

On behalf of the Officers and Board of Directors of the North Florida PGA Section, we hope you are on the road to recovery from the damage Hurricane Irma may have caused you, your family, and your facility. Out of respect to our many Members who are most affected by this event, we felt it necessary to delay this announcement, so you can concentrate on what is truly most important.

After a thorough and comprehensive search process, we identified and selected a candidate who can lead our Section to success into the future. Steve McMillen, PGA, currently the Executive Director of Golf House Kentucky has accepted our offer to become the 3rd Executive Director of the North Florida PGA. Golf House Kentucky is the umbrella organization for Kentucky's Family of Golf Organizations: Kentucky Golf Association, Kentucky PGA and Kentucky Golf Foundation. Steve brings 14+ years of experience as an Association Executive Director, having also served as the Executive Director of the Kansas City Golf Association. At Golf House Kentucky, Steve manages all operations of the Kentucky PGA Section, the Kentucky Amateur Golf Association, and the Kentucky Golf Foundation.

Steve is a 1991 graduate of Baker University with a B.S. Degree in Economics and Business Management. He has completed the general Management curriculum of the PGA of America's Certification Program. Steve's proven track record of financial stability, operating multiple associations, and his ability to develop new business opportunities for the Associations he has served proved to the committee he can lead our Section to new levels of success going forward.

Steve's first day will be October 9. When you have the opportunity, please welcome Steve (sjmcmlen@pga.com) to the North Florida PGA Family, and let him know you are there to support him and our staff into the future.

I want to thank our search committee members John Hughes, Charlie Rymer, Kennie Sims, and Kevin Paschall for all their time, dedication, and hard work in this process. I also want to thank Mike McCollum and Scott Wellington with our National Office for their guidance and commitment to the NFPGA and its Members.

In closing I would like to ask all of you to take a moment and thank Rich Smith (rsmith@pgahq.com) for his years of tireless service and leadership to our Section. Under Rich's tenure the NFPGA has seen tremendous growth and much success. We wish him and his family well in his new

endeavor!

With best regards to you and your family during this difficult time,

Mike Lynch, PGA
President, North Florida PGA Section