

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

DATE: September 22, 2016 TIME: 5:35 PM

PLACE: Kings Crossing Golf Club
655 Old Baptist Rd.
No. Kingstown, RI 02852

PRESENT:

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

ABSENT: N/A

COMMITTEE

CHAIRS: N/A

GUESTS: N/A

CALL TO ORDER: The President welcomed everyone in attendance and called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

MINUTES: Minutes of the August Board meeting were previously sent via email to board members. Minutes were reviewed and Liz motioned to accept the minutes as written. Motion seconded by Carolyn

VOTED: All in Favor

**TREASURER'S
REPORT:**

Luanne handed out the August's monthly financial report. Payed out \$6,000 in scholarship fund awarded to the 6 applicants for 2016. A \$200.00 donation was sent to the North Kingstown Food Bank as requested by the winners of the OSWGA Memorial Tournament. The bill for the Amateur trophy and engraving was also paid in August. An updated and current Tournament Financial Report was also handed out. To date two events loss money, namely Acoaxet and Mohegan Sun tournament. Acoaxet possibly due to the format and amount of money paid to winners or the entry fee. Another consideration was to raise the entry fees and not allow gift certificates for payment at these events.

Two of the scholarship recipients sent "Thank You Letters", Olivia Murray and Katie Um who sent hers via email.

A motion was made by Carolyn and seconded by Peg to accept the Treasurers Report.

Voted: All in favor.

CHAIR REPORTS:

HANDICAP REPORT:

No written report, but handicaps were again discussed. The common theme amongst the players is that everyone should play with players within their handicaps & division. Use 100% of the handicap when setting up the divisions and the division or flights should be set up based upon disparity and number of people. Also need to determine to what to call the breakdown either Divisions or flights and be consistent throughout the season and in the handbook.

TOURNAMENT
CHAIRPERSON:

The Committee handed out a written report summarizing the events of Alpine, Valley, Midville, Quidnessett and Acoaxet. Alpine – No complaints food was good this time around. Course in great shape. Valley CC- Pro and staff was very helpful, Food was very good. Course in great shape. Midville CC – Since this was the first time for the vendor, did not hear any complaints about the food. Quidnessett CC – Food delicious and the Pro Shop was accommodating. Acoaxet CC – Food was delicious and Pro looking forward to having us next year. There were a few complaints from the players at Valley - Slow Play was the main concern. At one Par 5 there were 4 groups on one hole. Midville – Some of the players mentioned that everyone should be placed by their handicaps in the proper division and not in a division that you don't have a chance of winning.

Acoaxet – Points was the main concern. That if two teams have the same score and are eligible for Points that even with Matching cards both teams should receive the Points. Also with 9 holes courses, there is still confusion about how playing the front and the back is explained.

APPEALS: No report at this time

WEBSITE: No report at this time.

STATISTICIAN: No report at this time. However there was discussion again on how Points are distributed for tournaments stemming from a conversation Luanne had with a player. She looked at the points of this individual and it appears that some of the points for some of the events do not match up with what is assigned in the handbook such as for the Amateur and Quota events.

Points are given for the winners for top Gross scores of a tournament within each division for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place. Handbook awards points based upon winners. In addition, points are awarded for both "Net" & "Gross" categories. The Board agreed to discuss this and re-visit the issue especially look at the structure of the points system and how points are awarded during the winter months.

It was decided that for the Players Championship Event, Gift Certificates will be given to the winners for both the Gross & Net low scorers.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: It appears at this point that the current incumbents running for both offices are unopposed this year.

RULES COMMITTEE: No report at this time.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE: No report at this time.

Erin motioned to accept all the Chairs reports, which was seconded by Peg.

VOTED: All in Favor.

TOURNAMENT

DIRECTOR:

Emailed a written report. Received "Thank You" Letters from Quidnesset. Tentatively scheduled for next year; Valley, Kirkbrae & Acoaxet. Erin will be sending letters out to Private Courses to request tournaments for next year. The 2016 "Player of the Year" is Ann Moran and the Players Championship tournament is scheduled for October 2, 2016 with dinner to follow at Scampi's Restaurant. Portsmouth, RI.

A motion was made by Erin, seconded by Carolyn to accept the Tournament Director's report.

VOTED: All in favor

OLD BUSINESS:

Banquet Club Baskets & Updates - Pat will draft a notice to be posted on the website requesting clubs, groups or individual members to create and donate a gift basket to support the scholarship fund. Suggestion was to have copies of the Quick Rules Tag available to hand out to the members. Another suggestion for next year was to have various items and merchandise with the OSWGA logo for sale (e.g. ball markers, towels, hats, shirts, etc.) . Banquet will be held at the Quonset "O" Club located in North Kingstown, RI on November 6th. The two entrees for the Banquet will be Roast Beef & Chicken Françoise.

Fall Election Notices – Only two people have submitted their intent and are currently the current incumbents

Player of the Year Update – see earlier discussion under Tournament Director.

NEW BUSINESS:

Website Committee Update - Pat has selected the following individuals for committee members; Wendy Ossman, Karen Cabral, Shae McWilliams and herself. Wendy will contact Jackie for her input and suggestions and Pat will meet with Erin for her input. The goal is to have the ability to accept payments for both membership and tournaments online and hopefully to link with other databases, if feasible. Will also discuss with members to see what they would like to see in the website.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM. Next meeting is scheduled for October 27th at 5:00 at Winnapaug Golf Course, Westerly, RI

Respectfully Submitted,

Liz Duguay
Recording Secretary

