

S.M.G.A. By-Laws

ARTICLE I – NAME – PURPOSE

Section 1. The name of this group shall be the “Shawnee Men’s Golf Association”. (S.M.G.A.) (SMGA to save space here)

Section 2. The purpose of this Association shall be to promote social and competitive golf among the members.

ARTICLE II – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership in this Association shall be open to male golfing members of the Shawnee Country Club who upon application for membership and payment of requisite dues shall thereupon become members of this Association.

ARTICLE III – ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. The annual meeting of this Association shall be held in October at the close of the golfing season. Timely notice of such meeting shall be given to the members.

Section 2. The attendance in person of ten (10) members shall constitute a quorum at any annual meeting.

Section 3. Two weeks prior to the date of the annual meeting the president shall appoint a nominating committee of three members whose purpose shall be to present a slate of officers for the following year.

Section 4. At each annual meeting the officers of the Association shall be elected as provided herein. The general membership may nominate from the floor candidates other than those recommended by the nominating committee.

ARTICLE IV – EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. The affairs of the Association shall be managed by an Executive Board consisting of the officers, the immediate past president and the chairmen of standing committees.

Section 2. The Executive Board shall meet at the call of the President. Four members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS – DUTIES

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer.

Section 2. The officers shall be elected as provided herein at the annual meeting to serve until their successors are elected. Vacancies occurring between annual meetings may be filled by the Executive Board.

Section 3. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Executive Board or the members, and shall use his best to forward the interests of the Association. He shall be an ex-officio member of all committees and shall have general supervision and direction of the affairs of the Association. He may vote only when necessary to break a tie.

Section 4. The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in case of his absence.

Section 5. The Secretary shall act in both a recording and corresponding capacity and shall record the minutes of all meetings of the Executive Board or the members.

Section 6. The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds of the Association. He shall collect all items owing to the Association, safely keep its funds in an account in the name of the Association in such bank as the Executive Board shall designate, the same to be disbursed by check signed by such officer or officers as may be designated by the Board. He shall make a periodic report of receipts of disbursements when requested by the President, and shall make a summarized report of the fiscal affairs of the Association at the end of the golf season at the annual meeting. He shall keep a roster of members and deposit dues received in the Association bank account.

ARTICLE VI – COMMITTEES – DUTIES OF COMMITTEES

Section 1. The newly elected President shall appoint the chairmen of the following committees for the ensuing year; the appointed chairman of each committee shall select such additional members of the committee as he deems necessary.

A. Tournament Committee: The duties of this chairman and committee shall be to arrange the detail of and conduct all regularly scheduled tournaments.

B. Handicap Committee: The duties of this chairman and committee shall be to make certain that a handicapping system is available to each member of the Association and that the procedure and method of recording handicaps is in full compliance with all elements of the USGA system of handicapping. In the event of any change in the USGA system in the procedure, computation, and/or method of recording handicaps, such change shall automatically apply to and become part of this paragraph of these by-laws, the USGA system to be used in its entirety in the Shawnee Men’s Golf Association program.

ARTICLE VII – ELIGIBILITY FOR TOURNAMENTS

Section 1. A member shall be ineligible to compete in any handicap tournament unless he shall have five (5) posted scores for the current year.

Section 2. Eligibility for participation in the President’s Cup and Governor’s Cup tournaments: Five (5) 18-hole scores must be posted for the current year prior to competing.

Section 3. Eligibility for participation in the Club Championship: Ten (10) 18-hole scores must be posted for the current year in order to qualify.

In addition to the above requirement – every responsibility to the Country Club and SMGA must have been met.

ARTICLE VIII – DUES

Section 1. The annual dues for membership in the Association shall be in such amount and payable in such manner as fixed by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE IX – AMENDMENTS

Section 1. These by-laws may be amended or revised at any meeting of the Association by two-thirds assenting vote of those present; provided the proposed amendment has been mailed or presented to each member ten days prior to the meeting.

Section 2. A member may be expelled from the Association by the unanimous vote of the Executive Committee, for any reason what-so-ever, provided such member had the opportunity to address the Executive Committee in person to state his objection to such disciplinary action. Any member so expelled shall receive in full current dues he may have paid to the Association.

ARTICLE X – GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS – YOUR HANDICAP

Following are the requirements for posting of scores in SMGA:

1. Before posting your 18 hole score, adjust the gross score, based on your handicap, according to the current USGA procedure. The current adjusting instructions are posted on the bulletin board.
2. Monthly update handicap cards will be issued to each member of SMGA. The cards will be available in the golf shop. Participation in SMGA tournaments is open to all PAID members, however, you must have an “ESTABLISHED HANDICAP” to be eligible for prizes or trophies.
3. The Association dues pays for the computer Handicap System, as well as printing and mailing costs and other expenses of your Association.
4. New members are to post their gross scores, as there is no basis for adjusting until a handicap has been established. Five eighteen hole rounds are required to establish a Computer Handicap.