

# Ocean State Women's Golf Association, Inc.

## Executive Board Meeting April 2025 Minutes

Date: April 15, 2025

Place: Montaup CC, Portsmouth RI

Present:	Beth Penkala	President
	Margaret Thomas	Recording Secretary
	Maureen Ford	Corresponding Secretary
	Trudy Dufault	Tournament Director
	Jane Jordan	Treasurer
	Carolyn Maney	Tournament Co-Chair
	Lauretta Girouard	Tournament Co-Chair

Absent:	Peg Cherenzia	Vice President
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I. Call to Order: Beth Penkala called the meeting to order at 10:00 am

II. Minutes: Margaret Thomas

The minutes from March 2025 meeting were sent to the Executive Board for review.

Motion to approve the March 2025 minutes: Lauretta

Second: Maureen

Approved

III. Membership

Current membership: 136

IV. Treasurer's Report: Jane Jordan

Treasurer's report and balance sheet presented.

Account balances are on the balance sheet.

Motion to approve the March 2025 treasurer's report: Carolyn

Second: Margaret

Motion passed

OSWGA March 2025 minutes submitted by Margaret Thomas, Recording Secretary

## V. Tournament Director's Report: Trudy Dufault

- A. Schedule updates: Melody Hill has replaced Triggs on July 8.
- B. Schedule cards – Trudy sent thank you card to Pat Dickson.  
Pat sent pdf to Sandy for posting on website
- C. Creative funding – possible other ways to pay for tournaments. Venmo or online banking.  
Discussion ongoing.

Quidnesset is going to charge tax because OSWGA is not tax exempt. Gift certificates will stay at \$20 per person. Anticipated loss over \$200 on this event.

Lauretta said information should go out regarding the elimination of the Championship tournament. Board decided to honor the top ten at the banquet.

Motion to approve the Tournament Director's Report: Margaret  
Second: Jane

Motion passed.

## VI. Golf Genius/website

- A. Banking alternative to stripe fees  
Discussion of whether paying by check should still be an option.  
Bank fees need to be recouped to some extent.  
Maureen did not intend to have the yes/no option for stripe fees, and she is figuring out how to eliminate that.  
Maureen will draft an email to go the membership explaining the new process.

Motion: Beginning with the Meadowbrook tournament, regardless of the form of payment, all entrants will pay the tournament fee listed on the OSWGA website and/or golf genius.

Motion: Trudy

Second: Jane

Approved

Sandy Harper working on updating the website. Cleaning up the website. Eliminating duplications and redundancies.

How many years of records should be on the website? Board decided three years (including current years).

Minutes and agenda go back one year and current year.

Board gives Sandy permission to put all the back records, including photos, on a thumb drive and delete them from the website.

Lauretta will attempt to upload current files to Lake of Isles.

Maureen suggests people look at the website to decide what should be kept.  
Handbook needs to be updated with results up to the current year. Trudy will provide tournament results information.  
Sandy will learn how to archive records so they don't accumulate on the website.  
Player of the year needs to be updated.

Decision needs to be made on the various email addresses linked to board members.  
Maureen is cleaning up the list of committee chairs and board members.  
Decision made that only Maureen and Sandy will receive any emails and they will forward the email to the appropriate person.

Sandy put a stop to a second hack attempt.

Maureen is working with golf genius on Player of the Year points.

Sandy has permission to use golf genius. Sandy is reorganizing the website.

VII. Unfinished Business: none

VIII. New Business:

Jane will begin to look into pursuing tax exemption for the organization.

Boys & Girls clubs are seeking partnerships to run golf events for youth and asking OSWGA to promote their events. OSWGA does not promote others events.

Consideration of fun events at the tournaments.

IX. Next meetings:    May 20 at Montaup at 10:00 am  
                              July 1 Laurel Lane after tournament  
                              August 12 at Montaup at 10:00 am  
                              Sept. 17 at Midville after tournament  
                              Oct. 15 at Richmond after tournament  
                              Nov. 2 at the banquet at Haversham House

X. Adjournment:

Motion to approve adjournment: 12:16 pm Jane  
Second: Lauretta  
Motion passed.

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