


February 25, 2026

TO: Members of the Board of Trustees
FROM: Dr. Radenka Maric 
RE: Naming Recommendation for the Dan DiFiore Class of 1972 Hitting Bay

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Trustees authorizes naming a hitting bay in the golf practice facility on the Storrs campus as the "Dan DiFiore Class of 1972 Hitting Bay."

BACKGROUND:

The new state of the art Golf Facility aims to provide UConn's Golf Program the tools and space necessary to continue its trajectory as a top tier program in collegiate athletics. The building plans include team meeting spaces, a locker room, coaches offices, indoor and outdoor chipping and putting, and three 10' x 25' hitting bays to allow for long range practice. Additionally, this space is expected to offer a full outdoor driving range equipped with both turf and grass tee boxes. The facility is slated to be completed in 2027/2028.

Each bay is expected to have technology for simulated indoor driving and its own door to permit outdoor use. The bays are also expected to connect to the sound system in the short game area.

Mr. Daniel DiFiore earned his bachelor's degree in English from UConn's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences in 1972. A retired Head of Independent Channel at Voya Financial, Mr. DiFiore and his wife, Judith, have been longstanding supporters of UConn Athletics, with significant engagement in the golf program over the past five years. He also participates annually in the Joe Giannelli Golf Tournament in support of the UConn Men's Golf Team.

Mr. DiFiore has pledged a gift consistent with the University's *Named Gift Guidelines*.

On February 18, 2026, the Institutional Advancement Committee recommended approval to the full Board.

RESOLUTION RE:
DAN DIFIORE CLASS OF 1972 HITTING BAY

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees authorizes naming a hitting bay in the golf practice facility on the Storrs campus as the "Dan DiFiore Class of 1972 Hitting Bay."

It is hereby certified that the foregoing resolution was duly authorized by the Board of Trustees on February 25, 2026.

Bryan K. Pollard, Secretary

Date