



**Ocean State Women's Golf Association, Inc.**

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

**Date:** June 20, 2019 **Time:** 4:30 p.m.

**Place:** North Kingstown Golf Course  
615 Callahan Road  
North Kingstown, RI

<b>Present:</b>	Pat Dickson	President
	Shirley McGuire	Vice-President
	Luanne Googins	Treasurer
	Erin Mernick	Recording Secretary
	Maureen Ford	Corresponding Secretary
	Trudy Dufault	Tournament Director
	MaryAnn MacLaughlin	Tournament Co-Chair

**Absent:** Peg Cherenzia Tournament Co-Chair

**Guests:** Chris Trenholme Handicap Chair

**I. Call to Order:**

Pat Dickson welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

**II. Minutes from the May meeting:**

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

Motion to approve the minutes as presented: - Shirley McGuire

Seconded: - Trudy Dufault

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.



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### III. Treasurer's Reports:

- Luanne Googins read a thank-you note from Claudia Cooper for the Bag Tags/Rules Cards that were provided for players at Foster Country Club.
- Trudy mentioned a thank-you from the women at Montaup, as well.
- Luanne read the letter to the RI Community Food Bank that accompanied the donation from the Memorial Tournament which was made on behalf of Carol Cherry, Sandi Harper, Kellie Mungo and Betty Jean Shadeck.
- Luanne provided copies of the Treasurer's Report through May mentioning the breakdown between members vs guests playing in tournaments.
- Tournament financials are pretty standard.
- Overall, the association is in good shape financially.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented: - Erin Mernick  
Seconded: - Trudy Dufault  
Vote to approve: Unanimous  
Motion passed.

### IV. Chair Reports:

- Appeals: Shirley McGuire - Nothing to report.  
Handicap: Chris Trenholme - No report.  
Membership: No report. (see new business)  
Nominating: Liz Duguay - No report.  
Rules: Kris Kennedy & Kathy Mis - No report.  
Scholarships: Board of Directors (see new business)  
Statistician: Donna Jennings
- Pat reported that Donna is up to speed and will have a report to post soon.
  - Chris will start forwarding the results to Donna after each tournament.
- Website: Wendy Ossman - No report.  
Tournament: Mary Ann MacLaughlin and Peg Cherenzia
- Mary Ann distributed the report and reviewed the tournaments at Meadow Brook, Elmridge, Allendale and Cranston.
  - We received great support from the Pro and staff at each of these events.
  - One woman remarked that she just loved going into the club house after golf, mingling with and getting to know everyone. She had a fun day.
  - See the Tournament Director's Report for additional member comments/concerns.

Motion to approve the Committee Chair Reports as presented: - Erin Mernick  
Seconded: - Maureen Ford  
Vote to approve: Unanimous  
Motion passed.



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

Trudy Dufault presented the Tournament Director's Activities.

- A member commented that with all of the rain, maybe we should consider playing preferred lies/lift, clean and place.
- After discussion, it was decided to review the conditions on a tournament by tournament basis and announce any changes as part of the welcome remarks when/if it's necessary.
- There was a concern about the differences surrounding the food at certain venues, i.e., \$10 off the menu vs buffet vs served luncheon. Trudy explained that sometimes the food options change at the last minute. The book is prepared in January. Sometimes the clubs experience issues beyond their control. Therefore, she makes the decision based upon the circumstances with which she is presented at the time.
- A member mentioned that she didn't care for the format at one event. Trudy has noted it and discussed possible changes for next season.
- Trudy mentioned that the people with whom she interacts at Cranston Country Club are always easy to deal with and very accommodating.

Motion to approve the Tournament Director's Report as presented: - Shirley McGuire

Seconded: - Mary Ann MacLaughlin

Vote to approve: Unanimous

Motion passed.

### VI. **Unfinished Business:**

- **Membership Count:**
  - It was noted that the snow birds have finally returned for the summer!
  - Membership to date has surpassed the same timeframe last year.

### VII. **New Business:**

#### - **New Membership Recruitment**

- Sandra Harper has volunteered to do some membership recruitment. She will be visiting clubs with notices/handouts and speaking with women about the OSWGA.
- She has met with some of the non-members who play in OSWGA events with positive results.

#### - **Season Long Hole in One Fund**

- There was discussion and various options suggested for having a hole-in-one fund.
- It was taken under advisement and tabled for further discussion.



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### - Other

- The scholarship applications will be reviewed at the July meeting.
- The closing date to apply is June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- There was a suggestion to modify the scholarship criteria from “full-time undergraduate student” to include both undergraduate and graduate students.
- It was agreed to change the book/criteria for 2020 and beyond.

### VIII. Schedule Next Meeting:

- The next meeting is scheduled for July 25, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. at Foster Country Club.
- The August Meeting is scheduled for August 28<sup>th</sup> at Green Valley Golf Club immediately after the tournament.

### IX. Adjournment:

- The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Erin Mernick  
Recording Secretary