Gwinnett Senior Golden Games Meeting Minutes February 18, 2008

Bob, our President, called our meeting to order. He welcomed all our members, followed by a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

The minutes of the last meeting were read. Two changes were made to the minutes. LongHorn Steak House will not be catering our opening meal, but instead we will have a private caterer. And the second was we must thank Pam for paying for the postage along with the printing of our booklets.

Eileen gave the treasurer's report. Our balance is \$8,774.53. Many Wal-mart stores are being very generous this year. Also, the donation from Wal-mart to the Senator, previously mentioned at one of our other meetings, has been approved.

We are striving for a record-breaking attendance this year. Al Sandham, our former President, has taken our beginning year's attendance 79 athletes, and brought it to 349 athletes. We would like to continue the growth and if needed move to larger quarters which would be Rhodes Jordan Park, for the opening and closing ceremonies.

Susie gave a Door Prize report. We have 55 prizes, spent \$800, we could purchase more depending on our attendance. Only those present can win. Doug announced that PGA will not be giving the \$25 certificates this year for golf purchases. However, our special gift from Chateau Elan this year will be 8 rounds of golf (for 4 people). Dana also read us a thank you letter for our donation to the Cavalcade of Homes, which benefits the Children's Shelter. While on this subject, Al asked if we could again give \$250 to Friends of Gwinnett Co., FOGSS. Eileen said we need to discuss it later after checking finances.

A word about our Web Page. We need to read it and send others to it to read. It has all the information needed, including the registration form for the Senior Games. Doris suggested that we make up business cards with our web address and hand them out to anyone interested in joining our senior group.

Eileen told us that we will have meal tickets this year, this way we will have more control of the food. If you don't get a ticket and you checked that you were attending the meals, we will be able to check our white book to see if you are listed. Our entertainment will be Mike Casanova playing the piano from 9:30-11:00 A.M. During the luncheon we will have a singer. His name is Emanuel Covington. Eileen heard him sing and was very pleased with him. She has hired him for \$300 for our closing ceremony.

We may need a meeting for the event-managers. They should attend to know what will be in our packets. Eileen is willing to hold a clinic for scoring if needed. The sheets will be all made up but it is important that we use them. Last year so much time was wasted trying to read names and numbers.

We are planning to give the medals out after each event, but if this is not possible, please let Bob know if you will need time to present the medals at closing.

As mentioned at the last meeting, there will be no Atlanta Senior Games this year.

Bob also mentioned the Gwinnett Senior Council Expo. It will be April 17th from noon to 3:00 If you would like to volunteer for a half hour at our booth, please talk to Bob.

Donna Gawlas will be our Badminton manager this year. She will have practice games at Bogan Park for those that are interested. Call her for times and dates.

There wasn't anymore business so Bob adjourned the meeting.

Next meeting will be March 17th.

Sincerely,

Marie Hickman, Secretary