

MISGA ANNUAL MEETING APRIL 2, 2019
PROSPECT BAY COUNTRY CLUB

ATTENDEES:

Board Members in Attendance:

President - Malcom Peterson; Vice President – Jeff Hild; Treasurer - Gary Manion; Secretary - Chris Pariseau; Jim Wilcox – Associates Chair; Errol Myers – Audit Chair; Pete Sorge – Events Chair; Lloyd Stimson – Historian; Carl Lazar – Membership; Bob Hodges – MISGAGRAM; Wayne Rowland – Rules and Handicap; Greg Morris – Tournaments Chair; Jake Jacobi – WEB Master and Division Directors listed below.

Division Directors and Club Reps in attendance:

Division 1 – Malcom Peterson (Prospect Bay) - Assistant Bob Hodges (Wild Quail)

REPS: Tom Ciandella and Bob Gerhold (Prospect Bay)

Uday Nadkarny (Wild Quail)

Gary Morris (Hooper’s Landing)

Mike Olson (Hog Neck)

Phillip Voshell (Garrison’s Landing)

Melvin Hamill (Eagle Creek)

Chuck Miller and Allen Corle (Chester River)

Division 2 – Jeff Hild (Musket Ridge) – Assistant – Craig Talbot (Quail Valley)

Division 4 – Wayne Rowland (Montgomery) – Assistant C.J. Myers (Manor Club)

REPS: Dave Keefe

C.J. Myers and Assistant Tony Celeste (Manor Club)

Sperry Storm and Hank Weiss (Leisure World)

Jake Jacobi (Norbeck)

Jim Burrows Assistant Rep (Hobbits Glen)

Division 6 – Gary Kramer (Univ of MD) and Assistant Chuck Woods (Crofton)

REPS: Carl Lazar and Wayne Adamson (Bay Hills)

Greig Huggard and Wilie Williams (Compass Point)

Dane Bernard (Crofton)

Earl Gentry (Fairway Hills)

Louis Montesi and Assistants George Hasser ; John Bertak; and Charlie Kibbey
(Northwest)

David Ebersole (Timbers at Troy)

The meeting was called to order at 0959 am, April 2nd, 2019 at Prospect Bay Country Club. Before the meeting began, Tom Ciandella – Prospect Bay Club Rep, welcomed everyone to the club and discussed the order of business after the meeting which included lunch and then a round of golf. He polled the members to see who were eating and who were going to play golf after the meeting.

Presidents Report

Malcom Peterson welcomed everyone to the club and meeting. He asked all in attendance to stand and introduce themselves to the group. Malcom Peterson then presented a thank you award to Greg Morris (2018 President) for his past year so service to the MISGA organization.

Secretary Report

After introductions were complete, the Secretary Chris Pariseau reviewed the minutes from last year's annual meeting. He asked for a motion to accept the minuets as presented – a motion was made and a 2nd was received. The president called for a vote. It was approved unanimously by the members.

Treasurer Report

Gary Manion presented the treasurers report and budget for the coming year 2019. He explained the increase in dues, reviewed the items in the budget. His report was complete and thorough. There were no questions about the budget from the membership.

MISGA
Income Statement Budget
For the Twelve Months Ending December 31, 2019

	Budget	Assumptions and Notes
Revenues		
Associates Dues	\$ 20,110 90%	Assumes Associates Dues @ \$10 per Associate (\$5 increase over 2018). A 10% reduction in the number of Associates (same actual Associates % decrease in 2018, while in 2017 the reduction was 8%).
Club Dues	1,950 9%	
Total Dues	\$ 22,060 98%	Assumes 10% reduction in Club Dues (same actual Club Dues revenue % reduction in 2018).
Interest Income	394 2%	Assumes CD's are invested with a new financial institution on 2-1-19 that yields a 2% APR return on investment
Total Revenues	\$ 22,454 100%	
Expenses		
Division Operations	\$ 8,750 41%	Total Division payments will be the same as the total 2018 payments
Business Insurance	2,760 13%	Includes newly negotiated general liability premium reduction. Also includes Directors and Officers (D&O) liability coverage.
Travel	2,800 13%	Utilizes IRS approved mileage rate
Tournaments Subsidy	1,510 7%	Keeps subsidy @ same level as 2016 thru 2018
Board Meetings	1,000 5%	Assumes 4 Board meetings w/ room rentals & meals - doesn't exceed \$1,000
Trophies and Awards	1,175 6%	Assumes \$875 for MISGA Championship golf tournament awards and \$200 for Green Jacket & \$100 for outgoing President's gift
Supplies	600 3%	Routine Supplies, including board packets now being photocopied & distributed to all Board members
Scheduling System	500 2%	Tom Rowlett's scheduling system will be available to all MISGA Clubs in 2019
Contingency	2,100 10%	If budgeted revenues do not materialize this budget category will cover the shortfall. This expense category is a potential source of funding should a project not currently in the budget be approved by the Board of Directors during 2019. (Equates to \$1.04 of Associates Dues Revenue)
Total Expenses	\$ 21,195 100%	
Profit / (Loss)	\$ 1,259	Equates to \$0.63 of Associates Dues

Vice President Report

Jeff Hild presented Pete Sorge with a "Tee shirt" for his efforts planning the events.

Division 1

Malcom Peterson - Gave a brief summary of Division 1 activities. There are no division qualifiers for the MISGA tournaments this year. The division has 7 clubs with the withdrawal of Maple Dale from MISGA.

Division 2

Jeff Hild - 14 clubs. Division 2 will hold qualifiers for the MISGA events. They will also be holding a PRO Am tournament as well

Division 4 –

Wayne Rowland Division 4 – 9 Clubs is in good shape. Will be holding qualifiers for the MISGA events and a PRO AM

Division 6

Gary Kramer – 13 clubs. Lost 2 last year but gained 2 back. The University of MD golf course will remain open. Last year the University was looking to close the course for campus expansions. That issue is now gone. They will be holding several additional tournaments throughout the year.

Associates Report – Jim Wilcox

No new information as dues are expected to be paid June 1. Number of Clubs in MISGA remains at 45.

Audit Report – Errol Myers

He stated he will be working closely with the treasurer event chairs to monitor and ensure that all accounting is done properly.

Events Charis Pete Sorge

Reviewed the MISGA golf event from last year. He is urging the clubs to ensure that all members are aware of all MISGA trips and future events.

MISGA History Chairman's Report Lloyd Stimson

1. The documents listed below have been updated, edited and reorganized. User friendly highlighted titles have been added with more explanatory info gleaned from the MISGA board meeting “minutes”. To view these documents, go to and open this link:

http://www.misga.org/Board_Actions.htm

a. MISGA Board Actions - Cumulative (1983-2018)

b. MISGA Board Actions - 2019

c. MISGA Board Actions - 2018

2. To view these documents, go to and open this link :

<http://www.misga.org/documents.htm>

a. Roster of MISGA's Board Members (1976-2019)

b. Roster of MISGA's Presidents (1976-2019)

Membership – Carl Lazar

Carl noted the loss of two clubs from Division 6 but the gain of two to the same division. He is constantly looking for new clubs to join MISGA.

MISGA GRAM – Bob Hodges

Looking for input for the MISGAGRAM

PP AD HOC – Tom Tarpley

Tom was absent due to health but submitted a report to the Secretary in advance of the meeting which stated – Nothing to report.

Planning – Jeff Hild

Jeff explain the proposed changes to the bylaws (see below) and the constitution to the membership that was at the meeting. After presentation and discussion of the proposed by law changes. a vote was taken and all the changes to the by-laws was approved. The changes will be posted on the MISGA WEBSITE.

MARYLAND INTERCLUB SENIORS GOLF ASSOCIATION BYLAWS

These Bylaws are published to facilitate managing the affairs of the Maryland Interclub Seniors Golf Association, Inc., which may hereinafter be referred to as the “Association” or as “MISGA.”

The MISGA year for fiscal and operating purposes shall be from January 1 through December 31.

SECTION I - BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

- E.** The voting members of the Board are the Division Directors and Assistant Division Directors.
- F.** The voting members present at a Board meeting constitute a quorum. Voting on Board issues shall only be by the voting members present at a Board meeting; no proxy voting or voting by email or telephone is allowed. A simple majority of voting members present at a meeting is required to approve motions, unless otherwise stated in the Constitution or Bylaws.
- G.** All members of the Board, including non-voting members, i.e., Officers and Standing Committee Chairs who are not also Division Directors or Assistant Division Directors, may fully participate in the meetings, including presenting and discussing motions.
- H.** Voting members who are also chairs or members of standing committees may vote on matters pertaining to the activities of their committee.

SECTION II – SUCCESSION OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

- A.** As the last order of business of the final Board meeting of the calendar year, the incumbent Vice President (VP) shall become President and assume his/her duties immediately by accepting the gavel and calling for the election of a new Vice President. The new Vice President will come from the next numerically sequential Division.. For example, if the incumbent Vice President is from Division I, then the new Vice President will come from Division II. In the event a Division has two candidates eligible for the office of Vice President, the Division is responsible for selecting which person is to be elevated to this office. The Division will notify the current President of its nominee as soon as plausible. Both the President and Vice President must be Division Directors or Assistant Division Directors in the years for which they are to serve.
- B.** In the event that the numerically sequential Division does not have a nominee for Vice President, the Division may pass to the next numerically sequential Division. The Division will notify the current President that the Division will not have a have a nominee as soon as plausible.

SECTION III - SUCCESSION OF DIVISION DIRECTORS AND ASSISTANT DIVISION DIRECTORS

- A.** The Club Representatives of each Division shall be represented on the Board of Directors by a Division Director and an Assistant Division Director, both of whom shall be voting members of the Board. The Assistant Division Director shall be elected by the Division's Club Representatives and shall automatically succeed to the Director position whenever that position becomes vacant. All candidates for Assistant Division Director shall be MISGA Associates, members of one of the Clubs in that Division, and, preferably, be past or present Club Representatives.
- B.** The terms of office for Division Directors and Assistant Division Directors shall be determined by the individual Division. If a Division Director or Assistant Division Director is elected to be the Vice President, he/she must remain a Division Director or Assistant Division Director while they occupy the office of Vice President and President. Elections to the office of Division Director and Assistant Division Director are to be carried out at the final Division meeting of the year. Following the election, the newly elevated Division Director and the new Assistant Division Director shall assume their new positions on January 1 of the upcoming year.
 - 1.** In the event that the Division Director leaves office , the Assistant Division Director shall immediately succeed to that position. The Division's Club Representatives shall elect a new Assistant Division Director as soon as possible.
 - 2.** In the event that the Assistant Division Director leaves office prior to the expiration of his/her term, the Division shall elect a new Assistant Division Director who shall assume office immediately.
 - 3.** A Division Director or Assistant Division Director may be removed from office for failure to perform the duties of his/her office. Upon receipt of a petition signed by at least one half of the Club Representatives of the affected Division, the MISGA President shall hold a hearing within thirty days at an appropriate location within that Division. Attending the hearing shall be the MISGA President, Secretary, Legal Counsel, and all Club Representatives or designees of that Division. After all parties have had an opportunity to present their cases, upon an affirmative vote of three quarters of Club Representatives of that Division (one vote per Club) for removal, the Division Director or Assistant Division Director shall be deemed removed from office. The Division shall proceed to fill the vacancy according to established policy.

SECTION IV - BOARD AND OFFICERS DUTIES

B. PRESIDENT

- 1.** The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and the Association. He/she shall report to the Board any matter, which, in his/her judgment, may be important to the Association.
- 2.** The President shall appoint Associates, for a term of one year, to fill the positions of Secretary, Treasurer, General Counsel, and the Chairs of the Standing and Ad Hoc Committees.

3. The President shall convene a final meeting of the outgoing Board between November 15 and December 15 to conclude the business of the retiring Board. The incoming Board members should attend.
4. The President of MISGA shall be an ex officio member of all MISGA committees.
5. In the event that the Vice President is unable to fulfill his term of office, the President may appoint a current voting member of the Board from the same division to complete the Vice President's term.

C. VICE PRESIDENT

1. The Vice President shall be available for any duties or assignments specified by the President.
2. In the event of resignation, absence, death, physical disability or inability of the President to perform his/her duties, the Vice President shall act in his/her stead. The Vice President is responsible for acquiring any awards to be presented to outgoing Board members.

SECTION VI - STANDING COMMITTEE DUTIES

F. MISGAGRAM COMMITTEE

1. The MISGAGram Committee shall consist of the MISGAGram Editor as Chair, the MISGA Web Master (i.e., the Website Committee Chair), and an Associate from each Division to assist in gathering newsletter items from their respective Divisions.
2. The MISGAGram Editor is responsible for the preparation of the MISGAGram, the newsletter of the organization, and for sending it to the Web Master for posting on the MISGA Website and to the Archives.

I. HISTORY COMMITTEE

1. The History Committee shall consist of the Chair and one Associate from each Division.
2. The Committee shall maintain the documents "History of Board Actions" and "Cumulative History of Board Actions," which, indexed for reference purposes, will include all directives and policies as well as amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws that are approved by the Board. These documents are to be prepared after the close of each calendar year and posted on the MISGA Website.

SECTION VII - CLUB REPRESENTATIVES

SECTION IX – THE DIVISIONS AND DIVISION DIRECTORS

A. MISGA is organized in six geographic Divisions. They are:

Division I ----- Eastern Shore

Division II ---- Western MD & Baltimore

Division III ----INACTIVE

Division IV --- Washington West

Division V ---- INACTIVE

Division VI --- Washington East

SECTION XIII - AMENDMENTS

A motion to amend the Bylaws must be approved by two-thirds of the voting members present at a Board of Directors meeting. The proposed motion must be furnished to all Board members at least fifteen (15) days in advance of the meeting at which the motion is to be presented.

Rules – Wayne Rowland

The rules review (see below) was proposed to the members and accepted to be used at all MISGA events.

MISGA Proposed Local Rules Adoption for Mixers

All proposed rule and Local Rule adoption are in the interest of pace of play.

1. Use Rule 21.2 Maximum Score
 - a. Set Maximum score for each player at net double bogey.
 - b. When a player reaches net double bogey on any hole pick up, they do not need to hole out to post the score.
2. Model Local Rule E-5 and Model Local Rule K-1 Maximum Time for All or Part of Round

Wording for the Local Rules is provided below.

Model Local Rule E-5

“When a player’s ball has not been found or is known or virtually certain to be out of bounds, the player may proceed as follows rather than proceeding under stroke and distance.

For two penalty strokes, the player may take relief by dropping the original ball or another ball in this relief area (see Rule 14.3):

Two Estimated Reference Points:

a. **Ball Reference Point:** The point where the original ball is estimated to have:

- Come to rest on the course, or
- Last crossed the edge of the course boundary to go out of bounds.

b. **Fairway Reference Point:** The point of fairway of the hole being played that is nearest to the ball reference point, but is not nearer the hole than the ball reference point.

For purposes of this Local Rule, “fairway” means any area of grass in the general area that is cut to fairway height or less.

If a ball is estimated to be [lost](#) on the [course](#) or last crossed the edge of the [course](#) boundary short of the fairway, the fairway reference point may be a grass path or a teeing ground for the hole being played cut to fairway height or less.

Size of Relief Area Based on Reference Points: Anywhere between:

- A line from the [hole](#) through the ball reference point (and within two [club-lengths](#) to the outside of that line), and
- A line from the [hole](#) through the fairway reference point (and within two [club-lengths](#) to the fairway side of that line).

But with these limits:

Limits on Location of Relief Area:

- Must be in the [general area](#), and
- Must not be nearer the [hole](#) than the ball reference point.

Once the player puts a ball [in play](#) under this Local Rule:

- The original ball that was [lost](#) or [out of bounds](#) is no longer [in play](#) and must not be played.
- This is true even if the ball is found on the [course](#) before the end of the three-minute search time (see [Rule 6.3b](#)).

But the player may not use this option to take relief for the original ball when:

- That ball is [known or virtually certain](#) to have come to rest in a [penalty area](#), or
- The player has played another ball provisionally under penalty of [stroke and distance](#) (see [Rule 18.3](#)).

A player may use this option to take relief for a provisional ball that has not been found or is known or virtually certain to be out of bounds.

Penalty for Playing Ball from a Wrong Place in Breach of Local Rule: [General Penalty Under Rule 14.7a](#).”

K-1 Maximum Time for All or Part of Round

Model Local Rule K-1

“If a group finishes the round more than the starting interval behind the group in front (15 minutes) and over [specify time, for example, 4 hours 30 minutes] from the time of starting all players in the group are disqualified for any prizes.”

Tournaments _ Greg Morris

Greg reviewed the dates for the ABCD and Past Presidents 2 Man tournament. Encouraged all divisions to promote these two events.

Webmaster Report: Jake Jacobi

Club Page Updates: On March 21, a request was sent to all club representatives to provide updates to their club pages on the MISGA web site. As of April 1, twenty-five (25) club pages have been updated.

Most clubs have a spot on their club page to list a fax number. Some have no number listed and some of the numbers no longer connect to a fax machine. If a club wants a fax number listed, please provide me with a working fax number and I will post it.

Every club page has a spot called "Course Status." This is a phone number or a link for players to check on course status (i.e. closed, cart-path-only, frost delay, etc.) usually before they start out to play in an event. Some clubs have a phone number to be called, some have a link to a web page (e.g. Sparrows Point and Bretton Woods) and Prospect Bay has a phone number and a link to a Twitter account. If your Course Status spot is blank, then please provide me with something to put there.

Otherwise, please make sure that everything on your club page is accurate and complete.

Club Info Sheet: Several years ago, an effort was started to collect Tee Ground information for MISGA events, and that information was posted on a special web page. The intention was to provide basic information about each MISGA club to all Associates so they could make timely decisions about whether they wanted to participate in a mixer. The information on the web site only covers Division II and Division IV, some of it is outdated and I'm not able to update it. Tom Rowlett has now put the Tee Choices on the signup page for a mixer and so having a separate web page for Tee Choices is redundant.

My recommendation is to delete the links on the MISGA club pages that point to the old "Club Info Sheet." Presently, there are 11 clubs with links. If any club wants to have a Club Info Sheet on their club page, I will work with you to create and post a Club Info Sheet that contains information the club wants and one that can be maintained by the webmaster. Typical information might include requirements for submitting rosters, rated tees used for MISGA events, PGA & USGA "Tee It Forward" Initiative information, criteria for calculating handicap strokes when alternate tees are used, Pace-of-Play information, dress code and directions to the club.

Some Recent New Additions

Since the beginning of the year there have been numerous new documents added to the MISGA web site. I would like to bring the following subset to the attention of the club representatives

- **Proposed Local Rules:** A document entitled "*MISGA Proposed Local Rules Adoption for Mixers*" has been prepared by Wayne Rowland and posted on the MISGA Home Page.
- **History of the MISGA Green Jacket Award:** C. J. Myers and Tom Tarpley have just finished writing this wonderful "*History of the MISGA Green Jacket Award*", the most prestigious

award given by MISGA. Take the time to read about the fantastic volunteer service that several Associates have given to MISGA.

- 2019 - MISGA Championship Tournaments & Division Qualifier Schedules
- 2019 Divisional Allocations
- 2019 MISGA Championship Tournaments & Divisional Qualifiers Schedules
- 2019 2-Man Team MISGA Championship Tournament Flyer
- 2019 Past Presidents (ABCD) MISGA Championship Tournament Flyer

Obsolete Documents: There are quite a few documents on the web site that are seriously out-of-date. I'm working through them one-by-one and will either update them myself or ask for others to help with the updates.

OLD BUSINESS

It was announced at the February meeting that the Tom Rowlett signup system is available for use by all MISGA clubs at no cost to the individual clubs.

After all presentations and review of old business the meeting was adjourned at 1130 am