



Ocean State Women's Golf Association, Inc.

**Meeting of the Board of Directors
April 2019 Meeting Minutes**

Date: April 25, 2019 **Time:** 4:30 p.m.

Place: Cowesett Inn
226 Cowesett Avenue
West 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

Absent:

Guests: Chris Trenholme Handicap Chair

I. Call to Order:

Pat Dickson called the meeting to order at 4:39 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting

II. Minutes from the March meeting:

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

Motion to approve the minutes as presented: - Peg Cherenzia

Seconded: - Shirley McGuire

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.



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III. Treasurer's Reports:

Luanne Googins provided copies of the Treasurer's Report.

Highlights included:

- The Financial Report for March which included regular expenses, as well as the annual insurance rebate.
- The Profit & Loss year-over-year comparison thru March depicting only incremental cost changes.
- Overall, the association is in "good shape" financially.
- A membership update was also provided - see unfinished business

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

Seconded: - Maureen Ford

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.

IV. Chair Reports:

Appeals: Shirley McGuire - Nothing to report.
Handicap: Chris Trenholme - Nothing to report.
Membership: No report.
Nominating: Liz Duguay - No report.
Rules: Kris Kennedy & Kathy Mis - No report.
Statistician: Donna Jennings - No report.
Website: Wendy Ossman - No report.
Tournament: Mary Ann MacLaughlin and Peg Cherenzia

- Mary Ann highlighted the tournament at Blackstone National, stating that everything was excellent.
- Both she and Peg mentioned the tremendous support they received from the pro and staff.
- One person mentioned that some carts were missing windshields which made things a bit uncomfortable when the rain started. (Torrential rains started late in the tournament.)
- Mary Ann explained that they are in the process of getting new carts, but they hadn't arrived just yet.
- Someone mentioned the "cart path only" due to all of the rain lately.
- Trudy suggested that next time, we try scheduling this tournament in the fall.

Motion to approve the Committee Chair Reports as presented: - Luanne Googins

Seconded: - Shirley McGuire

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.



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V. **Tournament Director's Report:**

Trudy Dufault presented the Tournament Director's Activities.

- Following up on the Tournament Co-chair report, Trudy mentioned that Blackstone National reached out to her for feedback.
- She agreed that everything was excellent and as mentioned above, suggested that next time we should try scheduling this tournament later in the season.
- Trudy indicated that she has already started processing the entries for the tournament at Lake of Isles.
- She further remarked that the Fall River tournament conflicts with the RIGA event at Misquamicut.
- Trudy is still working on some additions to the 2019 schedule and will provide further details when they have been confirmed.
- We have a couple of options for the Player of the Year tournament. An announcement will be made once the details are confirmed.
- One person mentioned that the LPGA – Amateurs received a great deal for their tournament at Melody Hills.

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

Seconded: - Maureen Ford

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.

VI. **Unfinished Business:**

- **Membership update**

- Luanne stated that, not only is membership on par with previous seasons, but that the number of paid memberships is almost identical to this time last year.
- Chris and Trudy mentioned that they received a few new memberships that day.

- **Rules Books/Bag Tags**

- Pat stated that the new bag tags are at the printer and should be ready soon.
- There are 2 versions – the regular Penalty version and a Key Rules Changes version, which is mostly the non-penalty situations.
- When they are ready, she will provide them to the Tournament Committee so they will be available at the next tournament.
- Pat needs the tax ID # in order to place the order for the rules books.

VII. **New Business:**



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- Thank you letter

- Trudy stated that she has the contact person(s) with whom she interacts for the public courses, as many of them are managed by the local Parks and/or Recreation Departments.
- Letters for the private courses should include the board of directors.
- Due to her busy schedule, Maureen requested the full list of contacts so that she will be able to do some prep work in advance.

- Banquet Update

- Shirley informed the Board that the annual banquet is going to be at The Shriners Imperial Room.
- The room is very large and nicely decorated with an area for check-in just outside of the room.
- Dinner options have not been finalized.

- Rules Clinic

- Pat mentioned that instead of a separate rules session, the plan is to have a “rule-of-the day” presented at each tournament.
- Providing an opportunity for discussion and/or questions.
- It was mentioned that the “rule-of-the day” would also be posted on the website to allow everyone an opportunity to become more familiar with the rules.

VIII. Schedule Next Meeting:

- The next meeting is scheduled for May 23, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. at Laurel Lane Country Club.

IX. Adjournment:

- The meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Erin Mernick
Recording Secretary