

Meeting of the Board of Directors **September 2020 Meeting Minutes**

Date: September 14, 2020 **Time:** Following the Fenner Hill

Tournament

Place: Fenner Hill Golf Course, Hope Valley RI

Pat Dickson **Present:** President

> Carolyn Maney Vice-President Luanne Googins Treasurer

Recording Secretary Barbara Sitter Corresponding Secretary Maureen Ford Trudy Dufault Tournament Director Peg Cherenzia Tournament Co-Chair

MaryAnn MacLaughlin Tournament Co-Chair

None Absent:

Chris Trenholme, Wendy Ossman and Sandy Scanlon **Guests:**

I. Call to Order:

Pat Dickson called the meeting to order at 2:53 p.m.

Minutes from the August meeting: II.

Previously, the meeting minutes had been emailed to the board members for review.

Motion to approve the minutes as presented: - Carolyn Maney

Seconded: - Mary Ann MacLaughlin

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.

III. **Treasurer's Reports:**

Luanne Googins handed out the financial reports to the board members at the meeting. The following items were discussed:

- The loss for net income for August and year to date is the result of the scholarship money that was sent out. There was no loss of net income.
- The Stripe program will deposit money prior to a tournament actually taking place. When this occurs it may appear that there is an inflated amount of money.
- Trudy Dufault asked if there was a fee for refunding money to players in the event of a tournament cancellation. Wendy Ossman and Luanne Googins both concurred that there was not a fee for tournament refunds.
- Barbara Sitter asked for clarification on the finance reports sent out by Luanne Googins. There are some reports that have greens fees and some do not. Luanne stated that some bills obtained after a tournament are not itemized and that the Quick Books software requires itemization and therefore she divides the bill up as best as possible when there is no itemization.



• Barbara Sitter asked for clarification on when the scholarship program receives money from tournaments. Luanne indicated that 10% of the net income from tournaments at private courses only is added to the scholarship account.

III. Treasurer's Reports (Continued):

- A thank you note was received and read to the board from Olivia Murray thanking us for the scholarship.
- Vicki Moretti, a former member of OSWGA, sent a \$100 donation to the scholarship fund.
- A NY Times article was circulated to the board members that was on Samantha Morrell, a former OSWGA Amateur winner.

Motion to approve the May 2020 Treasurer's report as presented: - Barbara Sitter Seconded: - Peg Cherenzia Vote to approve: Unanimous Motion passed.

IV. Tournament Director's Report:

The following is the highlights from the discussion on tournaments:

Crestwood Jr/Sr tournament:

- There was discussion to change the age requirements for this tournament and to raise it prior to the opening of the tournament.
- The reason for the change is due to the small number of Jr. players to pair up with.
- Wendy to run the membership age numbers to see the age split.

The following voting occurred:

- 1. A vote was taken to raise the ages in the Jr/Sr tournament. The result of the vote was unanimous
- **2.** A vote was taken to raise the vote of the Jr. to either the age of 65 or the age of 67. The result was 5 votes for 65 and 3 votes for 67.

The new age requirements for the Jr/Sr tournament will be as follows: A Jr. is a player aged 65 and under and a Sr. player is 66 and above.

Potowamut:

• There is a possibility that this tournament may need to be either cancelled and/or rescheduled. Trudy Dufault is in communication with the facility and will update the board when more information is obtained on dates, etc.

Blackstone:

• Trudy has sent an email to confirm this tournament.

Miscellaneous discussion:

• Barbara Sitter asked about the deadline for Montaup gift certificates. This occurred because the pro shops are run by the course pro not the course and the course pro at Montaup is retiring.

Motion to approve the Tournament Directors report as presented: - Carolyn Maney Seconded: - Maureen Ford Vote to approve: Unanimous Motion passed.



V. Chair Reports:

Appeals: Carolyn Maney - No report

Handicap: Chris Trenholme - No report

Nominating: Carolyn Brown - Pat Dickson spoke on behalf of this committee. There are

some potential nominees for the President and Treasurer position.

Rules: Kris Kennedy & Kathy Mis - No report.

Statistician: Donna Jennings - No report.

Website: Wendy Ossman - No report.

Tournament: Mary Ann MacLaughlin and Peg Cherenzia: A report was given to all

members at the meeting and reviewed. In general, no complaints on any

of the tournaments. These items were discussed:

• Maureen Ford commented that she thought both courses for the Amateur tournament were in bad shape. The intense summer weather and/or heat waves are very challenging for courses. Also, the USGA

sheet given at the Amateurs needs to be updated.

• Chris Trenholme stated that at the Pinecrest tournament an error was made in putting this tournament together but the people who won were

correct.

Publicity: Sandra Harper - No report.

Photography: Betty Jean Shadeck - No report.

Motion to approve the Chair reports as presented: - Trudy Dufault

Seconded: - Peg Cherenzia Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.

VI. Unfinished Business:

• The Player of the Year points update was distributed to the board. The Player of the Year is open to all members of OSWGA, however, the Player of the Year tournament can not be played by a member of the OSWGA Board of Directors.

• The annual year end banquet was discussed in depth due to the current global Covid-19 pandemic. Under the current Phase III guidelines, no more than 50 people can attend an indoor event.

Vote to cancel the 2020 OSWGA Annual Banquet - unanimous.



VII. New Business:

The following new business was discussed:

• Sandra Scanlon, an OSWGA member, asked to address the Board of Directors. Sandra discussed her desire to have a better flight separation as she does not feel that she can compete at times when placed in flight 1. Chris Trenholme explained how the flights were divided by using the top two handicaps in a 4 person team, for instance, or the top handicap in a two person team. This clarification helped Sandra understand how the flights were divided and she was satisfied with the explanation.

VIII. Schedule Next Meeting:

The Next meeting is scheduled for:

October 14, 2020 Zoom meeting

IX. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Sitter

Recording Secretary