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**VGCSA Board Meeting**

**Hermitage Country Club, Manakin-Sabot, VA**

**February 12, 2015**

**10:00 Am Start**

*Agenda*

# Call to Order - Holliday at 10 a.m.

Present D. Norman, J. Holiday, C Petrelli, D Taylor, T Adams, S.Cornwell, R Johnson, S. Gill, S. Baskette, P. Stevens, M Cote

1. Introduction of New Board Members
2. Approval of Minutes

Gill motion, Baskette 2nd

1. Treasurer’s Report

Cote- No major issues to discuss, all in order, Petrelli motion, Taylor 2nd

1. Government Relations (legislative visit), Nutrient Mgt. Planning, DEQ Water Reporting

Holiday – Legislative visit went well, all were introduced on floor and mention made of environmental and economic impacts.

NMP- new grants out $149,000 available to whole state

DEQ Water Reporting - push in 2015 for awareness of rules of reporting and permitting

1. Promoting the Profession – Chapter Outreach Program Ad (May issue, *Virginia Golfer*)

Chapter Outreach Holliday- Va. Golfer issue on conserving water and how to get word out of Superintendents good work in this direction

1. External VP Reports

ODGCSA- Taylor

 New officers coming on board, Jay Wade. Kevin Fortune president

 Going to less meetings has been better

 Members very supportive of VGCSA Meeting in Fall

SVTA- Cornwell

 All events scheduled,

 Due to fewer assistants will focus on research rather than straight donation to Asst Forum

VTA- Baskette

 New board members brought on board

 Spurlock as industry rep

 Schedule of meetings set

TTA- Stevens

 Reducing meetings

 Some meetings will be free

 Rob Wilmans on board

Holliday- Push ways to increase meeting attendance, revive the concept of the industry as a “fraternity”, phone trees, ride sharing, keep costs low

1. Recap of Recent Events –Virginia Golf Council Meeting, Annual Meeting, VTC Conference

Va. Golf Council – Gill - enjoyed going to meeting to see all aspects and that all are trying to grow golf.

Annual Meeting- Holliday- all went well, awards recipients great choices, scholarship winner appreciative and overall good turnout

VTC Conference- Holliday

 Discussion on classes, mostly positive, trade show okay—mostly a networking event versus any purchases made

 Further discussion regarding VTC and VGCSA potential move to October Meeting. Agree to do it but to keep at two days including golf.

 Communication with VTC and Rick Owens to continue during process.

 VGCSA meeting is consistent with our bylaws and mission statement.

 Must build slowly onto good meetings we’ve had in the past.

1. Partner Program Update
2. Research – R4R 2015; Grant Request from Dr. Ervin

Research proposal by Dr Ervin discussed re: traffic on Burmudagrass. Concerns raised over purchase of utility cart to use during research.

1. Updates of BMP Manual

DEQ offered some updates and clarifications, discussion on how and when to update Manual.

Holiday- Possibility of having board advisory position from Va Tech, Baskette motion, Taylor 2nd motion passed to invite Dr Goately to serve on Board

1. Use of VGCSA Logo

Motion Petrelli, 2nd Adams to allow use of Logo by members and partners

1. 2015 Committee Assignments & Reports

Assistants Forum - Johnson- possibly at Kanawa club, wants to grow numbers, possible partner with MAAGCS when Northern Va event

Petrelli to go to Delegate meeting

Cote to attend Leadership meeting with Norman

1. 2015 VGCSA Fall Conference & Joe Saylor Tournament

Norman – need to decide now, keep at Hermitage and have Annual meeting after golf then hold conference next day.

Need to have great speakers, and build on previous success.

1. Other Events - VGCSA Championship & Virlina Cup, VGCSA-CMAA-NGCOA Joint Meetings, Assistants Forum, GCSAA Chapter Leaders
2. Old Business / New Business – Board position for VT
3. Executive Session
4. Adjourn 2:16 PM