
OCEAN STATE WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION, INC.
Board of Director's Meeting

DATE: December 12, 2012 TIME: 5:40 PM

PLACE: Greggs Restaurant
North Kingstown, RI 02852

PRESENT:

Trudy Dufault	Co-Founder/Tournament Director
Jackie Booth	President
Pat Dickson	Vice-President
Luanne Googins	Treasurer
Carolyn Brown	Tournament Chairperson
Liz Duguay	Recording Secretary
Kathy Chorney	Corresponding Secretary

ABSENT:

GUESTS: Chris Trenholme Handicap Chairperson

CALL TO ORDER: The President welcomed everyone in attendance and called the meeting to order at 5:40 PM.

BANQUET TOPIC: Since the Vice-President needed to leave early, it was suggested to discuss the Banquet Topic first. Comments received regarding this year's banquet were mixed. Some suggestions included having different tables for check in and the ticket raffles to minimize any confusion, though the ticket sales for both the raffles and the 50/50 chance were good. Having two entrée choices appeared to work fine and enough money was raised for the scholarship. There were some complaints regarding the food, but the service was good and it appears everyone liked the venue. The board discussed the possibility of looking into a having a buffet meal for next year, as it provides the choice of a few more food items. Also, considering the burden of having a few people make baskets, it was suggested to have the basket raffles fall back to the membership for next year.

MINUTES: Minutes from both the October 9th meeting and the Annual banquet of November 4th were reviewed and approved as presented. One of the members commented that scheduling the meetings at a tournament event appears to work well for most board members.

A motion was made to accept the minutes.

VOTED: to approve both the October and Banquet minutes.

TOURNAMENT CHAIR: Several people have come forward to help with the tournaments. In preparation for 2013 season, two people were asked to assist with the duties, Chris Anderson and Jeanne Anthony will be assisting in setting up tournaments held on the East Bay Side. The Tournament Chair also agreed to continue her responsibilities as Tournament Chairperson for the next two years.

**NOMINATION OF COMMITTEE
CHAIRPERSONS:**

The following Committee Chairpersons were suggested for nomination by the president to serve two year terms: Handicap Chairperson – Chris Trenholme, who agreed to continue her role and responsibilities as Chairperson; Rules Committee – Co Chairs, Kris Kennedy and Kathy Mis; Statistician – Elaine Crawford; Publicity - discussion on how effective & effective the publicity position is and in lieu of the position have a photographer to take photos of winners at the tournaments as we have in the past and post on the website. Two members were suggested and will be contacted to see if they are interested. It was suggested to possibly create slideshows of each tournament. The board also discussed options in what to offer for their services as the Association's photographer; Scholarship Chairperson- Vicki Johnson. There was discussion on including on the application if the applicant is a member of OSWGA and also be included as a component on the rating sheet. It was suggested that the board review both the application and the ranking sheet for comments; Nominating – Janina McClosky; Website- Jackie Booth. The President will present her Chair nominations at the next meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The treasurer handed out a written financial report for the months of October & November. She requested to hold onto gift certificates until next year, as members will put their gift certificates towards their membership dues. Also, the availability of providing and handing out free membership certificates were omitted at this years banquet and to remember to have free member gift certificates for next years banquet. With respect to course costs, it appears that some courses have not increased their food costs and this should be taken into consideration when setting entry fees. However, some courses may increase their food & cart fees during the year. Most private courses usually require Board Approval to have outside tournaments held at their courses. It was suggested to contact each course that is on our 2013 to inquire about increasing food and cart prices and determine which courses have raised their prices in the past to determine if entry fees should be raised.

**A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report.
*VOTED: to approve the Treasurer's reports.***

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS:

**Tournament
Chairperson:**

No Report.

Tournament Director:

Provided a printed calendar outlining the dates and the schedule for 2013 is in place. The Tournament Director is considering changing some of the male/female events to public courses. There was discussion on consideration of increasing the entry fees at some of the member/guests tournaments and looking for ways to secure events at other private courses. It was suggested that when possible, limited field events especially at 9 hole courses should be member only events..

Handicap Chairperson: Handed out a report with suggested changes in the handbook. Suggested changes are as follows: increase the handicaps for the Championship Division to include players having a handicap 0-12; A Division players 12.1 – 20.4; B Division players 20.5 – 29.4; C Division players 29.5 and above. Also to cap the maximum handicap a person can use at 36 instead of 40. Currently there are 26 players that have a handicap 0-12.6; 25 players that have a handicap 12.7 to 21.4 and 96 players 21.3 – 29. It was decided to use a 36 max and to leave the handicap cut offs as they are, to continue to pay out according to # in field and to continue to use flights within a division when applicable. Keep partner events the same when a 4 person team handicap is based upon the 2 lowest handicap players. It was brought up that some members have complained about how the handicaps are established for team events especially if they have players with high handicaps playing. Also, it was mentioned that the Board had voted on this in the past “that in tournaments having more than one format, when matching cards are required to match cards in the best ball format”. It was noted that this needs to be changed in the “Tournament Kit”

Scholarship Committee: Nothing to report

Rules Committee: Nothing to report.

Bylaws Change: Nothing to report.

Appeals: Nothing to report

Statistician: Nothing to report.

Publicity: Nothing to report

Nominating: Nothing to report.

Website: Suggested to post a notice asking for an apprentice to assist with the website.

Scholarship: No Report.

Motion was made to approve the Tournament Director's, Tournament Chairperson and all committee's report.

VOTED: To accept and approve Tournament Director's, Tournament Chairperson and all of the Committee's reports.

OLD BUSINESS: 2013 Tournament Schedule- The Board reviewed and discussed the 2013 schedule and made changes and suggestions as needed. There was discussion regarding members who repeatedly have scoring disputes within and how it should be dealt with. The Board decided to continue further discussion on this matter

NEW BUSINESS: The Board provided suggestions and changes for the 2013 handbook.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:09 PM. Next meeting to be scheduled in early February.

Respectfully Submitted,

Liz Duguay

Recording Secretary

