

Illinois Chess Association Board of Directors Meeting Agenda: Telephonic
“Regular Meeting” October 3rd, 2018
7:30 pm

Meeting Facilitator: Patrick Cohen, President

Invitees: Patrick Cohen, Stephen Plotnick, Rachel Schechter, Patrice Connelly, Eva Harrison, Mike Lenox, Megan Chen, Murrel Rhodes, Garrett Scott, Rose Grandy,

I. Call to order at 7:32 PM

II. Roll call

- Present: Patrick Cohen, Rachel Schechter, Patrice Connelly, Mike Lenox, Megan Chen, Rose Grandy

III. Approval of Agenda

- Unanimous

IV. Discussion of minutes from prior meetings, potential approval

- Minutes still in draft form.

V. Reports

A. Officer Reports

1. President’s Report (Patrick)

- Preparations are underway for IA election cycle. Nominations have been received for two candidates. Patrice work with Bill Buklis to confirm candidates on October 110th for ballot.
- The 2019 USCF delegates are due November 1st. These preparations will be conducted through email prior to November board meeting.

2. Metro Report (Steve)

- Steve not present; report skipped.

3. Downstate Report (Rachel)

- The October 7th K-12 Rated Scholastic has sixty-five confirmed participants as of board meeting. Rachel is using the tournament as an opportunity to further promote the ICA through distribution of ICA pens and questionnaires. Patrick will assist as a TD.

4. Treasurer Report (Patrick)

- Two transactions conducted since previous board meeting.
- Budget for 2019 currently being drafted; to be presented in November.

B. Committee Reports

1. WJP/RS (Rose)

- The 2018-2019 WJP/RS class is finalized and has 121 participants.
- Four online training sessions are already completed and additional online sessions scheduled through early December.
- The Training Day and Banquet is coming up on October 13th at Naperville North.
- T-shirts made for the program participants. They look great, and have received very positive feedback!
- Rose also presented and discussed program budget.

2. Veterans Committee (Michael)

- The ICV continues to support three Metro chess clubs, along with offering VAMC Programs, VA Outreach clinics, and Veteran programs.
- The Family Freedom Festival in September was a successful event.
- ICV is preparing for the Midway Airport USO Benefit, a nonrated tournament, date to be determined. Michael has requested use of ICA banner for event, and will coordinate hand-off of banner from Patrick.

5. Membership Committee (Eva)

- Eva not present; report skipped.

VI. Open issues

A. Membership Database Progress (Rachel)

- Rachel will check in with Bill Buklis on database update progress.

B. Election Committee (Patrick)

- Motion: To appoint Murrel Rhodes election committee chairman. Motion passes unanimously. Michael and Patrick will also serve on committee

VII. New business

A. 2019 Illinois Tour Schedule (Patrick)

- The George Orwell Memorial Open (in Dekalb) only had an attendance of six people, and may not be appropriate as an IL tour event.

- Motion: To approve an 11 tournament tour schedule based on previous year schedule, with the exception of the removal of the George Orwell Memorial Open. Motion Approved unanimously
- B. The board discussed creating Illinois Tour t-shirts to help promote IL tour, but the Tour Commissioner (who would lead/chair such a project) position is unfulfilled. Once the commissioner position is fulfilled, a committee can be formed.
- C. The board also discussed potential scholastic participation in the youth committee, and will follow up with Steve.

Next meeting Nov 7th, 2018

VIII. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.