

## ORCGA Events and Communication Committee Meeting Minutes

July 14, 2021  
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
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Agenda Item	Notes	Action Item
Review of Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grace reviewed the agenda.</li> </ul>	
Review of Draft Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grace reviewed the minutes from our June meeting.</li> </ul>	Motion to pass minutes: Sara Ward-Paige Second: Kaitlyn O'Hara
Virtual Golf Tournament	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>31 registered so far.</li> <li>Not going to bombard people too much but will continue to send out reminders.</li> <li>Sponsorship packages went out to annual partners.</li> <li>Social media contest during the tournaments (photo using a swag bag item, from the perspective of a golf ball, etc.) – fun for people to get engaged.</li> <li>Looking for volunteers to help Rebecca – or send any ideas you might have to her.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will have a better update in August.</li> <li>• People can register right until the tournament but there will be a deadline registration date to receive the swag bag before the tournament starts.</li> <li>• Hoping to get the swag bags out 2 weeks before the tournament.</li> <li>• August 3 TZone will be focused on the Golf Tournament.</li> <li>• Will continue to promote through social media.</li> </ul>	
2022 DP Symposium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Going to have a bigger discussion at the August 3 meeting.</li> <li>• We think the hotel is going to push for us to have it in person.</li> <li>• There could be capacity/mask rules depending on how everything goes.</li> <li>• Hotel is looking for a decision at the beginning of September.</li> <li>• Dates are February 7-11, 2022.</li> <li>• Hybrid (in person and virtual at the same time) is very expensive.</li> <li>• Possibly record some of the sessions or asking speakers to do a virtual session a week or two later.</li> </ul>	
2023 DP Symposium Location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suggestions for 2023 venues.</li> <li>• Hamilton has reached out to us but its close to Niagara.</li> <li>• Ashleigh looked into Deerhurst and they have the space to accommodate us at first look.</li> <li>• Ideas: Kingston, Brockville, Cornwall.</li> <li>• Would need to check and see what hotels would accommodate us.</li> <li>• Jennifer looked into Kingston a few years ago and they didn't have anything large enough to accommodate us – unless something larger has been built since then.</li> <li>• We looked into London; the fit was going to be tight.</li> <li>• Nottawasaga in Alliston – we held the Locate Rodeo there but never looked into it for DPS.</li> <li>• Casino</li> <li>• River boat cruise – Ophir to send Rebecca more information.</li> </ul>	
Round Table Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CATT course for 2022 – Ophir and Rebecca to discuss partnership offline.</li> <li>• Register for golf!</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chat with Rebecca about sponsorship if you're interested!</li></ul>	
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Next meeting Dates:

- August 3, 2021
- September 8, 2021
- October 6, 2021
- November 3, 2021
- December 8, 2021