

**The Villages Women's 18-Hole Golf Association Board Minutes**  
**April 6, 2026**

**BOD Members Present:** Susan Anderson, Michelle Chung, Dianne Doughty, Janet Gonzales, Vicki Krattli, Janis LeCompte, Jan Mahoney, Debbie Moore, Mazie Rice, Helen Varenkamp, and Mary Wagle

**BOD Members Absent:**

**Others Present: Barb Nilsen**

**Captain: Mazie Rice**

Mazie called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

Barb Nilsen requested a meeting with the board to discuss the actions taken by the board in December. Barb was a member of the ad hoc committee responsible for flight evaluation and index determination. Cindy Fuller, Mazie Rice, and Jan Mahoney were also appointed to this committee. They dedicated several months and numerous hours to collecting data in the hopes of ensuring a fair golf experience for all members. During the October 6 board meeting, Barb proposed that the index method be employed to create flights for regular play. The motion was seconded by Mazie, and all members voted in favor. However, in December, after extensive discussion, it was decided to rescind the October vote and reevaluate the matter. Barb expressed concerns that the Roberts Rule for recission was not fully understood and that Helen had criticized the committee for actions that she believed were beyond its authorized scope.

The board agreed to analyze the data and reevaluate the flights, sorting them by tees rather than by index. Barb shared that the meeting became highly heated and disruptive, leaving her feeling weighed down. She consulted the Roberts Rules and asserted that the board had violated the rule. Barb hoped that given the complexity of the situation and the fact that the violation should have been addressed sooner, the board would reconsider its decision and proceed with orderly conduct, using the Roberts Rules not as a weapon but as a necessary resolution. Barb was most offended that she had been told her committee was "out of scope" recommending the flighting by Index vs. tees.

The board sympathized with Barb's experience but acknowledged that some recollections differed at the December meeting. Mazie and the board expressed gratitude for Barb's willingness to share her concerns and assured her that further discussion would be held to ensure a fair and equitable outcome for all concerned. In conclusion, Mazie informed the board that the committee had never formally disbanded. Janet made a motion that the ad hoc committee for flighting be disbanded and Vicki seconded, all were in favor. The board continued with the discussion after Barb had left the meeting.

**March 9, 2026, Minutes:** Gloria made a motion to approve the minutes, and the motion was seconded by Vicki. All were in favor, so the minutes are hereby approved.

**Co-Captain Report: Mary Wagle** – Mary shared that the invitational is moving along. She has 116 players signed up. She showed us the cover for the brochure. Mary is waiting for one more check from CartWorks but currently we have \$15,050.00 in sponsorship.

**Treasurer's Report: Gloria Landry-** Gloria didn't have much change in the budget other than sweeps.

**VGC Report: Janis LeCompte**– Janis presented the report which is attached to these minutes. Janis does have some concerns with a hole on #8 and where the poles are positioned. She will address this with GMS. She also mentioned to email her if we notice anything of concern and she will pass it along.

**Playdays: Michelle Chung/Jane Hong-** Michelle reported that there were 306 rounds played in March which included guest day. \$443.00 were paid in sweeps.

**Tournaments: Susan Anderson/Vicki Krattli-** reported that Guest Day was well received. Guest Day will be discussed with regards to moving from the By Law's Hospitality to the SOPs as a Tournament. The Charity Event Tournament had 55 players and a total of \$6500.00 in donations. Saturday tournament was short one foursome. It was decided that illness and vacations might have factored into it. Mazie mentioned that she would be happy to make a final blast at the last minute. Beat the Pro is coming up on April 16<sup>th</sup>. Scott requested that he play to his newly adjusted handicap of 5 and Eric from his 3 versus scratch. Tournament Chairs agreed.

**Handicap: Jan Mahoney/Janis LeCompte-** There was much discussion on a rule for handicapping for an index adjustment for unusual circumstances, i.e. someone returning from an illness, injury, surgery. The USGA will freeze the index for a period of time and then after one starts back to golf the adjustment period will calculate 3 or 4 rounds and look at the index before illness and then use those scores for the adjusted index. There is a method that is used. Something to be aware of and to share with the members. Jan is in test mode with one player currently and will have more information at the next board meeting.

**Membership: Dianne Doughty-** Dianne let us know that as of March 31<sup>st</sup>, there are 24 Combo players, 73 playing the two tees, six members playing the combo 2/1 tees and 5 members playing the one tees. Still 108 members, it was mentioned that Dianne go to the newcomers meeting to see if we can recruit there and Mary suggested that it could also be very helpful to have an 18-hole member represent for the Six Clubs.

**Rules: Janet Gonzales** – Janet has been adding her monthly rules to the website. Janet would also like to address the questions she's received in a blast to be coordinated with Mazie.

**Mediation: Helen Varenkamp-** Helen had no issues to report.

### **Old Business**

**Low Gross vs. Next and next step** – There was much discussion on this subject and several Members presenting their thoughts on the subject. Mazie sent out a poll to the membership for their input on this subject and out of 25 responses only 4 subscribed to Net Only, 12 for Low Gross as is, and 7 for a hybrid. It has been a long and arduous ordeal but, in the end, Janet made a motion to keep Low Gross as is, the motion was seconded by Susan, and it was a unanimous vote, so hereby approved. This will now be a closed subject.

**Medallions and Captain's Pins-** Mazie visited Jewels and Diamonds for a second quote. This has been a challenging discussion. Gold and Silver prices have increased significantly, and our budget for each medallion is \$150.00. Since we only need two medallions and do not require a Bell this year, we have decided to postpone the Bell discussion for a later date and proceed with the two medallions. Mary proposed increasing the budget by \$100.00 per award, resulting in a total of \$250.00 in cash prize instead of the medallion. If the winner prefers the medallion, they will be informed that they may borrow the medallion mold to have a medallion made at their own expense. The proposal was seconded by Gloria, and all were in favor. The Board unanimously approved taking the \$200.00 out of the savings account to go towards the awards budget.

### **New Business**

**Moving Guest Day from Bylaws to SOPs under tournaments-**Helen made a motion to move Guest Day from the bylaws to the SOPs under tournaments. It was seconded by Mary; all were in favor so hereby approved.

### **Action Items:**

- Gloria to move \$200.00 from savings account to checking account for Handicap and Club Championship medallions
- Jan, Janet, and Janis to go over and write up something for the index adjustment (freeze) for medical reason, to send out to membership
- Mary will let Dianne know about the "new member orientation" dates.
- Janet to send out April blast for rules.

**Meeting adjourned at 5:37p.m. The next meeting is on Monday, May 4, 2026, 3:30 p.m. in the Cribari  
Patio Room**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Debbie Moore

## Villages 18-Hole Board Meeting February 2,2026

From VGC January 13, 2026

Welcome – Rob welcomed new members of the VGC Dale and Linda. Mike Schwerin will chair the February meeting as Rob will be on vacation. There seems to be a violation of 1.14 as there was a 10:30 tournament scheduled on a Saturday. No outside tournaments should be scheduled before 11:30. George Arnold will investigate and have answers at the next meeting. Rob made a proposal to submit the Players Card to the CBOD which was seconded. There were concerns among the 6 clubs which Michael addressed. A vote was taken and passed 5 for 2 against.

GMS Report – There was significant debris across the course after the most recent storm, however the most notable impact was the 140-foot eucalyptus tree that fell across 6 green. Sod was taken from the Vineyard practice area for repairs and so Vineyard will be closed until further notice. Repairs to the green and surrounding area is ongoing. Justin is building a nursery behind the green of the second hole for future use. Flagged areas throughout the course need signage as to how they should be treated.

Culture of Care – Justin is addressing issues on the monthly report. Janis brought attention to a broken sprinkler on #18 green and questioned if it was ok to walk on the cement liner of the creek. It is fine to walk on, however there is a crack that needs repairing. It was also mentioned the yellow lines be painted more often in the rainy weather. Please don't plant entrance and exit poles in front of curbs. Tee makers on #16 #2 tee box were too far back and too close to the rough. When asked if the rough could be shorter, Justin said it would make the rough too muddy,

Geese – Dave Dimmick will meet with Scott, Ryan Bell and George Arnold to discuss what can be done to improve the geese situation. Teddy Morse mentioned the Par-3 course is covered with goose poop and would like to see something done. Lasers were again mentioned.

Open Items – Bob had us review the Dutch Johnson Memorial Plaque with photos and placement. A motion was made, seconded and all voted in favor to send on the plaque project to CBOD. Brian Dumbrowski is looking for support to do a chainsaw Bear Art Project