



Forward Thinking...

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In a couple weeks, at the Fall Business Meeting and Election, I will have completed my 9th year of involvement with the Board of

Directors. My involvement has been very rewarding. The interaction with fellow Directors has been inspiring. And the immediate goals of the Board and Chapter Manager are exciting.

The impact of the Chapter Manager, Brett Grams, will soon become evident to the membership. Brett has provided the effort and enthusiasm necessary to develop and implement the forward thinking desired by the Board of Directors. Some of the efforts and ideas will be entirely new to this association. But make no mistake, these efforts and ideas have been developed to stay consistent with our mission..."to serve each member by promoting the profession and enhancing the growth of the game of golf through education, communication and research."

At the 2008 Fall Business Meeting, I announced that there had been a proposal presented to the Board of Directors looking for the creation of a Class C Committee. This proposal could present new opportunities for our Class C members. The Board is asking for member input prior to taking any action. When the new WGCSA website is unveiled, this proposal will be posted and can be reviewed. A poll will be presented in which each member can assist the Board allowing us to gain a better understanding of the pulse

of the entire membership regarding this issue. If you are interested in adding personal comments, in addition to the poll, please email (ogcsuper@bizwi.rr.com) or call me at 262.567.6212.

I want to thank all WGCSA members for their confidence and support over the last two years. Although, I still have two more years as the Immediate Past President, I am very proud to have had the opportunity to have been included in the decisions that have guided this association. I'm excited to see the progress continue. The WI Golf Course Superintendent Association is strong and is moving

forward. Even through these difficult economic times, it is very important that we do not remain content with the status quo. We are staying open minded and considering new opportunities and avenues to improve the value of membership. The WGCSA is prepared to continue to strengthen the value of the golf course superintendent and expand its impact on golf in Wisconsin. I'd like to ask all members to stay passionate about turf. Stay passionate about the game of golf. And to stay passionate about the Wisconsin Golf Course Superintendents Association. 🌱

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