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Chartered Club Bylaws

Article I - General

Section A - Name of Organization

Echo Mesa Women's Golf Club

Section B - Purpose of Organization

The purpose of the organization shall be to offer golfing and social events to members.

Section C – Compliance with Recreation Centers of Sun City West, Inc.

These bylaws will fully comply with the Recreation Center of Sun City West, Inc. (Recreation Centers, the Association), Articles of Incorporation, Association Bylaws, Rules, Regulations, and Procedures (RR&Ps) for Chartered Clubs. In the event of a conflict between these bylaws and the above stated governing documents of the Recreation Centers, the Recreation Center's documents shall prevail.

Section D – Chartered Club Operation as a Non-Profit Organization

This Chartered Club shall be operated exclusively as a non-profit organization in accordance with applicable Arizona and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Tax Exempt Codes, and Association Bylaws.

Article II – Membership

Section A – Membership

Membership shall be open to individuals in good standing with the Recreation Centers. Club membership is only open to those issued a current Owner-Member Card, Associate Member Card or Tenant Activity Card (Recreation Card). Each Club Member has equal rights, responsibilities, and obligations.

Section B – Honorary and Lifetime Memberships

Honorary and Lifetime Memberships are not allowed in Chartered Clubs.

Section C – Membership Reporting

The Annual Membership Report (CR-15) must contain each Club Member's name and Recreation Card number as of December 31 and is to be submitted to the Recreation Manager by February 15 of the following year.

Section D – Membership Preconditions

There shall be no precondition for membership other than as defined in Article II – Membership, Section A – Membership, above, nor will Club Members be required to join any local, national, state, or regionally affiliated organization.

Section E – Recreation Card Holder Guest/Visitor Privileges

See the Rules, Regulations, and Procedures (RR&Ps) for the definition of a Guest/Visitor.

A Recreation Card Holder Guest/Visitor may attend a scheduled Club activity up to three (3) times annually before they are required to join the Chartered Club.

A Club Member may host up to three (3) different Recreation Card Holder Guest/Visitors annually.

Section F – Non-Recreation Card Holder Guest/Visitor Privileges

See the Rules, Regulations, and Procedures (RR&Ps) for the definition of a Guest/Visitor.

A Non-Recreation Card Holder Guest/Visitor must be accompanied by a Club Member host at all times when in Club facilities.

A Non-Recreation Card Holder Guest/Visitor may attend a scheduled Club activity up to three (3) times annually. A Non-Recreation Card Holder Guest/Visitor is not eligible to become a Club member.

A Club Member may host up to three (3) different Non-Recreation Card Holder Guests/Visitors annually.

Members will be responsible for their guests while in our facilities and all Club rules must be followed.

Section G – Club Dues

The dues for each member will be determined annually on the recommendation of the Club Board and approved by a majority vote of the Club Members attending the meeting after a quorum has been established (see Article V – Meetings, Section G – Voting and Quorum Requirements on page 12).

Dues shall be paid by December 10th for the following year. The dues shall be delinquent on the 11th day of December. Delinquent payments shall be charged a late fee as set by the Club Board.

After July 1st through November 30, dues shall be reduced to one-half the annual fee. If an individual joins in December, the fee will be the amount set by the Club Board and approved by a majority vote of the Club members attending the meeting after a quorum has been established for the following year. New members joining in December will have the same privileges as all other dues-paying members. Dues are not refundable.

Section H – Maintaining a Chartered Club

Chartered Clubs must meet membership and membership participation requirements per the RR&Ps measured by Rec Center software and annual CR-15 Membership Report.

A Club Charter is dependent on club membership, membership participation of existing Club Charter.

Section I – Club Monitoring

This club does not require monitoring.

Article III – Code of Conduct

Section A - Member conduct

Disciplinary action is necessary when members threaten the safety of themselves or others, are abusive, create turmoil, disruption, or dissension among Club members, Club, or the Association in general.

The Club Board (majority vote of 51%) must initiate and approve all disciplinary actions, with the member notified within five (5) business days of infraction. The infraction is to be documented in Club records by including a form CR-16 (Chartered Clubs Disciplinary Actions), with copies forwarded to the Recreation Manager and Chartered Clubs Committee Chairperson.

Refer to the RR&Ps for full disciplinary procedures.

Article IV – Officers

Section A – Club Officers

The Club board must consist of four officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and the Chairpersons of all standing committees. After being duly elected by the membership, the Club officers and the committee chairpersons shall have voting rights.

Section B – Club Officer Election

The Club Board shall be elected by a majority vote of those present at the Club's annual membership meeting after a quorum is established (see Article V – Meetings, Section G – Voting and Quorum Requirements on page 12). The elected officers shall serve **without** compensation. If appointed by the Club Board to fill a vacancy, the appointee must be confirmed by a majority vote of the Club's board.

Section C – Club Officer Verification

Newly elected or appointed officers, shall, within fourteen (14) days of taking office, attest that they have read and understand the Rules, Regulations, and Procedures (RR&Ps) for Chartered Clubs by signing the CR-5 (New Club Officers and Rules, Regulations, and Procedures for Chartered Clubs Affirmation Report) and forward it to the office of the Recreation Manager.

Section D – Responsibility to Submit Annual CR-15 Report

The Vice President/Membership Chairperson shall submit the Annual Membership Report (CR-15) for the year just ended to the Recreation Manager by February 15th of the following year.

Section E – Officer Duties/Responsibilities, Term Lengths, Term Limits, and Duties

See Appendix A – Club Officer Role Descriptions on page 17 for Officer Duties and Responsibilities descriptions.

Their election shall be held by written ballot or by acclamation if the slate consists of one candidate per office and shall be held at a membership meeting in the Fall. The Nominating Committee shall secure one or more candidates for each office and post the slate of nominees on the bulletin board for a period of time covering two Women's Competition days. Nominations may be made from the floor of the general meeting with prior consent of the nominee. Those elected shall be introduced at the Christmas luncheon and assume their duties January 1st. The newly elected President shall be presented with the "President's Gavel" at this time. No elected officer shall serve for more than two (2) consecutive terms in the same office.

Ex-officio, not to exceed one (1) year.

Section F – Filling a Board Vacancy

Elected officers and committee chairpersons' vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the President, with the approval by the Club Board. A member appointed to fill a vacancy in an elected office for a period of five (5) months or longer shall be deemed to have served a full term.

Section G – Removal of Directors and Officers

Contact the Recreation Manager for information on this topic.

Section H – Officer Succession

It is the responsibility of the Club President to educate the incoming president on Club bylaws including the Rules, Regulations, and Procedures information (which can be found online at www.scwclubs.com) onto their successor.

Article V – Meetings

Section A – Club General Membership Meeting Frequency and Openness

There will be a minimum of three (3) general membership meetings conducted each calendar year. One of these meetings should be designated as the election meeting. All General Membership Meetings are to be open meetings.

Section B – Club Business Currency and Board Meeting Openness

The Club's Board will meet as needed to ensure Club business is kept current and that Board Meetings are open.

Section C - Provisions for Calling and Recording Meetings

Minutes will be taken by the Secretary to document all business sessions and approved by the Club President.

Meeting Minutes should be available to Club membership prior to the subsequent General Membership Meeting.

Minutes, as well as pertinent administrative records, will be retained for a period of three (3) years.

Section D – Required Club Officers Meetings

Club officers (or their designated attendee) are required to attend Officers Meetings called by the Recreation Center. The purpose of these meetings is to update policies, clarify procedures, and discuss mutual concerns.

Section E – Club Meeting Purpose

Membership meetings should not have as their primary purpose a social event.

Section F – Special Meetings

For a grievance or reasonable cause, Club membership must present a petition signed by at least ten (10) percent of the Club members to require the Board to call a Special Membership Meeting. The Club Board must acknowledge receipt of the petition within two (2) business days of receipt of the petition and schedule the special meeting and notify Club members of the date, topic, and venue of the special meeting within three (3) business days of receipt of the petition. The special meeting must be held within ten (10) days of receipt of the petition.

The Club Board may call a special Membership Meeting. The Club Board must schedule the meeting and notify Club members of the date, topic, and venue within two (2) business days after announcing the special meeting. The special meeting must be held within ten (10) days of the meeting announcement.

An officer of the Board may call for a special meeting of the Board.

Section G – Voting and Quorum Requirements

- 1. Club Board Meetings – A quorum is a simple majority of the Board.**
- 2. Membership Meetings – Quorum Definitions**

A quorum is the minimum attendance at a Club membership meeting necessary to conduct elections, approve bylaws, approve budget, or conduct Club business.

The required majority must be of those present at the meeting specifically called for such purpose.

A simple majority is required for all issues except bylaws.

To approve bylaws, a two-thirds (2/3) majority is required. A quorum shall be ten percent (10%) of the Club membership. However, a quorum for approving bylaws cannot be less than twenty (20) members. A Club could have an excess of one hundred (100) members at a meeting, but the top requirement is one hundred (100).

Voting may be done in person (voice vote or show of hands), by paper ballot, or any generally accepted other technologically assisted solutions and retained in Club records. There will be no proxy votes.

Reference Robert's Rules of Order for assistance in parliamentary provisions. Note that stated bylaws take precedence over Robert's Rules of Order (i.e., anything not stated in bylaws shall be referred to Robert's Rules of Order for parliamentary procedures).

Article VI – Financial

Section A – Financial Record Retention

Financial Records shall be retained for a period of seven (7) years prior to current year.

Section B – Spending Limits

The Club Board may authorize (a) the Treasurer to disburse funds in support of Club activities in amounts not to exceed two-hundred dollars (\$200.00). excluding membership luncheons, handicap payments and cost of printing yearbooks. The club has no petty cash fund. The President and Treasurer shall have check-signing privileges.

Section C – Club Member Compensation

No member shall receive compensation or financial award from Club funds for contributions or service to the Club. The only exception is when a member has an independent contractor agreement reviewed by the Recreation Manager.

Section D – Financial Record Audits

Financial records must be audited annually by individuals other than those elected to the Club Board. The results of the Report of Audit will be presented to the general membership and duly recorded in the applicable minutes of such meetings. A copy will be provided to the office of the Recreation Manager.

Section E - Club Advertising

Any commercial advertising or flyers of Club activity must follow RR&Ps and Association policies.

Section F - Contracts

Any contracts for instructors must meet RR&Ps Guidelines. Each contract must be renewed annually and a copy of each sent to the office of the Recreation Manager for approval. (Refer to RR&Ps).

Section G - Treasurer's Duties and Responsibilities

Treasurer role description in the Appendix A – Club Officer Role Descriptions on page 17.

Article VII – Committees

Section A – Non-Permanent Committees and Chairpersons

Committees and/or chairpersons may be elected or appointed by the Club board. Club Bylaws must state the election or appointment process to be used (see Article IV – Officers on page 9).

Section B – Permanent (Standing) Committees

Permanent (standing) committees, at a minimum, will include a Safety and Audit Committee. Additional committees must be brought to a vote of the membership and so stated in Club Bylaws.

Section C – Ad Hoc Committees

The Club President may appoint ad hoc committees with the approval of the Board.

Section D - Duties of the Safety Committee

Safety Chairperson/Committee shall be on the watch for any unsafe conditions on the course and shall report such unsafe conditions to the starter and/or course supervisor. The Safety Chairperson/Committee will be elected by the general membership.

Section E – Audit Committee/Chairperson Duties and Responsibilities

The Audit Chairperson/Committee (person(s) other than those elected to the Club Board) shall audit Club financial records on an annual basis. The results of the financials will be presented to the membership and recorded in applicable minutes of such meetings.

Section F - Other Committees and Their Duties

A nominating committee of three (3) persons shall be appointed by the President and posted on the Club Bulletin Board by August of each year. Current Club Board members shall not be appointed to the Nominating Committee.

Chairpersons of all committees will keep an up-to-date information file on the duties and responsibilities of their office and will pass this file on to their successors

Article VIII – Amendments

Section A – Amending These Bylaws

This Club requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote of membership at a meeting specifically called to amend the bylaws.

Section B – Amendment Review Requirements

The Recreation Manager shall review the proposed amendments prior to the submittal to the Club membership.

Section C – Proposed Amendment Publication

Proposed amendments shall be publicized to the membership at least one (1) month prior to the vote. All amendments must be voted upon and approved by a quorum of the membership (see Article V – Meetings, Section G – Voting and Quorum Requirements on page 12).

Section D – Revised Bylaws Review Requirement

A complete revised set of the Club's bylaws will be submitted to the Recreation Manager for final review. The amended bylaws require the approval of General Manager prior to implementation. The results and dates of the membership vote shall be duly noted on the submitted document.

Article IX – Dissolution

Section A – Clubs with an IRS Tax Status Other than 501(c)(3)

Upon the winding up and dissolution of this Club, after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the Club, the remaining assets shall be turned over to the Recreation Centers.

Appendix A – Club Officer Role Descriptions

President

- Shall preside at all meetings of the Club and the Club Board and, in general, perform the duties incident to the office.
- Shall be, ex-officio, not to exceed one (1) year.
- A member of all committees except the Nominating Committee and the Audit Committee.
- Shall appoint chairpersons of all special committees she may deem necessary.
- Shall make an annual report to the Club at the annual meeting in December.
- Administrative records will be retained for a period of three (3) years.

Vice President

- Shall assist the President in executing the duties of her office.
- Shall assume the duties of the President in her absence or in the event of her resignation or demise.
- Shall serve as the Membership Chairperson.
- Administrative records will be retained for a period of three (3) years.

Treasurer

- Shall be custodian of the Club's funds and pay all bills.
- Shall keep an accurate record of receipts and expenditures and shall pay the bills promptly.
- Shall give a comprehensive report at each Club Board meeting and Club membership meeting.
- Shall close the books at the close of the calendar year and submit them to the Audit Committee Chairperson.
- A financial report, properly audited, shall be submitted to the Recreation Centers.
- Records will be retained for a period of seven (7) years.


Secretary

- Shall record the proceedings of the Club Board and Club meetings and conduct the correspondence of the Club as directed by the President.
- Shall call a meeting to order in the absence of the President and Vice-President.
- Presides over the election of a temporary officer.
- Administrative records will be retained for a period of three (3) years.

Appendix B – Bylaws Amendments

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Club President

3-22-2023
Date


General Manager

3-20-23
Date