



Stephen Plotnick, President
Eric Ortega, Metro VP
Emily Dawson, Treasurer
Amy Green Downstate VP
Joshua Flores, Secretary
Lawrence Cohen
William Blackman
Danial Wilson

Via Zoom Software the ICA Board of Directors meeting commenced on March 6, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Present were:

Stephen Plotnick

Joshua Flores

Danial Wilson

Amy Green

Eric Ortega

Lawrence Cohen

Emily Dawson

William Blackman

A Quorum was formed.

Approval of Agenda.

Larry Seconded

Passed

No Minutes for February were presented.

Minutes for March submitted late so not approved.

New Business

Josh Used a Transcriber for the minutes.

New ICA Event Bid Process Committee proposed and staffed with Josh, Emily, Denial for the nonce. The committee is to work on existing language on documents to bring them in

consistency. Also will review the current process in order to improve, streamline, increase comprehension, and clarify procedures and dates.

Old business

ICA Web Page.

Discussed by Steve and the issues with it. Josh and Emily offered to help.

Larry spoke about print on demand for ICA Merch to be on webpage and possibly tour prizes. People asked him to investigate and report for possible vendors and their setups.

Steve Is working the webpage project. The building is stalled. Josh and Emily offered to help out.

Larry - ICA Tour talked about Steve added his thoughts.

Spoke to how he is planning the prizes to be attained/rewarded. The Tour is still up in the air.

Steve - Stripe on ICA Page.

Steve spoke to the process.

Jacob has posted several articles on the page.

USCF Qualifiers and IL Senior Open discussed as to the new location and space available.

WJS = Steve as Edwin was not present

Spoke if T.M. is going to attend. Mentioned he is dealing with aftermath of a car accident, wife getting new employment out of state, and his current responsibilities with his post in his town.

All Grades Bid Awarded to Jeff D'Orio.

Motion made by Steve.

Larry Seconded

Motion passed. with one no vote and one recluded.

Officers Report

No news from Metro

Nothing new from Treasurer

Nothing new from Secretary.

D.W. Mentioned his upcoming events.

Nothing New from Non-Metro

Membership issues were discussed.

Steve talked about a plan made with JD for future events where JD would give downstate a 1000 stipend on the years ALL Grades are ran there to make up for his competing tournament.

Discussion with few dissenting with the idea.

Unless Jeff does the 1000 donation on his own with no promise of his receiving the ALL Grades on the Upstate years, no agreement will be made.

Thought of running a North and South Championship Qualifiers for Scholastic Events and doing a final State Championship. Or just running them as individual entities. Discussion was had.

Motion made by Josh to table both ideas.

Larry Seconded.

Motion Passed.

Issues with KB were discussed.

From discussion a new committee was formed - The ICA Event Bidding Procedure Committee lead by ED with JF and DW being the first two members. Committee is to make language consistent throughout all venues, find improvements, refine current process, implement efficiencies, steam line the process and define checks and balances on all parties.

Motion Made for this committee by Steve.

Emily Seconded.

Passed

Larry motioned to end meeting.

Josh Seconded.

Passed