



Ocean State Women's Golf Association, Inc.

**Board of Directors Meeting
July 2017 Meeting Minutes**

Date: July 20, 2017 **Time:** 5:00 p.m.

Place: Pinecrest Golf Club
25 Pinehurst Drive
Richmond, RI 02812

Present: Trudy Dufault Co-Founder
Pat Dickson President
Carolyn Brown Vice-President
Luanne Googins Treasurer
Erin Mernick Corresponding Secretary
Mary Ann MacLaughlin Tournament Co-Chair
Peg Cherenzia Tournament Co-Chair

Absent: Liz Duguay Recording Secretary

Guests: None

- I. Call to Order:**
The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.
The president welcomed everyone in attendance.



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II. Minutes from the June 2017 meeting:

Pat Dickson presented the minutes for approval.

Motion to approve the June minutes as presented: - Carolyn Brown

Seconded: - Peg Cherenzia

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.

III. Treasurer's Reports:

Luanne Googins presented the Treasurer's Report.

Highlights included:

- A year over year comparison.
- The association is doing fine.
- We haven't received the accountant bill for the tax preparation as of yet.
- The donation letter and check from the OSWGA Memorial Tournament were sent to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Emergency Food Center on behalf of the team of Ann Moran, Maureen Ford, Auring Thornley and Kristin Kennedy.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented: - Trudy Dufault

Seconded: - Mary Ann MacLaughlin

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.

IV. Chair Reports:

Rules: No report

Appeals: Carolyn Brown - Nothing to report.

Handicap: No report

- Trudy mentioned that the TPP program may not be available in the near future.
- Pat mentioned that we may need to consider purchasing different event scheduling software such as Eventman, Golf Genius, etc.

Website: No report

Nominating Committee:

- MaryAnn indicated that she will begin recruiting people for the 3 open positions of Vice President, Corresponding Secretary and Recording Secretary.
- Pat indicated that the list of candidates should be prepared and presented to the board six (6) weeks before the banquet.



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Scholarship Committee: No report

- Pat communicated that Vickie has been on vacation and will begin to evaluate the applications soon.

Statistician:

- Pat stated that the Player of the Year points have been updated and sent to the Website Manager for posting.
- Pat also mentioned that awarding 75 points for entering the tournaments appears to have met the objective. Rewarding loyalty has resulted in different people being eligible to play in the year-end tournament.

By Laws: No report

- Pat mentioned that the By Laws review is due this year.
- Lifting the residency requirement is the only real change.

Tournament Committee:

MaryAnn distributed the Tournament Committee Report.

- A review of the recent tournaments was provided highlighting The Back Nine, Laurel Lane and Winnapaug Country Clubs, stating that she hasn't been receiving many complaints from the members. Everyone seems to be happy.
- The Back Nine - It was mentioned that someone who was DQ'd received a prize for skins. The policy was reviewed and will be enforced going forward.

Motion to approve the Committee Chair Reports as presented: - Carolyn Brown

Seconded: - Peg Cherenzia

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.



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V. **Tournament Director's Report:**

Trudy presented the current Tournament Director's Activities.

- Trudy presented caterers and menu alternatives for the luncheon following the Ryder Cup Tournament at Montaup, as the kitchen will more than likely still be closed.
- The board agreed upon a caterer and deposit.
- There was discussion about a change of format since the next 3 tournaments are listed with the same format. Trudy will continue to investigate alternatives and provide an appropriate recommendation.

Motion to approve the Tournament Director's Report as presented: - Erin Mernick

Seconded: - Peg Cherenzia

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.

VI. **Unfinished Business:**

- Foxwoods Foursome (2) Raffle:
 - The raffle is progressing very well.
 - Tickets will be available for purchase at Potowomut, but not at Cranston
 - Pat will be at Montaup to manage the ticket sales and supervise the drawing following play at the Ryder Cup Tournament.
- Scholarship Update:
 - As mentioned earlier, Vickie has been on vacation, but will begin to evaluate the applications soon.
 - The Scholarship Fund is healthy. The board discussed a temporary adjustment of the percentage of the Net income which goes directly into the scholarship fund.
 - Carolyn Brown suggested that the adjustment begin with the Potowomut tournament and be revisited annually.

Motion to adjust the direction of funds as discussed: - Pat Dickson
Seconded: - Peg Cherenzia
Vote to approve: Unanimous
Motion passed.
- Rules Tags for EWGA:
 - Pat had 40 tags prepared which were presented and well received at an EWGA new member tournament.
 - Pat will be serving at an upcoming Chapter Championship Tournament and will have the remaining Rules Tags available for distribution.
- Next Year's Schedule:
 - The board agreed to rotate more of the courses annually.



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VII. New Business:

- USGA points and RIGA contact
 - Pat received approval to proceed to contact the RIGA regarding OSWGA representation on the State Team.
- Banquet:
 - Carolyn Brown is about to start planning the Annual Banquet.
 - Some suggestions included a buffet rather than sit-down dinner. Pat commented that if we change to a buffet, it must be double-sided serving line.
 - The board discussed swag (bag tags, ball markers, etc.), gift certificates for volunteers, committee chairs, etc.
 - The board will consider and present alternatives to Carolyn Brown.

VIII. Adjournment:

- The meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

IX. Schedule Next Meeting:

- The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 16, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. at Green Valley Country Club (immediately following the tournament).

Respectfully submitted,
Erin Mernick substituting for
Liz Duguay
Recording Secretary