

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

DATE: June 26, 2014 TIME: 5:43 PM

PLACE: Green Valley Country Club
Portsmouth, RI 02871

PRESENT:

Trudy Dufault	Co-Founder
Jackie Booth	President
Pat Dickson	Vice-President
Luanne Googins	Treasurer
Liz Duguay	Recording Secretary
Chris Anderson	Tournament Co-Chairperson
MaryAnn McLaughlin	Tournament Co-Chairperson
Jenn Moretti	Corresponding Secretary

GUESTS: Chris Trenholme Handicap Chairperson

CALL TO ORDER: The President welcomed everyone in attendance and called the meeting to order at 5:43 PM.

MINUTES: Revised Minutes from the April 28th Board Meeting were reviewed with revisions being made to the second paragraph of the Treasurer's report which was changed to now read "it was decided the gift certificates will be treated differently" and the month of the meeting was changed from November to October 2013.

Minutes from the May 19th meeting were also presented and changes to those minutes were previously completed as a result of earlier email exchanges. Changes to the minutes were in reference to the statements addressing the membership application and statements under 'gift certificates.

A motion was made to accept the revised Minutes from the April 28th meeting and the May 19th minutes as presented.

VOTED: to approve both the revised April 28th and the May 19th meeting minutes.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Handed out May's monthly financial report and an updated "Tournament Report". There was loss of revenue from the tournament held at No. Kingstown Golf course. The carts were expensive and the food prices were high. Due to the increases in the food and cart costs maybe increase the entry fees and if it is a small field to consider ordering food off the menu. It was also mentioned that the food at Exeter was not favorable and service was poor. Another concern was the food at Pawtucket Country Club. When originally contacted to hold a tournament there, no one was told that the kitchen was closed on Tuesdays which may have been changed after the tournament was secured. Due to the format, prior arrangements were to order off the menu.

It was suggested to try and track itemized budgets for each tournament and determine which events entry fees may need to be adjusted based upon previous years costs from the Golf Course. It was also suggested to send out an apology to the members who played at Pawtucket CC about the poor quality of food.

Another issue raised at this time was about playing the remaining holes after a match event/round has been completed and if USGA rules allows for players to finish their rounds. There was discussion about the course allowing players to complete their rounds as well and it appears that USGA does say one way or another for players to complete their rounds as long as the course personnel is agreeable to it. It was suggested to review this subject to obtain a definitive answer.

Someone asked if Gift certificates were transferrable to other OSWGA members and the answer was "NO", they are only good and to be used by the person who received the gift certificate and the name listed on the certificate.

A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

VOTED: to approve the Treasurer's Report

CHAIR REPORTS:

HANDICAP REPORT: No written report. Of the 25 people that received emails about the lack of an active handicap, only two have not complied yet.

TOURNAMENT
CHAIRPERSON:

Provided a written report. The following comments were presented and discussed.

- ▶ Quidnessett Event – comments about slow play and people talking when others were addressing their ball
- ▶ Valley CC – comments were addressed at the April meeting. The pro was very helpful and accommodating.
- ▶ Weekapaug – Everyone enjoyed the course and would like to see it continue to be on the schedule. Kathy Mis was very helpful in making it run smoothly.
- ▶ N,Kingstown GC – Again, slow play was mentioned.
- ▶ Exeter GC- Pro was very helpful. No major concerns. Everyone liked the course.
- ▶ Crestwood – some comments about slow play.
- ▶ Agawam – appears to have gone smoothly.
- ▶ Pawtucket – Players were unimpressed with the Food. Complaint about waiting till the end after everyone completed their rounds to hand out the gift certificates. It was also suggested to have the Championship Division to tee off last. Other players should not have to wait for other divisions. It was also suggested to have the Championship Division tee off last on the last day. It appears it is difficult to accommodate everyone and that divisions should not have to wait for other divisions to complete their round. The most important point is to encourage people to sign up for events especially match play events and having tee times.

WEBSITE:

No Report

STATISTICIAN:

No written report. Due to formats allowing people to pick up their ball if they are out-of-the hole, need to ensure that those players interested in accruing USGA points to hole out at those events. Idea is to have only those individuals who are playing in tournaments having USGA points to have the check-in people ask if they will be playing for USGA points and to indicate that they holed out on the holes and have the scorer initial the card as well.

SCHOLARSHIP: The Scholarship Committee will be meeting on July 10th, to review and rank applications.

TOURNAMENT
DIRECTOR: No report.

A motion was made to accept the Tournament Director's Report and all Chair reports as presented.

VOTED: to approve the Tournament Director's Report and all the Chair's reports.

OLD BUSINESS: *Drop Areas – Discussion whether to have all Divisions be able to use the drop areas when appropriate. It was decided that players be able to use drop areas in the "A", "B" and "C" divisions only and not the Championship Division..*

.Banquet – To be held at the West Valley Inn but will be located in a different building. Everything is booked and will be a sit down dinner consisting of a choice of Prime rib, Chicken or Fish and including pasta and salad served family style. Since it will be the 20 year anniversary, the banquet will be special and suggesting to come up with a price for the meal if someone wants to bring a non-member or guest. . Gift Certificates for volunteers etc. will be handed out at the Banquet as well.

NEW BUSINESS: *Fourball End of Tourney Procedures – Next year do we want to change the format to stroke play for all instead of match play. Also maybe consider having a consolation round on the second day as well as serving lunch on the 2nd day and give a prize for the consolation round winner. It appears a net score consolation round was held in previous years, that way the players are getting more for their money. It could be set up where the players are guaranteed 2 days of golf instead of maybe one and lunch will be provided on the second day and lunch along with a consolation round for players who lost their round. There will be no divisions for the consolation round and will be stroke play. The price will include cart fees for both days as well as lunch.*

USGA Points – addressed in the Chair report. Statistician suggested posting a sign at check-in & record on score card if a player is interested in accruing points.

Junior Player Support - A new item added under "New Business" is a request to support a Junior Player, who is also a new Junior member to OSWGA to provide financial assistance in order for her to attend several national and international tournaments. One of the tournaments which will be held in Florida is the "Optimist Invitational" which draws teenage players from around the world to play in this prestigious event. A first motion was made to send \$250.00 However, a second motion was made to amend the first motion and donate \$350.00. After a lengthy discussion the Board voted to send a \$350.00 donation to be used to cover entry fees and travel costs for the events. This is the first time such a request has been made to the Board in which a junior player was seeking financial support.

***Motion: to send a donation to provide financial for the junior member/player to help cover costs for her travel and entry fees.
Voted : request to donate \$350.00 was approved.***

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Liz Duguay
Recording Secretary

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