



Dear fellow CPGA members;

It has been an honor to serve as your Secretary for the last two years and with that I am formally announcing my candidacy for the office of Vice President. With all the accomplishments the Board has made during my time of service, I am truly excited for what lies ahead in the years to come.

On that note, one of my directives when I joined the Board in 2015 to current day as your Secretary was to better the lives of the Carolinas Section member personally, as well as, professionally. We have made great strides in the areas of tournaments, with sponsorships increasing every year and the ending of sanction fees, which in turn will help any and all facilities who host Pro-am events. Also, the establishment of our Carolinas PGA Reach Foundation which is prospering financially and expanding our reach through our three pillars; Youth, Military, and Diversity and Inclusion. Finally, the financial stability of our Section is one which could serve as a benchmark for all other sections within the PGA. This was no small task and one which has been worked on collectively over many years and will continue to be monitored with your best interests in mind.

This is just a sample of areas which have been improved and there is more work to do as we continue to be at the forefront of the PGA of America with how Associations represent and serve their membership. As we move forward, we will continue to drive more funding to the local level, bring forth industry relevant educational opportunities, and creatively work to promote you as a professional regionally and locally, as well as, continue to enhance and bring value to your PGA membership.

Thank you for your continued support and I hope you will join myself and your fellow professionals at the 2020 Annual Meeting February 17th and share your thoughts with the Board of Directors and Section staff. We are here for you each and every day and welcome your feedback.

Kind regards;

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