



Ocean State Women's Golf Association, Inc.

**Board of Directors Meeting
January 2019 Meeting Minutes**

Date: January 10, 2019 **Time:** 2:00 p.m.

Place: Warwick Central Library
600 Sandy Lane
Warwick RI

Present:	Pat Dickson	President
	Shirley McGuire	Vice-President
	Luanne Googins	Treasurer
	Erin Mernick	Recording Secretary
	Maureen Ford	Corresponding Secretary
	Trudy Dufault	Tournament Director
	Peg Cherenzia	Tournament Co-Chair
	MaryAnn MacLaughlin	Tournament Co-Chair

Guests:	Chris Trenholme	Handicap Chair
	Claudia Cooper	Member

I. Call to Order:
 Pat Dickson called the meeting to order at 2:09 p.m.
 Pat welcomed everyone to the new season and introduced Claudia to the meeting.

II. Minutes from the December meeting:
 The meeting minutes had been sent to the board members for review.
 There was one change.

Motion to approve the minutes as amended: - Peg Cherenzia
 Seconded: - Maureen Ford
 Vote to approve: Unanimous
 Motion passed.



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III. Treasurer's Reports:

Luanne Googins provided copies of the Monthly Financial Statements.

Highlights included:

- Luanne described the loss in December which was just payment of credit card which included the cart fees, prizes, etc. from the final tournaments of the season.
- The annual transfer of funds to the scholarship fund, including funds from the tournaments held at private courses and a portion of the individual membership fees was also reflected in the December reports.

Luanne also provided a scholarship application/transcript to Pat.

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

Seconded: - Shirley McGuire

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.

IV. Chair Reports:

Appeals: Shirley McGuire - Nothing to report.

Handicap: Chris Trenholme –

- Chris distributed copies of the January Handicap Report. Chris explained the service contract which includes the Help Desk, as well as the ability to back-up and restore files on-line versus the need for a thumb drive. The Board agreed that this convenience is worth the annual fee. Chris will coordinate the payment with Luanne.

Motion to renew the Par Service contract for GolfSoftware: - Erin Mernick

Seconded: - Pat Dickson

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.

- Chris is looking for assistance with input/posting of member scores following the tournaments. Maureen and Pat volunteered to be trained and support Chris this season.



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Membership: No report.

Nominating: Liz Duguay - No report.

Rules: Kris Kennedy & Kathy Mis –

- Trudy mentioned that she was contacted by Kris Kennedy who would like to continue to serve as Co-Chair of the Rules Committee.
- Pat mentioned that she has some people who would like to serve on the Rules Committee. She will review her recommendations with Kathy Mis.
- Copies of the Rules and Decisions will be available to committee members at each of the tournaments.
- Kathy and Pat are working on a rules sheet to reflect the rules changes effective in 2019.
- Some of the “Do’s and Don’ts” will be included in the handbook.
- The Bag Tags will have to be updated.
- Maureen mentioned the possibility of purchasing the new rules book in bulk and having them available for members to purchase.

Scholarship: Vickie Johnson - No report.

Statistician: Linda Paolozzi/Pat Dickson - No report.

- Pat mentioned that she is looking for a statistician for this season.

Website: Wendy Ossman –

- The contract with Constant Contact has been renewed for another year.
- Pat explained the changes to the Membership Application.
- Wendy has updated and published the new form on the website.

Tournament: Mary Ann MacLaughlin and Peg Cherenzia – No Report

Motion to approve the Committee Chair Reports as presented: - Erin Mernick

Seconded: - Shirley McGuire

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.



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V. Tournament Director's Report:

Trudy Dufault provided copies of the proposed 2019 Tournament Schedule.

Highlights included:

- Pricing for members vs non-members
- One less female/male event in 2019
- Trudy identified the change of dates and formats for some tournaments
- Blackstone National (new this season) the Pro will handle everything.
- Plans for the Amateur and Player of the Year special for the 25th Anniversary
- The schedule of courses and dates is final. It's OK to post on the website and send it to the members.
- There was also discussion about having a division of 2 females at some tournaments where members may have difficulty putting together a foursome.

Motion to approve the Tournament Director's Report as presented: - Peg Cherenzia

Seconded: - Erin Mernick

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.

VI. Unfinished Business:

- **2019 Tournament Schedule** – see Tournament Director's Report
- **New USGA Rules for 2019** – see Rules Chair Report
- **February Meeting Location** - and meeting times was discussed.
 - The Warwick Library is centrally located with easy access. The issue is meeting earlier in the day in order to secure one of the meeting rooms.
 - Shirley suggested that the Board consider meeting at the Cowesett Inn. There is a separate room available.
- **Banquet Venue for next year** – Shirley mentioned that she has nothing to report just yet.



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VII. New Business:

- **Timetable for Schedule Release/Posting**

- Pat will begin the review of the open/close dates for tournaments.
- Chris recommended that tournaments not close on the 14th, but rather on the 15th in order to make it easier to obtain current handicaps

- **25th Anniversary Celebrations (?)**

- Trudy mentioned something special for the Amateur and Player of the Year tournaments. Further details will be provided.
- Several Board members had ideas and made recommendations.
- Board Members will research their suggestions and bring the info/samples to the next meeting.
- Ideas for the banquet will be coordinated through Shirley.

- **Rules Meeting/Kick off – March (?)**

- There was discussion about how to handle this get-together.
- The event will most likely be early in April.
- Additional details need to be worked out.

- **Handbook Contents**

- Claudia Cooper made the suggestion that an explanation of the tournaments including the difference between stroke play, metal play, etc. be included in the handbook as some of the new members may not be familiar with the terms.

- **Handbook Timetables**

- The final review of the 2019 Tournament Schedule and Handbook is scheduled for **Saturday, February 16th at 10:00 a.m.** at Pat's house.



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VIII. Schedule Next Meeting:

- The next meeting is scheduled for February 7, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. at The Cowesett Inn, Rte. 3.

IX. Adjournment:

- The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Erin Mernick
Recording Secretary

