

Lakes Region Industrial Golf League



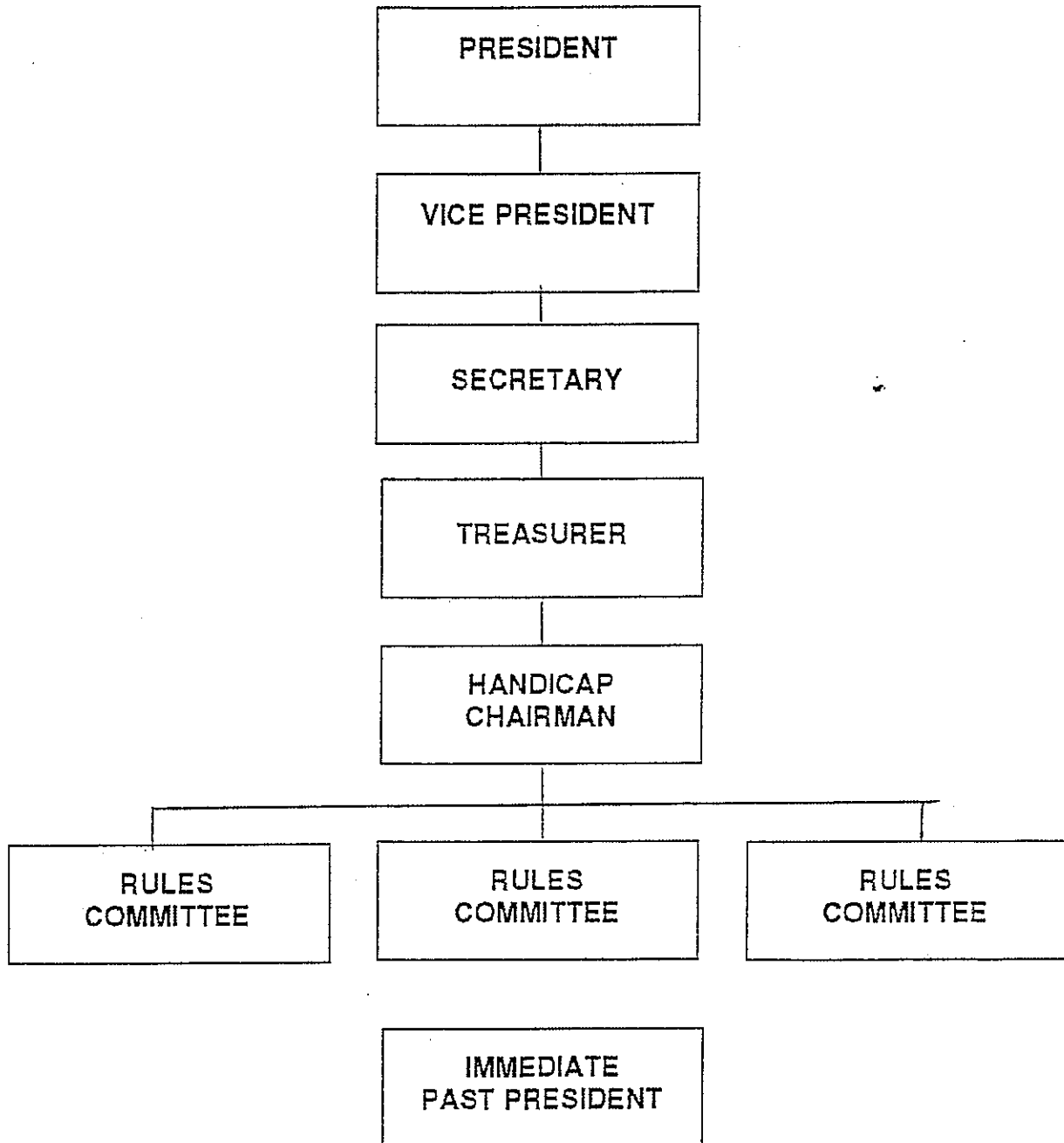
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INTRODUCTIONS

The By-Laws are the governing constitution of the Lakes Region industrial Golf League. The re-structure of the By-Laws shall establish a better understanding of the duties and procedures of the league.

ARTICLE I

PURPOSE AND OBJECTS

Section A. To create and foster a spirit and understanding of the etiquette of golf and its rules.

Section B. To promote the principles of golf and of team play.

Section C. To take an active interest in the league and the rules of golf.

Section D. To unite the league in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and a mutual understanding of a team player.

ARTICLE 11

PARLIAMENTARY PRACTICE

Except as otherwise specifically provided in these By-Laws, all questions of order or procedure with respect to a meeting, or action of this league, its Executive Board or any committee appointed here under, shall be determined in accordance with "Robert's Rule Of Order" and the U.S.G.A. Rules of Golf.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP

Section A. A member of the league is entitled to all rights and privileges and subject to all obligations which membership confers or implies, without limiting such rights and obligations. Such rights shall include eligibility to seek, if qualified, any office in the league. And the rights to vote on all matters requiring a vote of the membership. Such obligations shall include regular attendance, prompt payments of dues and assessments, and conduct those results in a favorable image. Only members in good standing may exercise the voting privilege and hold office in this league, as well as being entitled to a fair and speedy hearing on all matters concerning the league.

Section B. The right to participate in all league activities and awards as long as all necessary requirements have been completed in accordance with the By-Laws.

Section C. Wait Listed PLAYERS are dues paying members, who will be placed on a team, as soon as a member drops out of the league. They will be placed on a team in accordance to "League Rules Article III Scoring Section D". Upon arrival he shall pair-up and tee-off when ready. Wait Listed Player enjoy all the privileges of membership as stated in Article III Section A., with the exception of the awards of Most Valuable Player and Best in Position. All Wait Listed Players must comply to the Rules and By-Laws of the league.

ARTICLE IV

PRESIDENT

Section A. The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the League, he shall have the Sole responsibility of the Executive Board and the league. He shall be the "Tie Breaker" vote on all matters in accordance with the league policy.

ARTICLE IV PRESIDENT - Continued

Section B. Under the direction of the President, it shall hold no less than two (2) board meetings per month, starting in January each year to the first league meeting in April, as well as monthly meetings during the season. The first goal will be to set the "Schedule of Events" for the coming year and adopt a newsletter and mailing to all of the past years league members. The mailing must consist of a newsletter, schedule of events, a list of the Executive Board and one (1) application. This will be mailed by the middle of February each year.

Section C. The President shall appoint a minimum of two (2) members from the Executive Board to serve on the Nomination Committee the last Thursday in July of each year.

ARTICLE V

VICE PRESIDENT

Section A. The Vice President is the second officer in command.

Section B. If the President is unable to perform the duties of his office for any reason, the Vice President shall occupy his position and perform his duties with the same authority as the President.

Section C. The Vice President shall, under the direction of the President supervise the committee functions of the league.

Section D. The Vice President shall assist the President in his overall duties.

ARTICLE VI

SECRETARY

Section A. The Secretary is an officer of the Executive Board under the direction of the President and the Executive Board.

Section B. The Secretary shall take all minutes of all meetings and call a "role call" of the membership.

Section C. The Secretary shall submit typewritten reports and an oral reading of minutes at regular league meetings and Executive Board meetings. He shall maintain such minutes from year to year.

Section D. The Secretary with the Direction of the President and Executive Board shall post weekly notice of news. Send out a yearly letter to all league members for the up coming year. This will include all information in accordance to Article IV, Section B, of the By-Laws.

Section E. The Secretary shall maintain a current mailing list of league members from year to year.

Section F. The Secretary shall post each year, a list of league members to include "Arrival Time" and "Telephone Number."

ARTICLE VII

TREASURER

Section A. He receives all dues owed to the league prior to, or at the first two qualifier rounds with a signed and completed application.

ARTICLE VII TREASURER – Continued

Section B. The Treasurer is responsible to collect all Assessment fees from the membership by payment method prescribed by the Executive Board.

Section C. The Treasurer is responsible to maintain accurate records of Assessment fees paid by each League Member.

Section D. The Treasurer shall keep all records of league funds and deposit funds in a recommended bank approved by the Executive Board.

Section E. The Treasurer shall make all disbursement of funds with the authority of the Executive Board and in accordance with the By-Laws of the league.

Section F. All checks and vouchers shall be signed by the President and the Treasurer.

Section G. The Treasurer shall have custody and maintain a general record of league finances, and shall prepare and submit a monthly financial report to the Executive Board.

Section H. The Treasurer shall make a financial report to league members at the end of each year at the annual Awards Banquet.

Section I. All disbursement for league prizes shall be under the direction of the Executive Board.

Section J. The Treasurer shall oversee that funds are left at the end of each season in the league treasury to begin the following year. The amount to be determined by the Executive Board annually.

ARTICLE VIII

HANDICAP CHAIRMAN

- Section A.** The league member who is to be nominated for this position must be knowledgeable of the league Handicap System. All handicaps must be in accordance with U.S.G.A.
- Section B.** As Handicap Chairman, he must keep all records of past years of league members averages and post all handicaps, averages and calculations of the averages.
- Section C.** The Handicap Chairman will make up the necessary amount of teams prior to the beginning of league play and assign league members to their position by averages.
- Section D.** He will be responsible for updating the handicap averages of each league member every two (2) weeks and posting weekly matches.
- Section E.** All records of present and past league members must be kept for a period of three (3) years.
- Section F.** The Handicap Chairman is responsible to set the averages with the Executive Board for any league tournaments where handicaps are needed.
- Section G.** The Handicap Chairman will keep the averages of all substitute members and post same by weekly.
- Section H.** The Handicap Chairman shall determine placement at all tournaments, according to averages or handicaps.

ARTICLE IX

RULES COMMITTEE

- Section A.** The Rules Committee shall be appointed by the President. He shall appoint three (3) league members to serve on this committee.
- Section B.** The members of the Rules Committee must have some knowledge or willingness to learn the U.S.G.A. Rules of Golf.
- Section C.** The Rules Committee shall report all disputes concerning the League Rules and By-Laws, course rules, and U.S.G.A. rules to the Executive Board to set a hearing on such matters. The Rules Committee and the Executive Board shall review and make the final decision.
- Section D.** The Rules Committee's primary duty shall be to interpret and convey the understanding of all the rules of U.S.G.A., course rules, By-Laws and the League Rules.

ARTICLE X

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

- Section A.** The immediate Past President shall serve on the Executive Board after the completion of his Presidency from the previous year and not subject to a vote from the membership.
- Section B.** The immediate Past President shall remain on the board until replacement by the out going President.
- Section C.** The Past President if so chooses can remain on the board, if the current President is re-elected to another term.

ARTICLE X IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT – Continued

Section D. The immediate Past Presidents duties shall be to help enlighten and share his past knowledge with the board on all aspects of the league. He will take his place as a member of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE XI EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section A. A minimum of eight (8) officers shall serve on the board to constitute a full Executive Board. No individual will be eligible to hold office on this board unless he is an active member in good standing of the league. No officer shall receive any compensation for any services rendered to the league.

Section B. The President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Handicap Chairman, shall be elected by the league members at a special Election Night, to be held each year on the last night of regular league play in accordance with the By-Laws.

Section C. The President shall appoint a minimum of three (3) members to the Rules Committee who will serve on the Executive Board.

Section D. The immediate Past President shall serve on the Executive Board.

Section E. In order-to constitute a meeting of the Executive Board two thirds (2/3) of the board officers shall be present.

ARTICLE XI EXECUTIVE BOARD - Continued

Section F. The President and Officers of the Board may serve as many years as they wish, but still must be elected in accordance with Article X11, Section A. of the By-Laws. The Executive Board shall be under the guidance of the President and be responsible to see the execution of all the policies of the By-Laws and Rules of the League and to assist the President in all functions of the league. All business agenda shall be shaped by the board for presentation and approval of the league membership at special or regular meetings.

Section G. Changes may be made to the league rules by the Executive Board without the approval of the league membership vote. Review of the rules must be completed only during the winter organization meetings.
All changes must be posted and read at the first league meeting. Any and all changes made to the league rules, may not conflict or contradict the league By-Laws.

Section H. The Executive Board shall authorize the Treasurer to review all expenditures and he shall not create any indebtedness without Executive Board approval, nor authorize disbursement of league funds for purposes inconsistent with the business and policy authorized by the league membership.

Section I. The Executive Board will make all decisions on all matters concerning dismissal of a league member after a hearing for un-sportsmanship conduct, disregard of the By-Laws or Rules of the League. The action approved by the Executive Board shall be final.

Section J. The Executive Board may remove and replace a board member for justification, by a vote of the board for lack of non-fulfillment of his duties.

ARTICLE XI EXECUTIVE BOARD – Continued

Section K. The Executive Board shall hear all complaints of league members and set a hearing to air such complaints and correct in accordance to a vote of the board.

ARTICLE XII

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Section A. The Nomination Committee shall submit a list of candidates to fill the positions of the Executive Board on the first Thursday in August. Nominees shall be reviewed by the Executive Board. The Nomination Committee will post on the Bulletin Board the list of nominees to fill positions on the board the second week in August. Elections will be held on the last regular night of play at a special Election Night. Nominations will be accepted from the floor at this election.

ARTICLE XIII

EXECUTIVE BOARD VACANCY

Section A. If the office of the President shall become vacant for any reason, the Vice President shall advance in office. According to rank all officers shall move up in rank. In the event such provisions for advancement shall fail to fill the office of the President or Vice President, the Executive Board shall call a special election, giving each member in good standing a one week (1) notice with the time and place of the meeting. The time and place shall be determined by the Executive Board, and such office shall be filled at said election meeting.

Section B. In the event of a vacancy in any other office, other than the President, the Executive Board shall appoint a league member to fill the unexplored term.

ARTICLE XI EXECUTIVE BOARD

LEAGUE MEMBER HEARING

Section L. A League member who requests a hearing with the Executive Board must adhere to the following procedure.

1. A hearing shall be scheduled to address the League member's concern(s) during a regularly scheduled Executive Board meeting.
2. The League member shall document his issue(s) and distribute 9 copies to the Executive Board for review at the meeting.
3. The Executive Board shall interview the member and discuss the concern(s).
4. The Executive Board shall not act on the member's concern(s) during the course of the meeting.
5. The Executive Board shall meet and come to a decision on the member's concern(s). The decision of the Executive Board shall be final.
6. The Executive Boards decision shall be documented, signed by the President and mailed to the member by the Secretary.

ARTICLE XIII EXECUTIVE BOARD VACANCY – Continued

Section C. In the event vacancies shall be of such number as to reduce the number of the Executive Board to less than the number required for a quorum, the league membership shall have the power to fill such vacancies by an election held at a special meeting. Prior notice must be posted one (1) week in advance of such meeting. Such notice may be given by any remaining officer, but if none, then by any league member.

Section D. In the event any officer-elect, before his term of office commences, is unable or refuses for any reason to serve therein, the President and Executive Board shall nominate a league member in good standing to fill the position.

Section E. If in the interim between the nomination meeting and the election meeting, any nominee is unable for any reason to serve in the office to which he was nominated, and for which office there was no other nominee, the nominating committee shall submit at the election meeting, names of additional nominees for that office

ARTICLE XIV

AMENDMENTS

Section A. The By-Laws of this league can be amended. All amendments submitted must be written and addressed by "Article" and "Section". The Executive Board must consider the merits of the amendment before notice to the membership to vote. The presence of two thirds (2/3) of the membership in good standing shall be necessary for a quorum at any meeting.

ARTICLE XIV AMENDMENTS – Continued

Section B. No amendment shall be put to a vote unless written notice thereof and posted on the Bulletin Board no less than two (2) weeks prior to such meeting specifying the amendment change.

Section C. No amendment shall be approved unless two thirds (2/3) of the quorum vote to adopt said amendment.

Section D. The Executive Board upon approval of such amendment will attach it to the Lakes Region Industrial Golf League By-Laws.

ARTICLE XV

NEW BY-LAW PROCEDURES

Section A. The By-Laws are the governing constitution of the Lakes Region Industrial Golf League.

Section B. All changes must be completed in the same manner as Article XIV, Section A-D of the Amendments.

Section C. A new By-Law may be submitted in writing to the Executive Board for consideration and presentation to the membership.

Section D No new By-Law shall be put to a vote unless written notice thereof is posted on the Bulletin Board no less than two (2) weeks prior to such meeting specifying the new By-Law. No new By-Law shall be approved unless two thirds (2/3) of the quorum vote to adopt said new By-Law.

ARTICLE XV NEW BY-LAW PROCEDURES – Continued

Section E. The Executive Board upon league approval of a new By-Law will attach it to the Lakes Region Industrial Golf League By-Laws.

ARTICLE XVI

DUES

Section A. The dues for this league shall be determined each year by the Executive Board during their winter meetings, and a notice given each year by mail in their newsletter. All dues for this league must be paid by the beginning or no later than the second qualifier each year, before being declared a member and placed on a team.

ARTICLE XVII

ASSESSMENT

Section A. The assessment fee for each week of play shall be determined each year by the Executive Board during their winter meetings, and a notice given each year by mail with their newsletter.

ARTICLE XVIII

LEAGUE FUNDS

Section A. All funds collected from the league membership shall be budgeting to the designated activities of the league in accordance with the Executive Board and the membership. No disbursements of league funds shall be made for contributions. Donations shall be done by private collections in accordance with the wishes of each league member.

ARTICLE XIX

PRESIDENT'S CUP

- Section A.** This tournament must be played each year at the half way point of the season. This tournament must be played on a "Quota Point" Handicap System. This tournament shall be continuing from year to year.
- Section B.** The winner of the tournament is to have his name on the Presidents Plaque and receive a President's Cup Trophy with his name engraved with the year the championship was won and to be presented at the Awards Banquet.
- Section C.** To qualify for this tournament, each league member must have completed three (3) weeks of nine (9) holes of play in the first half. This is necessary to form a proper handicap. The President's Cup will be played and determined by the highest points accumulated. The point quota will be determined by the Handicap Chairman. In the event of any ties, there will be a subsequent round of nine (9) holes played to determine the winner. There shall only be one (1) winner. Playoffs will be held during a regular league night.
- Section D.** When a playoff is necessary to determine a winner, a subsequent round consisting of nine (9) holes, must be played within three (3) weeks of regular league play. The President and Handicap Chairman must be notified of the date chosen for play of the tiebreaker. Contestants must play their regular night match or round and at the end of play must turn in their card to the Handicap Chairman.

ARTICLE XX

AWARDS BANQUET

- Section A.** The Awards Banquet is a night of recognition and presentation of awards and prizes. All league members are to receive a minimum of one prize by the drawing of names. All excess funds from the league shall be disbursed in the same manner.
- Section B.** All awards shall be in the form of plaques, gift certificates or prizes. This is in accordance with U.S.G.A.
- Section C** The awarding of plaques each year shall be governed by the Executive Board and posted in the Rules of the League, (except the President's Cup which is under By-Laws, Article XIX, Section B).