

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

DATE: February 19, 2015 TIME: 5:34 PM

PLACE: Montaup Country Club
Portsmouth, RI

PRESENT:

Trudy Dufault	Co-Founder
Pat Dickson	President
Jen Moretti	Vice-President
Luanne Googins	Treasurer
Liz Duguay	Recording Secretary
Erin Mernick	Corresponding Secretary
MaryAnn MacLaughlin	Tournament Co-Chairperson
Peg Cherenzia	Tournament Co-Chairperson

ABSENT:

GUESTS: Chris Trenholme (Handicap Chairperson), Jackie Booth (Website Consultant),

CALL TO ORDER: The President welcomed everyone in attendance and called the meeting to order at 5:34 PM.

MINUTES: January's Board meeting minutes were reviewed and Jen Moretti motioned to accept the minutes as written.

A motion was made to accept the minutes from January's meeting.

VOTED: to approve the January's minutes as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Handed out the monthly financial report for January. To date, there are 80-90 members that have sent in their 2015 membership applications. Last year by this time there were approximately 105 members registered. Other than routine monthly bills, there is nothing out of the ordinary on the financial report.

A motion was made to accept the Treasurers Report.

Voted: to accept the Treasurers Report.

CHAIR REPORTS:

HANDICAP REPORT:

Reported that she did not get as many responses from the Survey that was sent out in December regarding handicap issues. One of the main concerns raised by members is how Divisions are split up for each tournament. Though the handicap Chair has tried to split up the divisions as evenly as possible it appears sometimes the size of the field determines the divisions and not necessarily just the handicaps. Suggested to have a hand out at every tournament telling players how divisions are determined for that tournament which will be displayed at the check-in table. Suggest keeping divisions based upon the person's handicap and for team events will place partners in divisions based on the lowest handicaps for a two person team and the two lowest handicaps for a four person team. Also, consider having flights within a division to make the tournament more equitable among the larger Divisions.

TOURNAMENT
CHAIRPERSON:

No report.

APPEALS:

Chair nominated 4 members to be on the Appeals committee:
Chris Macedonio , Joyce Motta, Jan Voccola and Jackie Booth.

WEBSITE:

Working on Tournament Schedule. Again, reminded the Board to look for a replacement to take over the website duties.

STATISTICIAN:

Update on nominating a new chairperson. The responsibilities is to maintain a tracking system of all the winners of the tournaments who are eligible for USGA points as well as eligible for Player of the Year points.

NOMINATING
COMMITTEE:

Currently looking to fill the Chairperson position.

RULES COMMITTEE:

No report.

SCHOLARSHIP
COMMITTEE:

President recently spoke with Lisa Clark about having scholarship applications available at the upcoming High School Athletic Director's meeting scheduled in May and will get flyers together to hand out at the meeting. Also will talk to Vicki, Scholarship Chair about posting scholarship information in the Newport Daily News.

A motion was made to accept all Chairs reports.

Voted: to accept All Chairs reports.

TOURNAMENT
DIRECTOR:

Due to some conflicts changed some of the dates for a few of the tournaments. The Amateurs will now be held July 15- 17 with the semi-finals and finals on the 17th. The tournament at Harbor Lights Golf Course is now scheduled for July 6th and the tournament for the Par 3 at the Back Nine Golf Course is now July 28th.

A motion was made to accept the Tournament Director's Report.

Voted: to approve the Tournament Director's report as presented.

OLD BUSINESS:

Website Trainee – The president will check to see if there are any members who has the qualifications and would like to handle and take over the responsibilities as Website Chair.

Handbook Update – The book is ready to go to the printer but was put on hold, a bit until new dates were secured for the Amateurs, Harbor Lights and Back Nine Events. Will give the printer the okay and will take approximately 2-3 weeks for printing.

Committee Chairs Search – Still recruiting for the Nominating, Website and Statistician Chairs.

NEW BUSINESS:

Committee Chairs & Members Vote: The following Committee Chairs and their committees were nominated by the Board:
Nominating Committee – still searching for a chair but the following committee members were approved – Anne Drescher, MaryAnn Maclaughlin, Robin Parella & Pat Miller; Scholarship Committee – Vicki Johnsons; Appeals Committee - Jen Moretti(Chair) & Committee – Chris Macedonio, Joyce Motta, Jackie Booth & Jan Voccola; Handicap Committee – Chris Trenholme; Rules Committee – Kathy Mis & Kris Kennedy ;
Tournament Committee – Peg Cherenzia & MaryAnn Maclaughlin

A motion made by Pat and seconded by Luanne to accept the Chairs and committee chairs listed above.

VOTED: to approve the Committee Chair and committee members.

Banquet Venue: Discussion as to why Golf Courses are not considered as a venue to host Annual Banquet. One reason given was not to favor one course over another. It was suggested to prepare a letter and request for proposal (RFP) that will be sent out to various golf courses to obtain quotes and prices.

Fundraisers for Juniors - A suggestion was made that in order for Juniors to play in our tournaments looking for the Board's approval to sell golf related items donated by OSWGA members on EBAY and use the money to pay the entry fees for Junior members. It was noted that since this is a private venture and not an associations venture that it not be publicized or posted on the website.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM. Next meeting is scheduled for March 19th, location TBD

Respectfully Submitted,
Liz Duguay
Recording Secretary

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