



Ocean State Women's Golf Association, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting February 2023 Minutes

Date: February 14, 2023

Place: Montaup Country Club

Present:

Tricia Doherty	President
Carolyn Maney	Vice-President
Beth Penkala	Recording Secretary
Barbara Sitter	Treasurer
Maureen Ford	Corresponding Secretary
Trudy Dufault	Tournament Director

Guests: none

Absent: Laretta Girouard
Auring Thornley

I. Call to Order:

Tricia Doherty called the meeting to order 10:00 am

II. Minutes from the January 2022 Meeting: Beth Penkala

Previous months' minutes were emailed to the board members for review.

Motion to approve the December minutes: Trudy Dufault
Second: Barbara Sitter
Vote to approve was unanimous.
Motion passed

III. Treasurer's Report: Barbara Sitter

1. Profit/Loss Comparison February 2022 was presented with no questions.
2. Balance Sheet as of February 13, 2023, was presented with no questions.
3. All Accounts have been reconciled in Quick Books
4. The Tournament Director Stipend will be changed from a check to direct deposit for the first of each month.
5. The treasurer met with the account in February for tax purposes.
 - i. As to the inquiry whether OSWGA, as a 501 c (7) non-profit, could have fundraising for the Association: Income from members in fundraising is non-



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taxable, however, tournament income from non-members is considered unrelated business income and is taxable. To offset any taxable tournament income, tournament expenses may be declared.

- ii. It was reported that 2023 membership is currently at 74 (last year as of February 13, 2022, membership was at 93). Another email blast will be going out sometime in March 2023 to past members that have not responded for 2023 membership.

Motion to approve treasurer's report: Maureen Ford

Second: Carolyn Maney

Vote to approve was unanimous

Motion passed

IV. Tournament Directors' Report: Trudy Dufault

1. Update information to the 2023 schedule was presented:
 - i. Lake of Isles reduced the fee to OSWGA.
 - ii. Stonington will have a limited menu at players cost available.
 - iii. Meadowbrook change of date to Tuesday, May 2, 2023.
 - iv. Fall River at present is waiting on the course pro to respond to Trudy's inquiries of looking for refund of deposit, alternative date, or it may just run as scheduled.
 - v. Quinnetasset is on hold.
 - vi. Richmond change of date to Thursday, October 19, 2023
 - vii. Allendale will have food available at player's expense.
 - viii. Rivers Ridge noted hole #6 is a dangerous cart driving hole. A special note should appear on the rules sheet for that event.
 - ix. Cranston (three 9-hole Fourball) needs to determine a tie breaker scenario for two teams tie and three team ties.
2. Player of the Year Points will end Tuesday, September 19, 2023.

Motion to approve the Tournament Director's Report: Barbara Sitter

Second: Carolyn Maney

Vote to approve was unanimous.

Motion passed.

V. Committee Reports: none



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VI. Unfinished Business:

1. Revenue enhancing/cost savings possibilities were discussion with a positive outcome for 2023.
 - i. Increase tournament fees by \$5 where necessary (do to cost increases by the golf courses) was approved January 2023 meeting of the OSWGA Board.
 - ii. The tournament director donated the OSWGA internet cost and will pick up the payments in the future. Graciously accepted January 2023.
 - iii. Motion to eliminate favor at the banquet for 2023: Barbara Sitter
Second: Maureen Ford
Move to approve: Unanimous.
Motion passed.
 - iv. Motion to approve no more than \$4000 in scholarship awards: Carolyn Maney
Second: Trudy Dufault
Motion to approve: Unanimous.
Motion passed.
2. Player of the Year Points: Maureen Ford

A detailed report was given in comparison of 2022 Player of Year Points at 85%, 80%, 75%, and 70% for up to five places for individual, 2-person team, 4-person team, 4 Ball 2 person/2day, and Amateur competitions. Through analysis of each of the percentages the following was determined to be the most equitable fit for 2023 OSWGA tournament play:

PLACE	INDIVIDUAL	2 PERSON TEAM	4 PERSON TEAM	4 BALL/2 PERSON/2 DAY	AMATEUR
1	152	76	38	120	152+50
2	120	60	30	88	120
3	92	44	22	64	92
4	68	32	16	44	68
5	48	22	12	32	48



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PLAYER OF THE YEAR POINTS

1. All players will receive Player of the Year (POY) Points when they play in any given tournament (prior to the cutoff date) and they score in the top five positions within their handicap division.
2. Points will be awarded according to the POY Point System established by the OSWGA Board.
3. Ties will be recognized for POY Points
Any player or team tied for first, second, third, fourth, or fifth place positions according to score, in each handicap division, will receive an equal number of POY points for that tournament.

Example:

- Team A and Team B – each score 85 after finishing tournament X.
- Both teams will receive equal number of POY points for first place, in their division, in that tournament.
- For Prizes, however, the scorers for the tournament will match cards according to USGA rules. Team A takes first place gross and receives a prize. Team B might receive a second-place prize or a net prize (depending on the number of prizes given out), or they might not receive any prize even though they scored well in the tournament.

In other words, POY Points are awarded by how you or your team scores (with ties being recognized) in any given tournament. Prizes, on the other hand, are awarded by applying USGA rules for matching cards in the case of ties and Golf Genius then calculates positions and prizes are awarded accordingly.

4. The Medalist (highest scoring player) in the Amateur will receive 50 bonus POY points for that accomplishment. In the case of a tie and no playoff can be played, both players will receive 50 bonus POY Points and both players will be considered Co-Champions for that year's title. This would also apply for multiple tied scores where no playoff is possible.

Motion to approved Player of the Year Points upon acceptance of format by Golf Genius: Maureen Ford

Second: Barbara Sitter

Vote to approve: Unanimous.

Motion passed.



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VII. New Business

1. The 2023 tournament fee exemption was discussed. It was first clarified that all Board Members and Committee Chairs will be provided a free membership into OSWGA. There is a statement in the OSWGA by-laws that requires an annual review of the tournament exemptions to be given to board members, committee chairs, and committee chairpersons. These tournament fee exemptions can be used at any tournament on the 2023 schedule with a few restricted tournaments as recommended by the tournament director and approved by the board. The following fee exemption tier designation was discussed.

TIER #	# OF TOURNAMENT EXEMPTIONS	POSITIONS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS ELIGIBLE FOR THIS TIER
1	unlimited	Tournament Director
2	10	Data Coordinator, IT Coordinator and Treasurer
3	14	Tournament Chairperson(s)
4	6	President, Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, & Recording Secretary
5	0	Photography, Membership, and Recruitment/Publicity Chairpersons
6	0	Appeals, Nominating, & Rules Committees Chairpersons

Note: Tier #2 has been reduced from 20 to 10 tournament fee exemptions; Tier #3 has been reduced from 15 to 14 (co-chairs 7 tournament fee exemptions each); Tier #4 has been reduced from 10 to 6 tournament fee exemptions; and Tier #5 has been reduced from 2 to 0 tournament fee exemptions.

2. No tournament exemptions fees are allowed for Lake of Isles, Stonington, North Kingstown, Back Nine, Valley, Potowumut, and Blissful Meadows

Motion to approve Tournament fee exemptions: Barbara Sitter

Second: Maureen Ford

Vote to approve: Unanimous.

Motion passed.

3. Next meeting date: Tuesday, March 14, 2023, Montaup CC 10 am

VIII. Motion to adjourn at 12:16 pm: Maureen Ford

Second: Trudy Dufault

Vote to approve: Unanimous.

Motion passed