



SAGES Senior Golfers

Jimmy Gowans Branch

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON **4 December 2025 at Randpark GC**

ATTENDANCE	NAME	PRESENT	APOLOGIES	ABSENT
CHAIRMAN	Anton Korb	✓		
VICE CHAIRMAN	Steve Griebenow	✓		
TREASURER	Wynand Walters	✓		
REGISTRATONS	Pat Maritz	✓		
CANSA	Ian Hall		✓	
CLOTHING	Elca Faure	✓		
SECRETARY	Johan Woest	✓		

1. WELCOME, APOLOGIES and OBITUARIES

The Chairman welcomed the committee. Only Ian Hall is not present. The meeting was informed of the passing of Fanie Jordaan.

Ian Hall provided an email notifying the committee of his resignation. The resignation was accepted.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES / ACTIONS CARRIED OVER

- No outstanding minutes tabled for approval, actions added to the agenda.

3. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

3.1. Feedback from CANSA day. (AK)

- WW provided statistics that the money raised came from three main sources:
 - R33,000 from the auction where 15 items were tabled.
 - R3,300 by the Raffle
 - R13,500 through the Entry fees
 - R6,000 Donations received
 - AK confirmed that he won't be here during the CANSA day is busy with the list of sponsors he normally approaches for prizes/donations.



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- The committee expressed their appreciation for the successful CANSA day that Ian Hall coordinated and ran. It raised double the best previous amount we ever had on a CANSA day.

3.2. Visitors wanting to participate in monthly game

- With the agreement we have with clubs in negotiating the best senior rates for our games, we were reminded that we need to honor that agreement and not put that privilege at risk.
- We agreed to confirm the rules of our monthly games:
 - Only people with a valid membership of a club can play – we will ask clubs to request proof of membership at check in
 - To not introduce risk that clubs will challenge our group, we will insist that only people of SAGES qualifying age can participate.
 - All players must pay the relevant competition fee.
 - We will request clubs to empower starters to request greenfee slips before players can start.

3.3. New Sages website (JW)

- JW shared the new website details and request all committee members to use the site and provide feedback if they have any.
- The suggestion is that members register rather than trying to use the generic sign-on details.
- Details of this will also be added to the next newsletter

3.4. National Tournament.

3.4.1. Feedback from meeting with the NMC

- The committee received an update of the discussion with Andre Blom and Eddie Mantle.
- Clarification of the target number of players were agreed as 288
- The normal allocation for National tournaments from the NMC is R80,000 and that is the reserved amount for next years tournament as well.



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- The various documents and rules that are available must be used as reference only. The NMC will provide guidance but Jimmy Gowans needs to drive the tournament and make decisions to achieve that.
- The feedback to the committee was that the meeting provided comfort that we are on the right track and have the full support of the NMC.

3.4.2. Tasks/Roles required.

- The TOC provided views on the various roles that will be required on the day – from assistance at the starting tees, to the registration desk. Also the functional rules to handle any situation that might arise.

3.4.3. Sponsorships (AK)

- AK provided context on why we would need additional sponsors.
- He also provided a number of examples of potential sponsors we should approach (Examples are Weber, DOVE, Golfers Club, Randpark Pro Shop, Thundergun, etc)
- Focus will now shift to get sponsors for the (1) Goodie Bags, (2) Prizes and (3) Financial assistance to reduce entry fee costs.

3.4.4. Use of other resources.

- The number of people we believe we need up to the tournament but more importantly during the tournament week, is more than what the committee can do.
- Consideration must be given to use other people that is not on the committee or not even part of Sages.
- Zahn Rossouw offered her assistance and she is doing aspects of what we need in her professional life. JW will speak to her to clarify where she can best be used maximizing her availability to benefit the TOC.

JW shared a number of draft documents for comment from the committee:



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- **TOURNAMENT RULES AND FORMAT.** All the various comments regarding the rules of the tournament is consolidated in one document. The view is that this document should not change from tournament to tournament as this defines the objective SAGES have with the tournament
- **TOURNAMENT LOGISTICS.** The document covers the detail with respect of the specific club, venue, course and events that Jimmy Gowans drive.
- **INVITATION LETTER** – The cover letter that will confirm Dates, venues, cost, timelines clubs must adhere to and comments about accommodation.
SG offered to craft the wording under “ACCOMMODATION”.
- **SCHEDULE** – A single page showing the events by date/time from Sunday evening to Friday evening. A quick reference guide to know when what will happen and where.

WW tabled the budget and what the current Entry fee is calculated to be. We need some refining on this but will be ready for the invitation.

The critical path items have been agreed to be:

- Entry forms to go out – 60 days prior to the tournament
- Entry form returns to be submitted 30 days before the tournament
- JW will expand the timeline to reflect all the other key deliverables around these two target dates.

After discussing the various points, documents and status of tasks that are underway, it was clear that, whilst there are lots of work to execute between now and the Tournament, that we are well on track.

3.5. Succession Planning

- SG mentioned before that he see this as his last year on the committee.



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- AK had the view that he had done 4 Chairmans reports and he should step aside for someone to take over. He did commit to stay on as a normal committee member
- PM informed the meeting that he wishes to resign after 20 years as a committee member – by the end of December.
- The request to the committee was to identify potential new members that are both knowledgeable and committed to make a contribution.
- Four names were mentioned and AK will approach them to find out what their position is with regards the committee.

4. GENERAL

4.1. There were no general items to discuss.

Meeting closed at 15:45

SIGNED :

Chairman

DATE : 2025 / 12 / 04