

Ocean State Women's Golf Association, Inc.

Executive Board Meeting December 2024 Minutes

Date: December 10, 2024

Place: Montaup CC, Portsmouth RI

Present:	Beth Penkala	President
	Peg Cherenzia	Vice President
	Margaret Thomas	Recording Secretary
	Maureen Ford	Corresponding Secretary
	Trudy Dufault	Tournament Director
	Carolyn Maney	Tournament Co-Chair
	Lauretta Girouard	Tournament Co-Chair
	Pat Doherty	outgoing president

Absent: Jane Jordan

I. Call to Order: Pat Doherty called the meeting to order at 10:01 am

Pat welcomed the new recording secretary and turned the meeting over to Beth, the new president. Pat thanked everyone for the past two years of support and assistance.

II. Minutes: Beth Penkala
The minutes from November 2024 were sent to the Executive Board for review.

Motion to approve the November 2024 minutes: Lauretta
Second: Peg
Vote to approve was unanimous.
Motion passed.

Beth also thanked Pat for all of her hard work.

III. Treasurer's Report: Sent by Jane Jordan

Motion to approve the November 2024 treasurer's report: Carolyn
Second: Maureen

Discussion: There were questions on the treasurer's report and they will be referred to the treasurer at the next board meeting.

Vote to approve was unanimous.
Motion passed

OSWGA December 2024 minutes submitted by Margaret Thomas, Recording Secretary

IV. Tournament Directors' Report: Trudy Dufault

1. Trudy sent out the tentative schedule.
2. Eliminated the amateur championship due to lack of participation and cost. Also, eliminated the par 3 tournament as it is difficult to get a good course, and the par 3 requires a lot of work. Fees and food increased too much. Maureen suggested eliminating lunch, but others seemed to agree with Trudy.
3. Also eliminated Raceway because of the distance.
4. Added more two-person team formats.
5. Eliminated tournament of champions. Can't justify spending \$800 on this tournament when it's usually the same people.
6. Schedule is starting earlier this year in April.
7. Beth brought up running the amateur in coordination with the tournament in North Kingstown. Tabled for now.
8. Changed the format for Midville. Changed several formats to make things interesting. Beth suggested for the club challenge we should encourage each club to enter at least one foursome. There are back-to-back tournaments in October to avoid DST.

Trudy brought up requiring players to pay the stripe fee or credit card fee, but she is afraid we will lose members. Discussion of paying by check as a possibility. Possibility of registering in person for several tournaments. All of this will create more bookkeeping work.

Discussion of passing the stripe fee onto the members because it costs the organization approximately \$3,000 for the season. Several were in favor of this because that is large sum of money for a small organization. We could let people know when they register that a cc fee will be charged. Long discussion of the possibility of paying by check.

Strip fee discussion tabled for future meeting.

Discussion: Player of the year points but no tournament of champions. Trudy does not think they should give awards to the top 10 people. Board members get to play in a lot of tournaments for free so they probably play in more tournaments. Agreement to recognize top players, including board members, with congratulations but not a prize.

Pat suggested putting the top 12 players, minus the board, in the banquet program.

Motion to approve the December 2024 Tournament Director's Report: Laurretta
Second: peg

Vote to approve was unanimous.
Motion passed.

V. Committee Reports:

Pag asked about the banquet. Some felt the location was a little too far. That was the only issue. Possibly do a lunch next year.

Some thank you gifts for new members have not been given out. Lauretta is holding onto them because she didn't see the people at the banquet.

VI. Unfinished Business:

None at this time.

Sandra Harper did a great job with nominating but Pat did not ask her if she would it again. Publicity was good with photography. Lauretta did a great job. Pat didn't ask committee people because she thought Beth would have more ideas.

Keeping the tournament schedule book. People use it. Will reduce the number to 144.

IT position discussion. Maureen is considering it. Two issues, keeping the web site up to date and running golf genius at the tournaments.

Louann Googins will set up and handle the tournament results with Trudy. Maureen agreed to work with Wendy on the website and to set up the tournaments and membership in golf genius.

Maureen will meet with Wendy. Golf genius contract needs to be negotiated.

VII. New Business:

1. Next meetings of the Executive Board:

- Tuesday, January 14 at 10:00 am
- Tuesday, February 11 at 10:00 am
- Tuesday, March 11 at 10:00

2. Adjournment:

Motion to approve adjournment: Maureen at 11:30

Second: Lauretta

Vote to approve was unanimous.

Motion passed.