

GCSAA

# Taps Our Own Bob Maibusch For One-Year Term as Director

*In early March, GCSAA President Scott Woodhead called MAGCS President Emeritus Bob Maibusch with a compelling request: serve a one-year term as member of GCSAA's Board of Directors.*

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*—Bob Maibusch*

"Scott indicated he needed to make an appointment, and based on my past experience with committees and service record, they wanted to see if I was interested," Bob recalls.


Bob did not—indeed, could not—accept the invitation before discussing the offer with two key contingents: his employer, Hinsdale Golf Club, and his family. Serving a one-year appointment would mean, for instance, some 30 days of travel during his term.

"The course came back to me with an answer within a day, and they were very encouraging," says Bob. "My wife and kids were also supportive. It would have been hard to say no at that point."

Since accepting the directorship, Bob has undergone extensive computer training in the use of GCSAA's intranet and made a couple trips to Lawrence, KS; he will make a third for the GCSAA's May board meeting, at which time his appointment should be confirmed. Bob has also been charged with chairing two GCSAA committees: the Publications Committee and the Limited Budget Resource Group.

This latter group, explains Bob, is an ad hoc committee formed to look at the challenges faced by superintendents working at limited budget facilities. "GCSAA felt this group might be falling through the cracks, and this committee focuses on them—to see what we can do to


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support them," says Bob. "The lower-end courses really grow the game of golf—you're not going to take your eight-year-old who's just starting to play out for a \$90 or \$100 round. This reflects GCSAA's commitment to help golf thrive in the future."

By year's end, Bob will have a decision to make: whether to run for reelection in February 2001.

"My priorities are always going to be family, employer and then GCSAA," Bob notes.

Still, "it's been fun so far," says Bob. "I'm very happy to be serving. I do feel a commitment to the profession and the game, and I do feel it's important if you have an opportunity to serve to do that. If you can give something back to the association, you should."

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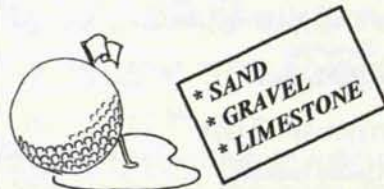
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