Illinois Chess Association Board Meeting Conference Call October 9, 2015

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:40. A quorum was established. Attending were Bill Brock, Scott Daniels, Carl Dolson, Bill Feldman, Jerry Neugarten, and Murrel Rhodes.

Approval of Minutes:

The September minutes was approved by a vote of 5-0-1.

Officers Reports:

The President's report was approved by a vote of 5-0-1.

Bachler Proposal for Organizing the Illinois High School Individual and Medley Chess Championship:

The Board discussed a proposal received from Kevin Bachler to revive the Illinois High School Individual and Medley (Team) Chess Championship. After analysis of the pros and cons of the proposal, Carl Dolson made a motion to move forward with a plan to work with Kevin Bachler on the proposal with certain revisions to the proposal preferred by the ICA before final approval can be given.

Discussion of Curriculum as a Companion Piece to the Handbook for Chess Coaches:

Jerry Neugarten led a discussion of the Curriculum he circulated to the Board, and the feedback received, which he intends to propose we publish on the ICA website as a companion piece to the Handbook for Chess Coaches that has been published on the website which was recently approved by the Board. Jerry indicated an intention to make some minor changes to the Curriculum before proposing its publication, which may be ready in time for the next ICA Board meeting.

2015 Natalie W. Broughton Lifetime Achievement in Chess Award:

Carl Dolson made a motion to approve Hector Hernandez as the recipient of the 2015 Natalie W. Broughton Lifetime Achievement in Chess Award. Dolson had previously circulated information accumulated by the Broughton Award Committee in support of Hernandez's nomination. The Board approved the motion by a vote of 4-0-1.

ICA Liaison for 2015 Illinois All Grade:

Carl Dolson led a discussion seeking a volunteer to act as the ICA Liaison for the upcoming 2015 Illinois All Grade Championships, and the responsibilities of the ICA Liaison. No candidate was immediately identified.

ICA Annual Membership Meeting and Banquet:

Carl Dolson led a discussion informing Board members of the upcoming ICA Annual Membership Meeting, to be held Saturday, November 21, 2015, at 3:30 pm at the Hilton Lisle / Naperville, and the ICA Banquet, that same day and place, at 6:00 pm. A discussion of the plan for the Annual Membership Meeting and the Banquet was held. All ICA Board members were encouraged to attend.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 17, 2015.