

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF

Golf Course Superintendents Association of America Student Chapter

ARTICLE I-NAME

The organization shall be known as "The North Carolina Student Chapter of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America at North Carolina State University."

ARTICLE II-PURPOSE

The purpose of this chapter shall be (1) to serve as an official organization for students interested in golf course management, and to provide them with information about career directions and the credentials needed to become a golf course superintendent, (2) to promote and advance the profession and enrich the quality of golf and its environment, and (3) to provide an avenue for an exchange of information and ideas between students and golf course professionals in their geographical area/nationally and GCSAA.

ARTICLE III-AFFILIATION

This organization shall comply with the requirements to become and remain an affiliated Student Chapter of the GCSAA until it fails to meet the requirements or until a formal request to end the affiliation is filed.

ARTICLE IV-MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The membership may be classified or categorized as Members, Associate Members, Affiliated Members and Honorary Members.

Section 2. Members shall be full-time undergraduate-, associate- or graduate-degree seeking students enrolled at North Carolina State University, with an interest in golf or becoming a golf course superintendent, and who are interested in improving and promoting the purpose of the profession and the Student Chapter.

Section 3. Members shall be full-time undergraduate-, associate- or graduate-degree seeking students, paying dues, retaining voting privileges and student membership in GCSAA and who are eligible to hold office.

Section 4. Associate Members shall be any interested alumni or faculty member (turfgrass, agronomy, horticulture, plant and soil sciences, entomology, etc.) on staff at North Carolina State University.

Section 5. Affiliate Members shall be and student(s) interested in golf, turfgrass, agronomy, horticulture, plant and soil sciences, entomology, etc.

Section 6. Honorary Members shall be any person(s) or cooperation(s) who contributes to the spirit, service or advancement of the Student Chapter at North Carolina State University.

ARTICLE V-PRIVILEGES

Section 1. Members of the Student Chapter shall have the right to attend meetings, vote, hold office and serve on all committees. Members of the chapter must also be student members of the GCSAA. Student Chapter members are given three months from becoming members in which to obtain student membership in GCSAA. They shall receive all the benefits of the Student Chapter and GCSAA membership.

Section 2. Associate, Affiliate, and Honorary Members shall be granted social privileges of the Student Chapter and are welcome to serve on committees, but not have the right to vote or hold office.

ARTICLE VI-EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. Officers

The officers of the Student Chapter shall be:

1. President
2. Vice President
3. Secretary
4. Treasurer
5. Chapter Relations Liaison (*appointed, Article VI, Section 12*)

Section 2. These officers shall constitute the executive committee of the Student Chapter. In this body, the authority for the governance and general operation of the Student Chapter shall be vested. A faculty advisor will also serve as an ex-officio member of the executive committee. The president shall be the chair of this committee.

Section 3. The executive committee shall, during the interim between the meeting of the Student Chapter, have the power and authority to administer and perform all acts and functions not inconsistent with the constitution and bylaws or with actions taken by the membership.

Section 4. The executive committee shall prescribe the amount of dues necessary for the operation of the Student Chapter prior to the first regular meeting of the chapter as an affiliated chapter of GCSAA. The amount payable as dues may be revisited and rectified as deemed necessary by the executive committee in accordance with financial obligations.

Section 5. The executive committee may disapprove of appointments made by the president and will be responsible for the correction of any unethical or inappropriate actions by any officer. The executive committee may bring impeachment procedures in order to rectify such actions. A majority of the executive committee is required to constitute a quorum.

Section 6. A vacancy occurring in any office (except that of the president) between elections shall be filled by a majority vote of the executive committee for the unexpired balance of the term of such office.

Section 7. In the event of a vacancy in the office of the president, the vice president shall become the president to serve the unexpired term.

Section 8. The president

The president shall be the chief executive officer and coordinate all Student Chapter communications outside the Student Chapter.

The president shall:

- a.) Preside over all meetings of the chapter and executive committee and serve as ex-officio member of all committees;
- b.) Set meeting agendas and submit the same to the secretary for copying distribution;
- c.) Allocate duties and responsibilities to other elected officers beyond stated duties;
- d.) Appoint, nominate or have elected all committees and chairpersons in consultation with the executive committee;
- e.) File the *President's Annual Report* with the GCSAA within 15 days after the last regular meeting of the year.

Section 9. The vice president

The vice president shall assist the president and have authority as and assume the full duties of the president in case of his/her absence or incapacity.

The vice president shall:

- a.) Familiarize himself/herself with the duties of the executive committee and may serve as ex-officio to either of the standing or special committees;
- b.) Act as liaison between the committees and the executive committee; and
- c.) Be assigned additional duties and responsibilities by the president, consistent with the needs of the Student Chapter.

Section 10. The secretary

The secretary shall:

- a.) Maintain all records of the chapter;
- b.) Conduct the correspondence for the chapter;
- c.) Record minutes of all meetings of the chapter and executive committee;
- d.) Provide copies of the minutes to chapter members;
- e.) Notify members of forthcoming meetings;
- f.) Keep attendance records of chapter and executive meetings;
- g.) Keep the membership roster updated and provide GCSAA with a copy;
- h.) Provide GCSAA with the names, addresses and telephone numbers of all elected or appointed officers of the chapter;
- i.) Assist the president with the writing of the *President's Annual Report*;
- j.) Upon termination of office, transfer all records to successor;
- k.) Keep abreast of all members' affiliation with GCSAA.

Section 11. The treasurer

The treasurer shall:

- a.) Keep the accounts and financial record system, collect the debt and make payments as authorized by the executive committee;
- b.) Coordinate the collection of all dues/fees/charges;
- c.) Report to the membership the Student Chapter's financial status at each meeting and have records available for inspection upon request;
- d.) Upon termination of office, transfer all bank signature cards to successor; and
- e.) Assist the president with the writing of the *President's Annual Report*.

Section 12. The chapter relations liaison

The chapter relations liaison shall:

- a.) Initiate and maintain a high level of communication between the Student Chapter and the local or state GCSAA affiliated chapter; and
- b.) File the *Chapter Relations Liaison Report* with GCSAA **within 15 after the last regular meeting of the year.**

Section 13. The faculty advisor

The faculty advisor shall:

- a.) Provide insight and direction into the proper ethical and professional standard of a golf course superintendent. S/he shall have no voting privilege.

ARTICLE VII-ELECTIONS

Section 1. Elections of officers for the academic year will be held no later than December 1.

All officers shall be elected annually. The officers-elect will be installed and begin their one-year term of office immediately following their installation.

Once an election is held and completed, the *Student Chapter Officer Roster Form* must be completed and returned to the GCSAA national office within 30 days.

Section 2. Nomination: All Student Chapter officer nominees shall be members of the Student Chapter in good academic standing and a member of GCSAA.

Nominees for office must have completed at least one semester of the professional program.

Nominations (when possible, two names shall be submitted for each elected position) of officers shall be held two weeks prior to the set election date, and shall be taken from the floor during a general meeting or in writing.

Section 3. The election shall be by ballot of a quorum vote of Student Chapter members for each office. Officers will be elected by a majority of votes taken. All members have

one vote. Tabulations must be done immediately, and election results posted and winners notified. In the event of a tie, a run off election shall be held immediately. A run off election is a final contest (as a election) to a previous indecisive contest.

ARTICLE VIII-DUES AND FEES

Section 1. The Student Chapter will collect dues from its members.

Section 2. Upon payment of the Student Chapter dues, an individual will become a member of the Student Chapter.

Section 3. The dues fee shall be established annually during the first executive committee meeting and prior to the first regular meeting of the entire membership for the academic year.

Section 4. All dues and funds collected shall be for the exclusive use of the Student Chapter toward the accomplishment of its goals, objectives and obligations. No portion of the funds shall be used to benefit any individual(s).

ARTICLE IX-MEETINGS

Section 1. The Student Chapter shall meet twice monthly for the transaction of regular chapter business. The dates and locations of these meetings will be decided by the executive committee and announced to the student membership.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the president or executive committee provided no less than two days' notice has been given to the membership in writing and/or by phone.

Section 3. A quorum shall be defined as two-thirds of all members.

Section 4. Parliamentary sources used by the Student Chapter shall be either Sturgis Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure or Robert's Rule of Order.

ARTICLE X-COMMITTEES

Section 1. Committees will be formed as deemed necessary by the chapter.

Section 2. The president in consultation with the executive committee shall appoint each committee chair.

Section 3. All committees shall report their proceedings to the executive committee at the chapter meetings and submit a written report at the end of the leadership year.

ARTICLE XI-LIAISONS

Section 1. In consultation with the executive committee, the president may appoint any active student member(s) as liaison(s) to other organization(s) with which an arrangement of this nature will be of mutual benefit. The executive committee will need to determine the place of the liaison(s) on that committee.

ARTICLE XII-ANNUAL REPORTS

Section 1. Reports listing the activities of the Student Chapter and those co-sponsored with a GCSAA affiliated chapter during the academic year must be submitted to GCSAA's Student Programs Coordinator within 15 days after the last regular Student Chapter meeting of each year. Both the president and the chapter relations liaison are required to submit reports at the end of the academic year.

ARTICLE XIII-AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Proposed amendments to this constitution shall be submitted in writing to the executive committee for review.

Section 2. This constitution may be amended after a reading of the proposed amendment(s) at two general Student Chapter meetings and a two-third vote of a quorum approved the amendment(s) during the second meeting.

ARTICLE XIV-RATIFICATION

Section 1. Ratification of this constitution shall consist of being heard at a general meeting of the Student Chapter of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America and by receiving approval by a two-thirds vote of a quorum.

DATE OF ADOPTION

SIGNATURE OF OFFICERS

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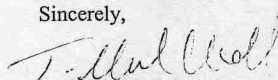
We have reviewed your organization's constitution and officers list and everything seems to be in proper order. You are now a registered student organization at North Carolina State University entitled to all privileges accorded by that status.

Understand that this registration in no way gives the University or Student Government responsibility for any financial liability that may be incurred by your group. Your status does, however, give you the opportunity to approach the Student Senate with a request for funds and gives you certain on-campus solicitation privileges. Additionally, this status enables you to link your student organization's homepage to the University's Web, and to access the services provided by the Student Organization Resource Center.

Please be aware that we ask each student organization to update its file whenever there is a change of officers and at the beginning of each school year. Failure to do so will result in a loss of registration.

We look forward to working with you. Good luck with your new group.

Sincerely,



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