

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

DATE: April 22, 2013 TIME: 3:17 PM

PLACE: Rhode Island Country Club
Barrington, RI 02806

PRESENT: Trudy Dufault Co-Founder
Jackie Booth President
Pat Dickson Vice-President
Luanne Googins Treasurer
Liz Duguay Recording Secretary
Carolyn Brown Tournament Chairperson

ABSENT: Kathy Chorney Corresponding Secretary

GUESTS: Chris Trenholme Handicap Chairperson
Laura Davert Photography Committee
Cheryl Irons Photography Committee

CALL TO ORDER: The President welcomed everyone in attendance and called the meeting to order at 3:17 PM.

MINUTES: Minutes from the March 19th meeting were reviewed and approved as presented.

A motion was made to accept the minutes.

VOTED: to approve March's minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer informed the Board that OSWGA currently has 234 members. Written financial reports for the month of March were handed out and a spreadsheet of gift certificates redeemed to date and the name of the event that they were used. She also mentioned that new to the financial report is a line item for an insurance audit rebate refund. She inquired about the Gift Certificates redeemed and asked if the dollar amount should be listed for free tournaments as well. Currently we do track for gift certificates that have a dollar amount attached, (e.g. \$10 & \$15 certificates), but do not track certificates for free tournaments. The issue was raised that if we do track the free certificates should we also track ALL free tournaments, including the board members as well. To simplify matters, the Board agreed to just track gift certificates handed out at the banquet and to track them on a monthly basis in the financial report.

A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report.

VOTED: to approve the Treasurer's reports.

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS:

TOURNAMENT CHAIR: Provided a written report for the first tournament. She mentioned in her report that everyone enjoyed the breakfast menu vs. a lunch menu at that time of the morning and that the only problem was the lack of rakes in the sand traps.

HANDICAP CHAIR REPORT: No Report, since this is only the 2nd tournament.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR: No report. Everything is going fine, all tournaments, including food selection, carts etc, up to the Quidnessett event have been completed.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE: No report.

RULES COMMITTEE: Nothing to report.

BYLAWS COMMITTEE: Nothing to report.

APPEALS COMMITTEE: Nothing to report

STATISTICIAN: Nothing to report.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Nothing to report. The committee chair, Janina McCloskey has agreed to chair this committee.

WEBSITE COMMITTEE: Nothing to report

Motion was made to approve the Tournament Chairperson and all committee's reports.

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

OLD BUSINESS: The President stated that Janina McCloskey has accepted to chair the Nominating Committee again and that she is considering asking two additional members to the Nominating Committee. Janina also sent a Thank You letter to the Board for her nomination for the Trudy Dufault Award at the November Annual Banquet.
Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) – The president is waiting for Board members to submit General Questions for posting on the website. It was mentioned that there are many questions from members on cell phone use and suggested to include a statement on the website as to the current policy regarding cellphone/smartphone use

NEW BUSINESS: **RIGA/RIWGA Merger** – The Board had a lengthy discussion regarding the Merger between the Rhode island Golf Association (RIGA) and the Rhode Island Women's Golf Association (RIWGA). As a result of the recent meeting held by the RIGA on the Proposed RIGA/RIWGA many of our members are wondering what is happening with the merger and its impact on OSWGA. The Board discussed that possible merger and that it has yet to be finalized as neither of the two associations has voted on the merger. It appears there will mostly be separate tournaments for both the men and the women and that if there is a small field in the women's they may open it up to the male members.

It appears that in order to join the RIWGA you will have to be a member of a member course of either the RIGA/RIWGA. Several questions were raised pertaining to the State Amateur Championship Tournaments and if there can be more than one Championship tournaments, and OSWGA's position on the Merger .It was suggested to post a statement on our website, that OSWGA will remain an independent organization In response to a

question/comment that was made at the RIGA/RIWGA meeting, the Co-founder provided Corporation papers and a photo album of OSWGA events and explained the history behind the organization, including the formation of the Association, and its mission and the first Board . Posting of some of OSWGA's memorabilia on the website was also suggested.

OSWGA Camera - the organization's camera is no longer working and the Board should consider purchasing another one to support the Photography committee and the website's photo gallery.

GVCC Tournaments-formats, Food – Discussed format considerations for this tournament, since the format will not be revealed until after the round. It was suggested to have the Golf Pro select the format from three possible choices. The President will handle the food selection for this event .

Memorial Tournament – The Board had previously decided that on a rotational basis the winners of this tournament will be now be selected from each Division and since the previous winners was always the overall winner which was usually selected from the Championship Division, this year , being a team event and the overall winning team from the A Division will have the opportunity to choose their charity.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM. Next meeting to be scheduled at 5:30 PM on May 23rd at Green Valley Country Club, Portsmouth, RI.

Respectfully Submitted,

Liz Duguay

Recording Secretary

