

Illinois Chess Association Agenda September 3, 2024

- 1) Call to Order - 7:05pm
- 2) Roll Call:
- 3) Approval of August minutes
- 4) Motion to approve August meeting
- 5) Approval of November Agenda - (No vote)
- 6) Executive Board Reports - President (Steve Plotnick)
 - a) Discuss WJS Warren Scholar categories to align with US chess
 - b) Discuss girls division
 - c) Discuss parents catching up with missing plaques
- 7) Treasurer – Emily
- 8) Memberships – Amy
- 9) Secretary – Dan - no updates
- 10) Metro VP (Eric Ortega)
- 11) Downstate VP (Amy Green)

- 12) Committee Reports
 - a) WJS – Edwin (advisory committee)
 - i) Proposed the removal of the female rating expectation for WJS and create a female WJS program
 - (1) Board supports this change
 - ii) Proposed a down shift of a 100 points for the WJS rating requirement to align with US Chess.
 - iii) Amy suggested creating a down state arm of the WJS program with support from Emily
 - (1) Discussion of different criteria (rating / geographical area) for downstate and or change of the program.

- b) [ICA Tour](#) -
 - i) Emily will send updated standings to Steve
- 13) Open Business
 - a) Status of potential new board member
 - i) Still looking for downstate
 - ii) Larry will put together proposed revenue and some planned expenses. This includes tournaments for bid, travel stipend etc.
 - b) Danial and Amy are going to assist Emily in a review of bid guidelines
 - i) Dan and Emily plan to have working proposals by the end of next week and changes ready to present to the board next month.
 - c) Shirts update Emily – No update back burner
 - i) Emily will try to look into shopify.
 - d) WJS Open Business
 - i) Plaques need to be ordered and delivered to the players that did not receive. Edwin will get names and work with Emily to order plaques.
 - ii) Edwin will start the WJS program this Oct. to help project a budget for 2025 based on lessons given.
- 14) Motion to adjourn the meeting

Next Meeting: November 5, 2024 at 7 PM