- Kitsap Classic - June 5-7 (Horseshoe Lake, PDGA A-Tier)
- **Registration Opens** for Throw Pink - June
- Senior Games - July 9 (NAD Park, 1pm-3pm)
- Pillage the Village - July 11 (Fredericksen Wilderness Park, PDGA C-Tier)
- Salmon Spirit - July 25 & 26 (Bud Pell at Ross Farm, PDGA B-Tier)
- Throw Pink - September 15 & 16 (Bud Pell at Ross Farm, PDGA C-Tier)
- **Cascadia Challenge** - September 26 (Horseshoe Lake, PDGA C-Tier)
- Fall Fling - October 10 (NAD Park, PDGA C-Tier)
- NAD Putter Challenge - November 7 (NAD Park, PDGA XC-Tier)

Weekly Random Draw Doubles

- NAD Park Family Doubles - Saturday at 9:00am
- Battle Point Park Family Friendly Doubles - To Be Determined
- Fredericksen Family Friendly Doubles - To Be Determined