

L9GA General Membership Meeting at Meet and Eat on Thursday Sept 15, 2022

Meeting called to order at 11:40am by Lisa Oswald

Election by Marianne Gardner

Slate of nominees for 2023 Board of Directors was presented: President Lisa Oswald, Vice President Marilee Dalbey, Secretary Susan Painter (absent), Treasurer Jody Freeman (absent), Games Coordinator Marge Young. There were no nominations from the floor. The board was unanimously elected.

The By-Laws updates were unanimously approved.

Kids Cafe presentation by Sandy and Gary Bocard

Sandy, a longtime L9GA member, introduced her husband Gary who shared the beginning and growth of the Kids Cafe into a national charitable organization. It started at The Landings and began with making lunches in a middle school to outgrowing the cafeteria and making meals in the current standalone building, to fundraising to build a bigger specially designed building on 33 acres on Chatham Parkway that will handle larger donations and greater meal production. L9GA has raised funds for the last 9 years for Kids Cafe. This year's The L9GA Kids Cafe Golf Tournament: Together for the Kids will be on Oct 27. Elsa Lindenschmidt, this year's tournament chair talked about registration and sponsorship and introduced the 2022 tournament committee- Elsa Lindenschmidt, Pam Schepis and Mary Greene. She also introduced the 2023 committee- Daisy Balmes, Marilee Dalbey, Laurie Redmond and Lisa Traina (absent). Mimi Krupp was acknowledged as a major sponsor of this year's tournament.

First Tee

Donna Bunn introduced the L9GA coordinators of the golf ball donation, Mimi Krupp and Fran Kambour. They announced how many balls had been collected (4409) and Marge Young the winner with the closest guess. First Tee is a character development program through golf. The First Tee program was discussed by Chip Chambers and Ben Robbins who gave some statistics on the benefits from our donations. They sell the balls that they don't use in golf instruction to a company for 20 cents each. This year The Landings Golf and Athletic Club held a Career Day and the First Tee participants were invited to come learn about all the different careers here that touch golf. First Tee is also introducing golf to the Savannah public school system. Three years ago there were 2 golfers in all the local public high schools, not enough to field a team to compete. First Tee donated clubs, bags, and other equipment to all the schools to start them out. Now over 500 kids have been exposed to golf. First Tee participants will be the standard bearers at the 2023 Club Car Championship.

Meeting adjourned at 12:13pm

Respectfully submitted by Carol Barnard as substitute for Secretary Jody Freeman