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Articles of Association (updated 12/17/2024)

Article I Name

The Association shall be known as the Albuquerque Senior Golf Association Inc. A handicapped organization, organized exclusively for pleasure, recreation and other non-profit purposes, the sponsorship of senior golf tournaments and other activities in connection with the game of golf as the Association may determine.

Article II Membership

The membership shall be composed of not more than three hundred and twenty-five (325) amateur golfers who have reached their 50th birthday, who are legal residents of the greater Albuquerque area and have paid their current annual dues. New members may be admitted as various vacancies occur.

Article III Officers

The officers of said Association shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer to be elected annually by the Board of Directors from its Membership. The officer's term of office shall begin on December 1st and end the following November 30th.

The duties of the officers are as follows:

1. PRESIDENT: The President shall be the chief of the association and shall be present at all meetings of the Association and the Board of Directors. He/she shall be a member ex-officio of all committees. He/she shall make such suggestions and recommendations as may, in his/her opinion, tend to promote welfare and increase the usefulness of the Association. He/she shall perform such other duties as are necessary incidental to the

office. The President shall have the usual powers as such in the operation of the affairs of said Association and subject to the approval of the Board, have the power to appoint all committees and/or their chairman whose appointments are not otherwise covered in these Articles. He/she shall be a member ex-officio of the Board of Directors for one year immediately following the term as President.

- **2. Vice President:** The Vice-President shall perform all the duties of the President during the absence of the President. He/she shall be a member ex-officio of all committees.
- 3. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall keep an account of all monies received and expended for the use of the Association. All sums received shall be deposited, as soon as reasonably possible, in the bank. He/she shall make a report at each Board meeting and an annual report at the meeting of the membership. He/she shall keep a list of all members of the Association, noting whether dues are current. Funds may be drawn only on the signature of the Treasurer or the President.
- 4. Secretary: The Secretary shall give notice of and attend all meetings of the Association Board of Directors. He/she shall conduct correspondence and provide record keeping of the Board and Membership meetings and maintain files and records of the Association including all committees thereof.

Article IV Board of Directors

The Board of Directors: shall be composed of seven (7) members three (3) of whom shall be elected for a period of two (2) years at each annual membership meeting. The Member at Large shall be appointed by the President for a one (1) year term. Directors shall assume office December 1st or upon appointment. Replacements will be elected at the annual meeting of the membership of the Association. Vacancies occurring prior to the annual meeting may be filled by appointment of the President. A Board

Member missing 3 or more meetings during the year is subject to being removed from the Board by majority vote. The President may appoint a new Board Member to finish out the term for the year. Fifty percent of the membership of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting business of the Association.

Article V Dues and Fees

Dues for each year or a portion thereof shall be \$25.00 or such amounts as the Board of Directors shall determine. Dues for current members are due and payable by the first tournament. Members must pay dues for the current year prior to entry into an ASGA Tournament. Tournament fees are determined by the Board. Guests may play most tournament events provided there is an open spot. They will pay the course green and cart fees. All members shall pay the tournament entry fee and if they do not give a 48-hour notice that they are not playing will not be given a refund. They can apply to the Board of Directors for a refund either in person or by letter stating why they feel they should be given a refund.

1. Committees

The following standing committees of the Association shall be established with the duties and responsibilities noted below:

- a. **Membership Committee:** The Treasurer shall be the chairman of the Membership Committee and the remainder of the Board of Directors shall constitute the committee. The Committee shall receive, process, and accept or reject applications for membership.
- b. Nominating Committee: When a committee is needed, one of the elected Board Members shall be appointed by the President as Chairperson of the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee Chairperson may select two (2) additional members from the Board to serve as the Nominating Committee. The committee may select one or more members for each Board position vacated or

- due to expire that calendar year and present nominees selected to the General Membership at the annual meeting.
- c. **Tournament Chairman:** The President shall appoint a Tournament Chairperson and the Tournament Chairperson will choose his own committee consisting at least one (1) other member. The Committee shall prepare, for the approval of the Board of Directors, the schedule of tournaments, set tournament rules and regulations, provide awards, collect entry fees, settle disputes and in general, do all things necessary for the effective functioning of the Association Tournaments. In addition, the publishing of the notice of tournaments on the Associations Website. (In addition, the publishing of the notice of tournaments via e-mail.)
- d. **Handicap Committee:** The President shall appoint a Chairperson and the Chairperson will choose his own committee. The method of basing handicaps on tournament scores shall be published by the committee with the concurrence of the Board of Directors.
- e. **Audit Committee**: The President shall appoint the Audit Committee. The Committee shall be responsible for the annual audit of the books of the Association.
- f. The President: May, when the need arises, appoint special committees to manage tasks of events which he/she considers to be outside the normal scope of any standing committee. Such special committees will automatically be dissolved upon conclusion of their assigned task, or in any case at the exportation of the term of the office of the President who appointed them.

2. Meetings:

a. **The annual meeting**: of said association is to take place in either October or November for the election of new Board Members or returning Board Members whose term is expiring on November 30th. The President will specify the meeting date.

- b. **The first meeting**: of the new Board of Directors will take place between the 1st and 15th of December each year. At this meeting, the membership and financial status, the forming of committees, the coming year tournament schedule and any other required topics to be discussed and/or approved. The new President will specify the next meeting date.
- c. **Regular meeting:** and special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at times designated by the President.
- d. **The Secretary**: shall give notice to each member of the Board at least ten (10) days prior to all meetings.

VI Rules of Play

1. The rules of Play: The United States Golf Association (USGA), as amended by local course rules and the rules of the Association, will govern all play between the members in the Association will govern all play between the members in the Association sponsored tournaments. Winners shall be determined by NET scores in all tournaments including the annual Championship Tournaments.

2. Tournaments:

- a. Regular season tournament play consists of 8-10 tournaments at various locations in New Mexico. Regular season tournaments are normally held from February to August. A member must play in at least three (3) regular season tournaments to be eligible to participate in The Championship tournaments normally held in September.
- b. Championship Tournaments are normally held in September and consist of three (3) different course locations. A member must have participated in three (3) regular season tournaments to be eligible to participate in The Championship tournaments. Members who do not meet eligibility requirements may play as a guest and are not eligible to receive any prizes.

3. **Tee Box**:

- a. Members will need to use their preferred tee box which was chosen at the beginning of the year in the membership/renewal form. Either the very front Forward tee (closest to the fairway) or the next one back typically labeled Senior.
- b. If a player uses a different tee box, they will not have a valid handicap and their score will not be recorded.

Article VII Handicap System

Our handicap system uses ten (10) posted scores using the lowest four (4) to determine a handicap. If a member has not played ten (10) rounds, then his/her handicap will be determined by the formulas in the handicap software.

Article VIII New Member

A new member joining the Association will show his/her handicap index or three (3) recent score cards, from any course showing what scores he/she shot, to a member of the Handicap Committee. This information will be used to determine a handicap for the Association. A new member not providing/producing an index or score cards will state his/her average score to establish an Association handicap.

IX Amendment

These articles may be amended, altered, or repealed in whole or in part by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Article X Parliamentary Authority

The ASGA is incorporated in the State of New Mexico as a non-profit corporation in compliance with New Mexico's Nonprofit Corporation Act. Incorporation documents are on file by the President and Secretary. An

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