



Constitution and By-laws

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STONO FERRY WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

As amended on December 3, 2011, June 14, 2008 June 9, 2015 and December 2, 2023

ARTICLE 1 – NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Stono Ferry Women's Golf Association.

ARTICLE 2 – PURPOSE

The purpose of this organization is to sponsor organized activity among women golfers, promote good golf ethics, and provide an atmosphere of fellowship.

ARTICLE 3 – MEMBERSHIP

Any woman who holds a golf membership in The Links at Stono Ferry or reciprocal courses shall be eligible for membership in this Association. Members must be at least 21 years of age and have paid the established dues to the Stono Ferry Women's Golf Association.

ARTICLE 4 – OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and two directors. All officers will serve for a term of one year and may be re-elected for one additional one-year term. These officers serve as the Executive Board.

ARTICLE 5 – ADOPTION

This constitution and by-laws shall be adopted by the Association at a business meeting open to all members for whom at least seven days 'notice of the meeting has been given. A simple majority affirmative vote of those present at such meeting shall constitute adoption.

ARTICLE 6– DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of this Association, all obligations shall be discharged and the remaining surplus dispersed as the membership deems.

ARTICLE 7 – AMENDMENTS

This constitution and by-laws may be amended at any business meeting of the Association by a simple majority vote of the members in good standing present at the meeting. Any member may submit a written request for amendment to the President or Vice-President at least thirty days prior to the scheduled meeting. After review, the Executive Board may share the proposed amendment to the full membership at least seven days prior to the scheduled meeting.

STONO FERRY WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION BY-LAWS

1. QUORUM – A quorum to conduct business shall consist of at least twenty-five percent of the members in good standing.

2. FUNDS – This is a 501(c)(7) non-profit social club. The association shall be authorized to raise funds by accepting donations and contributions and charging entry fees when necessary for the purpose of promoting the club tournaments. Membership dues may be assessed annually. Membership dues amounts may be determined annually and require approval of a simple majority of those members present.

3. HANDICAP – All members who wish to compete for Association awards and/or participate in tournaments will be required to establish and maintain a USGA Handicap. A current handicap will be defined for the SFWGA as one with 5 recorded scores within the past 6 months or 10 recorded scores within the past 12-months prior to the tournament.

4. MEETINGS – The association shall hold a minimum of two business meetings each year. Generally, these are held on Opening and Closing Days.

5. ELECTIONS - A nominating committee will be selected by the Executive Board prior to the final meeting of the year. The committee will present a slate of officers at the meeting. Nominations for officers will also be taken from the floor. A simple majority vote of the members in good standing in attendance shall select the candidate to fill the position.

6. DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

President – Presides at all meetings of the Association including the Executive Board, calls meetings as necessary, and appoints committees. She may also represent the Association in dealings with other women's golf associations, the General Manager, and the Men's Association of the Links at Stono Ferry.

Vice President – Assists the President and, in her absence, performs the duties of the President.

Secretary - The secretary shall maintain accurate records of all meetings of the association, including member information. The Secretary may also prepare and distribute correspondence for the Association to all members. She may notify members of meetings and activities of the association and the league.

Treasurer - The treasurer shall be the fiscal agent of the association. She shall be the custodian of all funds of the association and execute all checks and payments of the association's funds.

Directors - The directors shall represent and support the activities of the association as needed with specific responsibilities assigned by the President annually.

7. VACANCY OF OFFICE – In the event the President leaves her office before the next election, the Vice President will take her place. For any other office that is vacated before the next election, the Executive Board may select and appoint a replacement to serve the remainder of the term.

8. COMMITTEES – Committee Chairs may be appointed as needed by the President and may serve for a term of one year.

9. AUDIT – An audit may be called for if determined necessary by the Executive Board or by request to the Board by members in good standing. All financial and administrative records may be reviewed by a member in good standing upon request.