

# Hyland Hills Senior Golf Club

## BYLAWS

### **ARTICLE I - NAME**

The name of this organization shall be the Hyland Hills Senior Golf Club (hereinafter referred to as "the Club").

### **ARTICLE II - PURPOSE**

The primary purpose of this Club is to provide social and golfing enjoyment and contacts among its members and to provide a handicapping system for tournament play. Membership in this Club is open to all persons (male and female) who are 55 years of age or older.

### **ARTICLE III- LIABILITY**

- A. This Club shall be a non-profit organization, organized solely for the social benefit of its members.
- B. This Club shall not be liable to any member or any other person for damages or claims arising out of its operation.
- C. Any person applying and being accepted into this Club hereby waives such damage or claim which may exist at the present time or in the future.

### **ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP**

- A. ELIGIBILITY: Membership in this Club is open to all persons (male and female) at least 55 years of age.
- B. TOTAL NUMBER: The membership of this Club shall not exceed one hundred thirty (130).
- C. NEW MEMBER: For the purpose of these Bylaws, a new member is one who was NOT a member of the Club during the preceding year.
- D. LEAVE OF ABSENCE :
  - 1. A member may obtain a leave of absence for reasons such as health or being absent from the area.
  - 2. To obtain approval for a leave of absence, a written application must be submitted to the Membership Chairperson and then be approved by the Executive Board.
- E. ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERS:
  - 1. Members of the previous year shall have precedence over new members as long as they have paid their dues by the deadline date.
  - 2. New Members will be accepted on a first-come basis.
  - 3. If necessary, a waiting list will be maintained.

## **ARTICLE V - INITIATION FEES AND DUES**

### **A. INITIATION FEE:**

1. The initiation fee shall be determined by the Board of Directors and payable at the time a New Member's application and first year's dues are submitted.
2. If the application is not accepted, the initiation fee and dues shall be returned to the applicant.

### **B. DUES:**

1. The yearly dues shall be determined by the Board of Directors.
2. Dues of renewing members must be received by the Membership Chairperson (Club Secretary) on or before the deadline date, or they are considered delinquent.
3. A delinquent member shall be automatically dropped from membership of the Club.
4. A delinquent member may again become a member only by filing an application in the same manner as a new member along with a late charge determined by the Board of Directors.

### **C. REFUND OF DUES:**

1. A request must be in made in writing to the Board of Directors.
  - a. Dues will be refunded on a pro rata basis.
  - b. One month's use of the membership shall be considered as 1/5 of the dues. A part of a month is considered as one month.
  - c. The initiation fee will not be refunded for new members.

## **ARTICLE VI - ORGANIZATION OF THE GOVERNING BODY**

- A. The **Governing Body** of the Club shall be the Board of Directors.
- B. The **Board of Directors** (the Board) shall consist of Nine (9) Club Members.
  1. Nine members shall be elected:
    - a. Three (3) newly elected members each year for a three (3) year term.
  2. All Board Members will have voting privileges in all Board decisions.
  3. The Board will elect who will be President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.
  4. The Executive Board shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

5. It is understood that the prime duty of each Board Member is to attend all Board meetings and assigned Committee meetings and to assist in making necessary decisions of the Board and its various Committees.

C. Board Of Director Vacancies:

The Board of Directors, by vote, may appoint any member (in good standing) to fill a vacancy which might occur on the Board of Directors.

D. The **Fiscal Year** shall begin November 1, and end on October 31.

E. **Elections** of members of the Board:

1. Shall take place at the Fall General Meeting.
2. The General Meeting must be held prior to the end of the fiscal year.
3. Three (3) newly elected members each year for a three (3) year term.
4. The Nominating Committee will present a list of candidates.
5. The presiding officer shall ask for additional nominations from the floor.
  - a. If there are more nominees than vacancies, voting by Club Members will be by written ballot.
  - b. If there are not more nominees than vacancies, a voice vote may be taken by the Club Members.

F. The **Nominating Committee** shall:

1. Be appointed by the President.
2. Consist of three Club Members.
3. Nominate at least one candidate for each vacancy on the Board.

G. The **Rules Committee** shall consist of:

1. The President, as Chairperson.
2. Up to four other members of the Club as appointed by the President.
3. This Committee will review the Rules of the Club and recommend changes, where needed, to the Board for consideration.
4. Rule changes will be recommended after consultation with the Pro Shop.

H. The **Audit Committee** shall consist of:

Three Club Members ... who are not Board Members ... and are appointed by the President.

## **ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS**

### **A. SPRING GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:**

1. The exact date is to be set by the President.
2. Meeting agenda should include:
  - a. Report on plans for the upcoming playing season.
  - b. Any business that should come before the membership.
  - c. Welcome New Members.
3. Notice, of this meeting, is to be sent to all members of the preceding year in written form.

### **B. FALL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:**

The purpose of this meeting shall include the election of new members of the Board of Directors and any other necessary business.

1. The meeting should be held no later than October 31st.
2. Notice of the meeting shall be placed on the Club Website

### **C. BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETINGS:**

The Board of Directors will meet once a year and other times as needed. The dates of these meetings will be determined by the President.

### **D. SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS:**

1. Special Membership Meetings may be called by:
  - a. The President
  - b. A petition of 1/3 of the members of the Club.
  - c. A majority of the Board of Directors.
2. Petitions must be in writing and presented to the Secretary.
3. If petitions are received between the first and last Club Tournament:
  - a. The Secretary shall arrange a meeting date and place.
  - b. The Secretary will post a notice, on the Club Website, informing the membership of the Special Meeting.
4. If a petition or petitions are received before the first Club Tournament or after the last Club Tournament:
  - a. The Secretary shall arrange a meeting date and place.
  - b. The Secretary shall inform all current Club Members in writing of the petitioned Special Meeting.

### **E. QUORUM FOR MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS:**

Quorum for a membership meeting shall be 1/3 of the current members of the Club provided that notice of said meeting is in compliance with Article 7, Section F.

F. NOTIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Notification of all membership meetings (Regular or Special) shall be made at least thirty (30) days in advance. If the date of notification is during the playing season, it may be posted on the Club Website. Otherwise, all members shall be notified individually in written form.

**ARTICLE VIII - EXPULSION**

A. RULES VIOLATION NOTIFICATION

1. If a Member is observed not playing by the USGA Rules, that individual must be confronted at that time and an effort must be made to resolve the infraction.
2. If that Member continues to violate said rule or rules, a written complaint must be submitted to the Board of Directors and must be signed by the complaining Member.
3. The offending Member shall receive a copy of each written complaint.

B. EXPULSION FOR MISCONDUCT:

1. By a vote of at least 2/3 of the Board of Directors, any Member of this Club may be expelled for cause including but not limited to:
  - a. Unsportsmanlike conduct.
  - b. Violation of rules and/or conduct which results in adverse reflection on the Club.
2. The Board will not vote on expulsion for rules violations unless three written complaints are received.

C. APPEAL:

Any Member, whether accused or expelled, will have the right to come before the Board of Directors to appeal any complaint or expulsion.

**ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS**

These bylaws may be amended or revised by a **two-thirds (2/3)** vote of the members in attendance at a regular or special membership meeting provided that previous notice has been given the membership in accordance with Article VII, Sections A, B, D, and F.

**ARTICLE X - FINANCIAL COMPENSATION**

There will be no financial compensation or perks for any work done or duties performed, on behalf of the Club, by any Club Member, Committee Member or member of the Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE XI – CANCELLATIONS DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER**

Cancellation of a Tournament due to “inclement weather” will be determined by a majority vote of the Board Members present.

**ARTICLE XII - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

The current edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised shall govern the proceedings of all business meetings of this organization in as much as they do not conflict with any provisions of these bylaws.

These revised bylaws were approved by a majority of the members present at a properly called meeting on April 16, 2018.

Dan Wolfe  
President

Signature on File

Jim Paquette  
Secretary

Signature on File