

JACKSON PARK MEN’S GOLF CLUB

By-Laws

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ARTICLE 1 – NAME

The name of this club shall be “JACKSON PARK MEN’S GOLF CLUB.”

ARTICLE II – MEMBERSHIP

The Membership of this Club shall consist of:

Section 1. Active Members

Active Members who pay annual dues as set by the Board of Trustees shall be entitled to all the privileges of the Club Membership.

Section 2. Honorary Members

Honorary Members shall be elected annually by a two-thirds majority vote of the Board of Trustees. Honorary Members shall not be required to pay any dues. They shall be entitled to all the privileges of Active Members, except the right to vote or hold office.

Section 3. Junior Members

Junior Members shall be between the ages of seven (7) and seventeen (17), and shall pay annual dues as set by the Board of Trustees. They shall be entitled to all Membership privileges of Active Members, except the right to vote, hold office, or attend any meetings or social gathering of the Membership. Junior Members shall be eligible to become Active Members upon reaching the age of eighteen (18) years and upon payment of the current annual dues for Active Members. Application for Junior Membership in the Club shall be in accordance with Article X of the by-laws.

ARTICLE III – OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers of the Club

The officers of the Club shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. All officers shall be elected at the annual January General Meeting as outlined in Article III, Sections 2 & 3 below. The term of office for President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be one year.

Section 2. Nominations for Office

In November, the President shall appoint a nominating committee consisting of three members of the Club. At least two weeks prior to the Annual Meeting, this committee shall submit to the President a list of nominees to fill any vacancies for the term of office beginning on the day of that meeting. Names of other Members in good standing may be nominated by petition prior to the Annual Meeting. At least one week prior to that Meeting, a list of all candidates shall be mailed to each Member and a copy of such list shall be posted on the Club bulletin board.

Section 3. Elections

Voting for contested positions shall be by secret written ballot and those names receiving the greatest number of votes shall be declared as elected. To supervise the election, the President shall appoint a committee of three judges who are not Members of the Board or candidates. Voting for non-contested positions shall be by voice vote. Elected officers will be installed at the Annual Meeting in January and their term of office shall begin at that time.

ARTICLE IV – BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Club shall be governed by a Board of Trustees. This Board shall be comprised of the current President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and a minimum of six (6) Trustees elected from the Membership at large. At each annual election, at least three (3) Trustees shall be elected for a two (2) year term.

ARTICLE V – DUTIES OF OFFICERS & TRUSTEES

Section 1. Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees shall have general supervision of the Club. They shall make rules and regulations for the governing of the Club, and in addition, shall have such powers and perform such duties as usually devolve upon the governing body of a social organization.

Section 2. President

The President shall preside at all Trustee, Monthly, Annual, and Special Meetings. He shall perform such other duties as usually devolve upon an executive officer of a social organization. He shall appoint, with the approval of the Board of elected Trustees, the Tournament Chairman, Handicap Committee, Rules and Green Committee, Membership Committee, and any other committee deemed necessary for the proper operation of the Club. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Board of Trustees shall direct.

Section 3. Vice President

The Vice President shall, during the absence of the President, perform the duties of the President.

Section 4. Secretary

The Secretary of the Club shall keep a record of minutes of all meetings of the Members and of all meetings of the Board of Trustees. He shall keep a record of the names and addresses of all Members of the Club and shall perform other duties as are required of him by the Board of Trustees. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Board of Trustees shall direct.

Section 5. Treasurer

The Treasurer of the Club shall have charge of all funds of the Club, and shall be authorized to disburse the funds upon the receipt of properly approved bills. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Board of Trustees direct.

Section 6. Committee Chairmen

The President shall each year appoint from the Club at large, a Tournament Chairman, Chairmen of the Handicap and Rules and Greens Committee.

Section 7. Tournament Chairman

The Tournament Chairman will be responsible for the planning and conducting of all Club tournaments and competition and will insure all Members' winnings are properly posted. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Board of Trustees direct.

Section 8. Handicap Committee

This Committee shall perform all functions normally associated with handicaps. The Chairman of this committee shall receive such compensation for his services as the Board of Trustees direct.

Section 9. Rules and Green Committee

This Committee shall make such rules for club tournaments and competitions as are not inconsistent with the rules of the USGA. They shall be arbiters of any controversy that may arise concerning these rules, and their decision shall be final. They shall cooperate with the operator of the golf course, and shall use their best efforts to enforce among the Club Membership, a careful observation of all of the operator's regulations concerning the course. They shall make such suggestions from time to time to the course operators as in their discretion may be helpful and for the best interest of the course and all who patronize it.

Section 10. Membership Committee

This Committee shall present all new applications to the Board of Trustees, and shall perform other duties as are required by the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE VI – ANNUAL MEETINGS

The Annual Meeting of the Club shall be held in the month of January each year. The reason for this meeting is for information dissemination, the election and installation of officers and fellowship.

ARTICLE VII – GENERAL MEETINGS

General Meetings shall be held at the discretion of the President or by a majority of the Board of Trustees. Except for the election of Officers at a meeting called for such a purpose, no business shall be transacted at those meetings, but minutes shall be kept. Members may make recommendations to the Board of Trustees to be acted upon at the Board's next meeting.

ARTICLE VIII – SPECIAL MEETINGS

A Special Meeting of the Club may be called by the President at any time at his discretion, and shall always be called by him, upon the written request of twenty-five (25) Active Members. Due written notice of Special Meetings shall be given by the Secretary to each Active Member in good standing. The notice shall state, 'the objective of the meeting' and no business shall be transacted at the meeting except that mentioned in the call.

ARTICLE IX – MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meetings of the Board of Trustees shall normally be conducted on the second Wednesday of the months of March, June, September and November, or by the President on his own motion at any time, or shall be called by the President upon the written request of three (3) Trustees. Two days written or verbal notice of the meeting, given by the Secretary, shall be sufficient, and five (5) Members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE X – APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Application for Membership shall be signed by the applicant and shall be accompanied by the annual dues.

ARTICLE XI – SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION

The Board of Trustees may suspend or expel any Member at any time, by a vote of not less than a three-fourths majority vote of all Trustees, for any violation of the by-laws, or for any conduct unbecoming a gentleman or which may be prejudicial to the best interest of the Club, provided that the offending Member be given notice, and an opportunity to be heard personally before the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE XII – APPROVAL OF BILLS

All bills presented to the Club shall be audited and reviewed by the Treasurer of the Club before being paid. No unusual expense shall be incurred, and no unusual expenditures made unless first authorized by the President of the Board of Trustees. Unusual means those bills that are out of the ordinary, and are not readily identifiable with the business procedures of the Club.

ARTICLE XIII – VACANCIES

Any vacancies occurring in the Offices of the Board of Trustees shall be filled by election by the Board of Trustees, such election to be for the unexpired term only.

ARTICLE XIV – DUES AND PAYMENT OF DUES

The Annual Dues shall be payable on or before the first day of April. Should a Member fail to pay his dues by the last day of April, he shall be deemed to be delinquent and shall forfeit all privileges of the Club. If a Delinquent Member requests reinstatement during the current fiscal year, he must, by necessity, pay his regular dues. In subsequent years, a former Member will have the status of a New Member.

ARTICLE XV – AMENDMENTS

These by-laws may be amended in whole or in part by a majority vote of the Members present at any “Special Meeting” called for that purpose.

ARTICLE XVI – CLUB MEETINGS

Except as specified elsewhere in this document, all Club meetings will be conducted in accordance with “Robert’s Rules of Order.”