

Austin Senior Golf Association
Minutes: Meeting November 8, 2018

ASGA President Shawn Higgins called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm in the Lions Golf Course meeting room. Seven of the nine board members were present. Delegates-at-Large Barkley Edwards and Steve Darby were absent. Seven visiting members attended the meeting: Don Greenway, Wayne Patterson, Joe Noon, Chuck Brewer, Lee Lambert, Jim Millan, and Melvin Hitchcock.

President's Report

President Higgins announced that the meeting would be conducted in three parts. The first part would be devoted to concluding old business by the existing Board. This would be followed by the second part, the election of new officers. Finally, the third part of the meeting would be conducted by the new officers.

Vice President's Report

Vice President Paul Redden Announced that the audit committee had reviewed the Treasurer's accounts and certified that they agreed with the Association's Financial Statement for the Fiscal Year. The Board having been provided a copy of the statement, he asked for a motion to approve the statement. Jack Scruggs made a motion that the Financial Statement be approved and Sam Jenkins seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved and the motion passed.

Secretary-Treasurer's Report

Secretary-Treasurer Sam Mihalik had previously emailed draft copies of both the minutes of the Board meetings of August 26, 2018 and the electronic meeting of September 20 – 22, 2018. Additional copies were provided to attendees. Mihalik asked that the requirement to read the minutes aloud be suspended. Tournament Chair Sam Jenkins offered a motion to accept the minutes as written. Vice President Paul Redden seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of both meetings.

Election of Officers

Past President Travis McWhorter introduced the members of the nominating committee and announced the proposed candidates for the following offices:

President	Paul Redden
Vice President	Travis McWhorter
Secretary- Treasurer	Sam Mihalik
Tournament Chairman	Sam Jenkins
Handicap Chairman	Bill Burke
Parks and Recreation Representative	Jack Scruggs

McWhorter then asked those attending if there were any additional nominations for these offices. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to accept and elect the proposed candidates by acclamation. Wayne Patterson moved that they be accepted by acclamation and Joe Noon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by everyone present.

Next McWhorter addressed the election of the two delegates-at-Large. Originally the nominating committee had three candidates, but one candidate withdrew leaving the following:

Delegate-at-Large	Don Greenway
Delegate-at-Large	Lewis Howell.

Sam Mihalik entered a motion to accept the two by acclamation and Joe Noon seconded the motion. The members present voted unanimously to accept the motion.

Outgoing President Higgins Thanked the board members for their service during the past year and endorsed teamwork as the key to having a successful organization. He then turned the meeting over to the newly elected Board at 1:20 pm.

New President's Message

President Paul Redden stated that he would like to have more members participate in ASGA Board meetings. Past President Shawn Higgins complimented the new president on his management of the association's website. Redden responded by encouraging all members to read the online blog at www.austinsga.org. He stated his goals for the coming year which included getting the website into a position where he wouldn't have to spend so much time maintaining it.

Parks and Recreation Representative's Report

Jack Scruggs commented about the Tournament Chair's struggle with the City in planning next year's tournament schedule and how difficult the process must be with the future of Lions not yet settled. He reminded everyone that the Parks and Recreation Department is conducting a public survey to determine the best way to use the land near Lake Walter E. Long. The City needs to gather input about the currently yet to exist city owned golf course there. Don Greenway added that at the last meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board, there were 28 fishermen and only two golfers present to provide input.

Tournament Chair's Report

Chair Sam Jenkins presented the tournament schedule for 2019. He has added two new formats. The first is best two-person total net out of a four-person team. This is different from the past year's two-person team total net. The second new format is called the President's Cup. This takes the place of the former A-B-C-D tournament format and is a form of match play. The president appoints two team captains who alternately choose their team members. Captains then align their teams. Everyone on the winning team will be awarded \$10, whether or not they win their individual match. Next year's President's Cup is scheduled in conjunction with the annual dinner.

Wayne Patterson noted that the tournament rules had been recently amended to limit score to four strokes above par. He asked whether we could amend it to three strokes above par. Sam Jenkins said he would look into it, but that he thought it would probably not be a good idea because the change would disproportionately affect the individual golfer's handicap.

Final Comment

President Redden stated his second goal is to create a better signup process than the one we currently have in place. Lee Lambert asked that any signup procedure should consider the high heat index and its impact on older golfers.

Adjournment

Jack Scruggs moved that we adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by Joe Noon and the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 1:47 pm.

Presented to the ASGA Board of Directors for approval

Sam Mihalik

Secretary-Treasurer