From the Board

The past two Board of Directors meetings have been taken up with the usual year-end closeout of committees and preparation for the National Convention in February.

Virgil Robinson has submitted our operating budget for 1978. The board accepted this budget unanimously after a long and very close look at our financial status. We feel that the budget is something we can live with; but we all felt that we should keep a close eye on our own individual departments and stick very closely to our budget. The budget is included at the end of this report.

As we all know, George Cleaver is running for GCSAA President this year. The board has decided to look into renting a room for one night after the elections at the national. We felt that after George is elected that a "Ya'll Come" celebration is in order. We will not be operating a hospitality room for the entire week. This decision was made due to expenses and to a lack of participation the last two years.

Items which will be taken before the advisory committee at the National by the MAAGCS will be: 1) Local Chapters should have the privilege of selecting their own representative for GCSAA and 2) To become a national member you must be a member of a local chapter.

Our two-day conference during the first two days of Turfgrass '78 has all been finished. Besided the regular conference we will be opening our hospitality room the night before, Sunday, January 8th.

From all of us on the board to all of our members and families, we hope you had a good Christmas, and we wish you all a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

1978 Proposed Budget

Income:	Dues	\$5,000.
	Newsletter Ads	3,600.
	Interest	400.
		\$9,000.
Expenses	Vice-President	\$ 50.
(operating):	Secretary	500.
	Treasurer	200.
	Ed. Chairman	275.
	Newsletter	4,200.
	Social and Benevolence	650.
	Golf	625.
	Membership	500.
	Editorial and Publicity	1,000.
	3,000	\$8,000.
Expenses	Educational Fund	\$ 500.
(fixed):	Benevolence Fund	500.
	THE CONTRACTOR OF THE PROPERTY.	\$9,000.

Respectfully submitted, Virgil Robinson

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MAAGCS Conference

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9:00 am Presiding

> Mike Larson, Superintendent Hillendale Country Club

Disease Control in Perennial Ryegrass

Dr. Houston Couch, Professor Plant Pathology Dept., VPI & SU We Built a U.S.G.A. Green L.R. (Bob) Shields, Superintendent Woodmont Country Club

Maintenance and Playability of Bunkers

William J. Buchanan, Agronomist USGA Greens Sect., Mid-Atlantic Region

Bunker Placement & Design Geoffrey Cornish, Golf Course Architect Amherst, Massachusetts

"TURFGRASS '78" - Registration

AFTERNOON

12:00 pm Exhibit Hall

Exhibitors serving the turfgrass industry display their products.

Maryland Turfgrass Council 12:30 pm

Election Luncheon

4:00 pm Cocktail Hour Cocktails and refreshments served

in the Exhibit Hall.

EVENING

Stewards of the Soil 8:00 pm

> A computer-controlled multiscreen slide presentation by the STAUFFER CHEMICAL

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