

Minutes for the CalChess Board Meeting held Sunday, February 10th 2:15pm at the Fremont Marriott 47000 Lakeview Blvd, Fremont, CA 94538

Attending (Board): Tom Langland, Salman Azhar, Roger Poehlmann, Alan Kirshner, Jason Gurtovoy, Michael Aigner. Visitors: Bob Blatt, Stephanie Blatt, Richard Koepcke. Absent: John McCumisky

Meeting called to order at 2:30pm

Minutes of 12/2/07 meeting amended and accepted, 3-0 unanimously with Gurtovoy, Kirsher, Azhar and Garbe abstaining. (Vote taken after item 2 below).

Old/New Business

1. 2009 State Scholastics

Salman Azhar reported on the San Jose site (Santa Clara as an alternative). Discussion about required room nights, avoiding conflict with Super Nationals and Easter weekends if tournament is in April.

2. Report on 2008 Scholastics (Salman Azhar)

Discussion about K-6 Novice section: 1 day with rounds starting 8:30am-5:30pm vs. two-day schedule.

3. CalChess Girls' Champion Playoff Organizer

Motion 080210.1 (Kirshner/Langland): That Richard Koepcke is authorized to contact the players and organize the CalChess Girls' Championship Playoff, if necessary. Passes 6-0, unanimously.

4. CalChess Journal Issues, Yahoo! Groups—Table, handle via electronic forum/email.

5. Review bids for future 2008 CalChess State Adult Championship

Motion 080210.2 (Garbe/Azhar): To designate Richard Koepcke as the Organizer of the 2008 CalChess State Championships. Motion passes 5-0; Kirshner not present to vote.

6. Treasurer Status

Kurt Garbe accepts Treasurer's role, will oversee someone qualified to do the work of CPA/tax preparer.

7. CalChess website updates

Motion 080210.3 (Azhar/Garbe): To authorize Michael Aigner to negotiate with Eric Hicks to take over the webmaster role. Motion passes 5-0, Kirshner not present to vote.

8. Discuss bidding process for 2009 CalChess State Scholastic Championships

Set a date for bid submissions, then have a meeting for the Board to discuss the competing proposals.

Motion 080210.4 (Poehlmann/Garbe): To authorize Tom Langland to publicize a Call for Bids for the 2009 Scholastic Championships with a bid deadline of 6/9/08. Motion passes 4-0, Azhar abstains, Kirshner not present to vote.

Next meeting set for 4/12/08 at BayAreaChess & East/South Invitational 2pm

Meeting adjourned 4:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Roger Poehlmann

Interim Business via email between meetings

Motion 080627 (Kirshner/Langland): That we approve Salman Azhar's four year proposal/contract to become the organizer for CalChess State Scholastic Championships (Salman_proposal_2009_rev3b)

With the following amended language to replace section 12(c):

The amount will be based on when the Organizer is informed of that termination prior to the tournament. The structure for the 2009 tournament will be as follows: September(or before)=\$100, October=\$200, November=\$400, December=\$800, January=\$1600 and February(and up to the tournament start)=\$3200. The CalChess Board may revisit this structure at their organization meeting after the General Membership meeting in September of 2009, 2010 and 2011. At that time they may change the termination fee structure by a 2/3rds vote of the Board members based upon the Board's current finances. Motion passes 6-1, with Gurtovoy opposed and Azhar abstaining.

Motion 080731 (Kirshner/McCumiskey): For CalChess to close its Nova, uSight accounts. Motion passes 6-0 with Azhar and Langland abstaining.

Motion 080814 (Kirshner/Garbe): That CalChess provide a \$300 stipend to the CalChess representatives to the Denker and Polgar tournaments. Motion passes 6-0 with Aigner abstaining. Langland did not vote.