



OFFICE OF PRESIDENT



DARREN J. DAVIS, CGCS

OLDE FLORIDA GOLF CLUB

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GCSAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

PERSONAL DATA

Name: Davis Darren J GCSAA Membership No.: 017610
 Business 9393 Vanderbilt Beach Rd Ext Home Phone: _____

 City: Naples State/Zip: FL 34120-1715
 Club/Course: Olde Florida Golf Club Business Phone: (239)353-4441
 Title: Golf Course Superintendent

Responsibilities:

As the Golf Course Superintendent at Olde Florida Golf Club I am responsible for the overall maintenance, operation and management of the golf course and grounds including construction, renovation, personnel management, equipment repair and maintenance, wildlife and habitat management, purchasing, budgeting and all financial and record keeping associated with the golf course.

ResponsibleTo: Other ResponsibleToOther: Club President
 No. of Holes: 18 TypeOfCourse: Private TypeOfCourseOther: _____

EDUCATIONAL DATA

Name:	Location:	Years Attended:	Major:	Degree Earned:
Tallahassee Community College	Tallahassee, Florida	1985 - 1987	General Studies	Associate of Arts Degree
The Pennsylvania State University	University Park, Pennsylvania	1989 - 1991	Turfgrass Management	Certificate in Turfgrass Management
Florida Gulf Coast University	Fort Myers, Florida	2004 - 2007	Communication	Bachelor of Arts Degree

EMPLOYMENT DATA

Employer:	Title of Position:	Years of Employment:
Golden Eagle Country Club	IPM Specialist	1988 - 1989
Augusta National Golf Club	Apprentice Superintendent (1990), IPM Specialist (1991)	1990 - 1991
The Loxahatchee Club	Assistant Golf Course Superintendent	1991 - 1992
Olde Florida Golf Club	Golf Course Superintendent	1992 - Pres

CIVIC PARTICIPATION

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GCSAA ACTIVITIES

Committee	Position	Years
2008 Chapter Delegates Meeting		2008 - 2009
2009 Chapter Delegates Meeting		2009 - 2009
2010 Chapter Delegates Meeting		2010 - 2010
2011 Chapter Delegates Meeting		2011 - 2011
2011 Chapter Leader/Executive Symposium		2011 - 2012
2012 Chapter Delegates Meeting		2012 - 2012

2013 Chapter Delegates Meeting		2013 - 2013
2014 Chapter Delegates Meeting		2014 - 2014
2015 Chapter Delegates Meeting		2015 - 2015
2016 Chapter Delegates Meeting		2016 - 2016
2017 Chapter Delegates Meeting		2017 - 2017
Assistant Superintendent Committee	Vice Chairman	2012 - 2013
Assistant Superintendent Committee	Chairman	2013 - 2014
Assistant Superintendent Task Group	Chairman	2017 - 2018
BMP Resource Task Group	Chairman	2017 - 2018
Career Development Committee		1996 - 1997
Certification Committee	Vice Chairman	2015 - 2015
Certification Committee	Chairman	2016 - 2017
Chapter Relations Committee		1999 - 2000
Communications/Outreach Task Group	Chairman	2015 - 2015
Conference Education Task Group	Chairman	2016 - 2017
Environmental Profile Task Group	Chairman	2014 - 2015
Environmental Profile Task Group	Chairman	2015 - 2015
Environmental Programs Committee		2010 - 2011
Environmental Programs Committee		2011 - 2012
GCM Editorial Board Task Group	Chairman	2014 - 2015
GCSAA Board of Directors	Director	2012 - 2013
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GCSAA Board of Directors	Director	2015 - 2016
GCSAA Board of Directors	Secretary/Treasurer	2016 - 2017
GCSAA Board of Directors	Vice-president	2017 -
Government Affairs Committee	Vice Chairman	2014 - 2015
Government Affairs Committee	Chairman	2015 - 2016
Media Information & Brand Messaging Task Group		2005 - 2006
Member Communications Committee		2003 - 2004
Membership Appeals Task Group	Chairman	2017 - 2018
Membership Committee		2008 - 2009
Messaging/Brand Strategies Task Group		2004 - 2005
Nominating Committee		2004 - 2005
Par for the Course Resource Group		1996 - 1997
Par for the Course Resource Group		1997 - 1998
Professional Development Committee	Vice Chairman	2012 - 2013
Professional Development Committee	Chairman	2013 - 2014
Publications Committee		1995 - 1996
Research Committee		2000 - 2001

Research Committee		2001 - 2002
Research Committee		2002 - 2003
Research Proposal Review Committee	Chairman	2012 - 2013
Research Proposal Review Committee	Vice Chairman	2013 - 2014
Research Proposal Review Committee	Vice Chairman	2015 - 2015
Research Proposal Review Committee	Chairman	2016 - 2017
Rounds 4 Research Task Group	Chairman	2017 - 2018
Scholarship Committee	Chairman	2012 - 2013
Standards/Bylaws Committee		1998 - 1999
Strategic Communications Committee		2004 - 2005
Strategic Communications Committee		2005 - 2006
Strategic Communications Committee		2006 - 2007
Student Task Group	Vice Chairman	2017 - 2018
Technology Innovation Task Group	Vice Chairman	2015 - 2015
Technology Innovation Task Group	Chairman	2016 - 2016
Technology Testing Task Group	Vice Chairman	2015 - 2015
Tournament Committee		2007 - 2008
Tournament Task Group	Chairman	2017 - 2018

LOCAL CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

Chapter Name	Leadership Position/Committee	Years Served
Everglades Golf Course Superintendents Association	Director (1994 - 2010), Vice President (2010-2011), President (2011-2012), Imm. Past President (2012- 2013), GCSAA Chapter Delegate (2001 - 2010), External Vice President (1995-1997, 2002-2003)	1994 - 2013
Florida Golf Course Superintendents Association	Director (1995 - 1997), Sec./Treasurer (1997-1998), Vice President (1998-1999), President (1999-2000), Imm. Past President (2000-2001, 2001-2002)	1995 - 2002

ALLIED ASSOCIATION DATA

Organization	Involvement	Years Served
Florida Turfgrass Association	Director (2003-2005), Sec./Treasurer (2005-2006), Vice President (2006-2007), President (2007-2008), Imm. Past President (2008-2009), Director (2009-2011), Florida Turf Digest Editor-in -Chief (2005-2011), Executive Director Search Committee Chair (2006)	2003 - 2011
United States Golf Association	Member	1995 - Pres
The Musser International Turfgrass Foundation	Director (2011-), Publicity Committee Chair (2011-)	2011 - Pres

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Only Class A superintendents whose classification truly reflects their current employment are eligible for office in GCSAA.

500-Word Statement

Thank you for the confidence you have placed in me to serve on the GCSAA Board of Directors for the past six years. Your support has been overwhelming and the thought of serving as the 82nd president of the GCSAA is truly humbling!

It has been an honor and a pleasure to work with my fellow directors, GCSAA staff, chapter leaders, committees, task groups and countless other dedicated and talented individuals around the country. When I was elected in 2012, I made a commitment

to serve each and every member of the association, advance their profession and enhance the enjoyment, growth and vitality of the game. Throughout my board service, that commitment and my passion has only been heightened. Today, I am eager to build on past momentum and continue advancing the mission of GCSAA!

The GCSAA and I are devoted to enhancing the perception of the golf course superintendent and promoting the significant value he or she provides to the game of golf and to the environment. During my time on the board of directors, we have achieved a tremendous amount of success in this area. Our media presence, our productive working relationships with allied golf associations, the enhanced unity among our affiliated chapters and the "Thank a Golf Course Superintendent" campaign are just a few examples of GCSAA's member advocacy efforts. GCSAA has made tremendous strides in the positioning of our members, but we can do more!

The association and I are also dedicated to enhancing our governmental advocacy efforts. In 2017, with support from the United States Golf Association, the GCSAA produced a comprehensive web-based BMP template and launched an aggressive campaign to have all 50 states produce a state-specific BMP document by 2020. Our leading role in the We Are Golf coalition and National Golf Day, our full-time presence in Washington, D.C. with our Director of Congressional and Federal Affairs, our environmental profile surveys and our Grassroots Ambassador Program are additional examples of the associations efforts in governmental advocacy. However, we will not rest on our laurels. We will continue to promote the countless positive attributes of golf.

I have always believed that there is strength in numbers, and in a time when many professional associations are dwindling, GCSAA has made tremendous strides to retain and increase membership. While GCSAA has, and will remain committed to serving all of our members, the association has enhanced its focus on the student and assistant member classification. These individuals are the future of our association and our profession. More than ever, support of these individuals from GCSAA is critical in the growth and vitality of the profession and the game of golf.

GCSAA and I remain committed to ensuring the association continues to provide our members with the same excellent educational opportunities, professional development programs and networking opportunities that have helped me become the superintendent I am today. Obviously, the needs of GCSAA members are ever evolving, and I am pleased with the improvements in the technology the association employs. GCMonline.com is the latest example of how GCSAA is enhancing its communication efforts. We will continue to evolve our methods of communication and use of technology.

On a personal note, I feel truly blessed to be able to do what I love—to work as a golf course superintendent and to enjoy the many benefits that come with the job. Serving GCSAA has allowed me to give back a fraction of what I have received working in this great profession. I am very thankful for your past and continued support, and I remain committed to serving and representing each and every one of the nearly 18,000 members of the GCSAA.

Finally, I am extremely grateful for the unwavering encouragement of my employer, my team, the members of Olde Florida Golf Club and my affiliated GCSAA chapters, the Everglades and the Florida GCSA. They have all encouraged me to serve GCSAA, and they support my efforts to give back to the golf industry and the golf course superintendent profession. I am also grateful for the inspiration, advice and support of numerous GCSAA past presidents, chapter leaders, GCSAA members and so many others in the industry.

Again, thank you for the confidence you have placed in me serving the GCSAA membership; it has truly been an honor. I am confident with your support, together we can continue to advance the mission of GCSAA.

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CHAPTER EXPERIENCE VERIFICATION - Signature _____ **Title:** _____