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

DATE: February 25, 2016
TIME: 5:33 PM

PLACE: Gregg’s Restaurant
4120 Quaker Lane-Rte.2.
North Kingstown, RI 02852

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

ABSENT: Luanne Googins

COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

GUESTS:

CALL TO ORDER: The President welcomed everyone in attendance and called the meeting to order at 5:33 PM.

MINUTES: The minutes from the January’s Board meeting were previously emailed to Board members for review. A motion was made by Trudy to accept the minute from the January’s meeting as presented and seconded by Erin.

VOTED: All in Favor.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Though the Treasurer was not in attendance, Peg, the Tournament Co-Chair handed out January’s Monthly financial report in her absence. The topic of free membership was addressed and the question being should Committee Chairs be given free membership, since they also are given free tournaments. Since it is stated in the By-Laws that Committee Chairs are exempt from paying the annual membership dues, than changes to the By-laws will have to be made. Will re-visit this topic for discussion again during the summer meetings. There was a brief discussion in the
Organization moving towards online payment for tournaments and probably membership dues, but this is still a few years away. It was also mentioned that membership is lower than what we had last year at this time.

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

Voted: All in favor.

CHAIR REPORTS:

HANDICAP REPORT: No report at this time.

TOURNAMENT CHAIRPERSON: No report at this time.

APPEALS: No report at this time

WEBSITE: Erin is still working on transitioning responsibilities on the website. Erin has purchased a new computer for the organization’s website. Data is now being transferred to the new computer.

STATISTICIAN: No report at this time.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: No report at this time.

RULES COMMITTEE: No report at this time.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE: No report at this time.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR: No report at this time.

OLD BUSINESS: 2016 Schedule - Schedule has been completed and is posted on the website.
OLD BUSINESS
cont’d:

Tournament Handbook – Everything has been completed and Proofs will be forwarded to Pat. Parts of the handbook has been sent to the Printer and working on the remaining sections. Some things have been removed from the handbook that is unnecessary. Goal is to mail the handbook by the end of the 2nd week of March. The board discussed sending out the tournament information to include the dates, format course and fees as soon as possible in the coming years, so members can plan their events accordingly. Also need to try to get the handbook out earlier at least by the end of February.

Position Info Sheets – Pat is Reformatting the sheets and designing a master calendar of duties & activities for the coming year.

Committee Openings – Could use additional members to volunteer on the various committees as well as helping out during the tournaments. Pat is planning on sending out an email asking for volunteers to join the committee.

USGA Association – Pat spoke with USGA at the “Golf House” and they suggest that our organization can be a non-real estate member since we do not have a physical or fixed location and is not associated with a specific golf course. Will need to send By-laws to USGA along with number of membership.

Membership Applications – coming in slow. Waiting for members to return from Florida, etc.

NEW BUSINESS:

Divisions – Topic came up again and Trudy mentioned that if it is a Rhode Island Women’s State event it should be called Divisions. These terms have been used interchangeably and it was suggested that when formatting the tournaments we can determine if it we will need to have flights within a Division, especially for larger turnouts. It was noted that the handbook uses the term Flights and not Divisions. Flights has previously been approved by the Board.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 7:12 PM. Next meeting is scheduled for 5:30 PM on February 25th at Montaup Country Club, Portsmouth, RI

Respectfully Submitted,

Liz Duguay
Recording Secretary