

GRAND STRAND SENIOR MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 8, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Fred Welch called the annual meeting of the Grand Strand Senior Men's Golf Association to order at 12:08pm on January 8, 2020 in the back conference room of the Friendly's Restaurant at 4705 N. King's Highway in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Once again, Fred thanked all of the volunteers of the organization, without whom it would not continue to be as successful as it has been for so many years. In addition, Fred asked for all to take a moment to remember those members who had passed away in the past year.

II. ROLL CALL

Gary Crumling asked members to sign a roster sheet as they arrived. Thirteen members were present and two were absent but sent proxies. Those present were:

Fred Welch (President, Player Representative & Tournament Director)
Mitch Jordan (Vice-President, Player Representative & Tournament Director)
Curt Miel (Treasurer & Tournament Director)
Gary Crumling (Secretary, Player Representative & Tournament Director)
Dave Salisch (Tour. Coord./Scorer, Player Representative & Tournament Director)
John Olson (Rules Chairman, Player Representative & Tournament Director)
Ron Whittington (Player Representative & Tournament Director)
Ed Eaton (Player Representative)
Wayne Johnson (Player Representative)
Norm Fay (Tournament Director)
William King (Tournament Director)
Rick Smith (Tournament Director)
Duane Durbin (Member-At-Large)

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 2019 ANNUAL MEETING

Secretary Gary Crumling summarized the minutes from last January's meeting after a motion was made by John Olson and seconded by Rick Smith to waive the reading of the minutes in their entirety. It passed unanimously and the minutes were approved as presented on the website (with the addition of Ron Whittington as being **present**).

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Curt Miel provided documents showing the financial dealings and stability of the Grand Strand Senior Men's Association as well as a proposed budget for 2020. It included 2019's receipts and disbursements and final cash balance as shown below.

<i>Receipts:</i>	<i>Tournament Fees</i>	<i>\$9,553</i>
	<i>Total Receipts:</i>	<i>\$9,553</i>
<i>Disbursements</i>	<i>Golf Balls</i>	<i>\$2,899</i>
	<i>Supplies</i>	<i>558</i>
	<i>Administration Fees</i>	<i>235</i>
	<i>Annual Meeting</i>	<i>188</i>
	<i>Fax & Web Site</i>	<i>615</i>
	<i>Tournament of Champions:</i>	
	<i>Bag Tags</i>	<i>431</i>
	<i>Prize Fund (A) 2,644</i>	<i>3,075</i>
	<i>Total Disbursements:</i>	<i>7,570</i>
	<i>Receipts in Excess of Disbursements:</i>	<i>\$1,983</i>
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(A) Additional TOC prize money from weekly tournament prize of \$556 for a total of \$3,200.

<i>Beginning Cash Balance, January 1, 2018</i>	<i>\$ (130)</i>
<i>Add: Receipts</i>	<i>9,553</i>
<i>Total Cash Available</i>	<i>9,423</i>
<i>Deduct Disbursements</i>	<i>7,570</i>
<i>Cash On Hand, December 31, 2019</i>	<i>\$1,853</i>
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Gary Crumling moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Ed Eaton seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

V. SCORER'S REPORT

Tournament Coordinator Dave Salisch reported that the 2020 schedule is nearly complete. He also indicated that rounds played in 2019 increased by nearly 1,000 over rounds played in 2018, largely due to considerably nicer weather (fewer cancelled tournaments), as well as an increase in new players.

A proposal was made to implement Local Rule 18.3 which is highlighted on the organization's website (gssmga.org). The rule will allow a provisional ball played, with penalty, before looking for a ball that may be in a penalty area. Fred Welch motioned to accept and Duane Durbin seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Dave will spotlight the new rule during introductions at the next few tournaments.

Our organization is also moving to the new World Handicap System. Initially, all indexes have been adjusted to best 8 out of last 20 scores and future changes will be implemented. The course handicap, (index times slope, divided by 113) will also now include course rating minus par. It was started at our tournament on January 6, 2020 at the Grande Dunes (Resort) Course.

In addition, another proposal was made by President Welch to increase the Scorer's fee from \$1 to \$2 to help compensate for the additional work required in moving to and implementing the new World Handicap System. John Olson motioned to accept and Ed Eaton seconded and unanimous approval followed. It will be effective immediately.

VI. GENERAL DISCUSSION ISSUES

1. A request was made to include a third course in the rotation for the Tournament of Champions in November which currently includes Myrtle Beach National (King's North) and TPC-Myrtle Beach. Tiger's Eye was suggested and everybody approved its start in 2021.

2. Tournament directors were reminded to confirm prize certificates and their usage, confirm course contracts well in advance of the tournament date, review all tournament director instructions to reduce errors at tournaments and remind members that we play SAFE-READY-GOLF to encourage pace of play. Also, players are reminded to drop off completed, signed and verified scorecards (and closest-to-the-pin markers) BEFORE going to the parking lot.

3. Much discussion surrounded “late-comers” to our tournaments and “walk-ins” and “no-shows”. All three situations make the tournament director’s job considerably more difficult. Please observe the 1/2 hour before tee time schedule for signing in and paying fees; avoid being a walk-in by verifying with your player representative you WILL be playing no later than the Wednesday before a tournament; and, be sure to avoid being a no-show (and \$5 fee) by informing somebody if you cannot play (after signing up to do so).

4. Everyone was reminded that the gssmga.org website is for business only and that the Tournament of Champions winners DO NOT qualify for the following year’s Tournament of Champions.

VII. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Curt Miel has elected to step down as the treasurer and Fred Welch thanked him for the fine job he has done handling the financial aspects of our organization for the past few years. Gary Crumling has accepted the responsibilities of the treasurer for 2020 and Ken Rheault has agreed to take over the responsibilities of the secretary for this year.

All other officers have agreed to continue in their present capacities for the current year.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Gary Crumling to adjourn; it was seconded by Norm Fay. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 2:08pm.

2021 ANNUAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2021
FRIENDLY’S RESTAURANT
MYRTLE BEACH