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

DATE: May 12, 2016
PLACE: Pinecrest Country Club
25 Pinehurst Dr
Richmond, RI

PRESENT: Trudy Dufault Co-Founder
Pat Dickson President
Carolyn Brown Vice-President
Luanne Googins Treasurer
Erin Mernick Corresponding Secretary
MaryAnn MacLaughlin Tournament Co-Chairperson
Peg Cherenzia Tournament Co-Chairperson

ABSENT: Liz Duquay

COMMITTEE CHAIRS: None

GUESTS: None

CALL TO ORDER: The President welcomed everyone in attendance and called the meeting to order at 5:38 PM.

MINUTES: The minutes from April’s meeting were not ready for presentation and will be addressed at June’s meeting.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Monthly reports were handed out and read by members. Membership numbers were provided and compared to last year at same time. (219 vs 234) Taxes were submitted and explained as to difficulties that course deposits make in the accounting records.

A motion was made by Erin and seconded by Carolyn to accept the Treasurers Report.
Voted: All in favor.

CHAIR REPORTS:

HANDICAP REPORT: No report at this time.
TOURNAMENT CHAIRPERSONS: Handled out flyer with individual reports and problems with pace of play, as well as golf course etiquette. Flyer to be made and handed out at check-in.

APPEALS: No report at this time

WEBSITE: Erin is working on creating automatic updates for tournaments and experimenting with format.

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. But noted that the deadline was coming up – Pat delegated to check in with Vickie and ask about publicity and notification. Not many applications in yet.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR: Trudy said things are looking good. Weather and Pro shop location at Carnegie Abbey discussed.

Also made note that, except for the really nice private courses, RIGA is not filling tournaments either.

A question was raised by Luanne as to whether or not Board members need to pay when gift certificates are not allowed for members. Pat designated to look into minutes and send out email if previously voted upon to make that a rule.

A motion was made by Peg and seconded by Mare to accept the Chair and Director’s reports as provided.

Voted: All in favor.
OLD BUSINESS:

Membership updates: 
See comments under Treasure’s report.

NEW BUSINESS:

New member recruitment – discussion to work on welcoming new members (especially from EWGA) and try to encourage attendance. Pat will find out which course they play weekly and attempt to visit and recruit.

Website Rotation of Information: Erin explained how the current website/software operates and its limitations. This to be addressed either if possible on current platform or when we migrate to another.

Fall Election Notices: Brought up to begin the process of letting our membership know which offices are up for election this year.

A question was raised and explained as to what constitutes an acceptable course outside Rhode Island for membership purposes. (course has to be USGA approved and capable of providing USGA verifiable handicap)

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 6:52 PM. Next meeting is scheduled for 5:30 PM on June 9th (rescheduled for June 16th) at Greggs’ Restaurant in North Kingstown, RI

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Dickson, substituting for Liz Duguay, Recording Secretary