

Southern California Chess Federation (SCCF)
Board Meeting Minutes
Site: Beverly Hills Chess Club, Beverly Hills, CA
January 6, 2013

1. Establish Quorum

Attendees: Dewain Barber, Jim Bullock, Phil Chase, Ankit Gupta (by phone), Randy Hough, Takashi Iwamoto, Elliott Landaw, Isabelle Minoofar, Steve Morford, Mike Nagaran, Alfred Ong, Jack Peters (guest)
Absent: Chuck Ensey

2. Appointment to Fill Board Vacancy

Alfred Ong was nominated and unanimously elected to fill the board vacancy.

3. Approve Minutes of November 10, 2012

Minutes approved with changes to the place of the meeting and to the subscription memberships being changed to club memberships.

4. Treasurer's Report (Hough)

- Current money in general account (excludes scholastic reserve): \$428.
- Scholastic reserve account is unchanged.

5. Current Membership Report (Hough)

- 390 regular memberships
- 172 junior memberships
- 33 family memberships
- 9 club memberships
- 9 life memberships
- 7 executive board gratis magazines
- 2 subscriber

6. State Championship (Peters)

Jack Peters proposed to the board the following plan for keeping the Invitational State Championship going for 2013

- Treated like an SCCF tournament and no conflict of SCCF tournaments
- Organized by Jack Peters
- Candidates' tournament run by Randy Hough, maximum 10 participants, probable 2 invited to championship (number to be decided by Jack Peters)
- Jack Peters finds all the funding for the tournament—no expense to the SCCF, including the FIDE \$120 fee
- Jack Peters (reigning champion) will not participate in the tournament
- If not enough funding, Jack Peters will cancel the tournament. He will decide the date of the go/no-go decision in about a month
- Tentative timeline is June for the Candidates' Tournament, July for the Invitational Championship

Board unanimously approved the proposal (Bullock motion, Chase second).

7. FIDE Fees

The Federation Internationale Des Escheques (FIDE) has imposed a one-time arbiter's license fee for tournament directors to conduct FIDE-rated tournaments, beginning January 1, 2013. Ankit Gupta has paid that fee.

8. California Scholastic Championship

- Hanley Chess Academy has advertised a California State Championship tournament, though it's not the official state championship.
- Since it's not the official championship, the webmaster will be directed to take the tournament off of the SCCF website.

9. Memorial Day Classic (Morford)

- Steve Morford talked with the Ontario Sheraton about facilitating the Memorial Day Classic.
- The fee for all the space would be \$725/day.
- Space is 2000 ft² for the main room, 500 ft² for the store, and 725 ft² for a skittles/scholastic room.
- Hotel rate is \$89/night with free parking.
- Motion to authorize Steve to rent the Sheraton was unanimously approved (Hough motion, Chase second).

10. Next Meeting

Place: Academic Chess
26941 Cabot Road, Suite 110
Laguna Hills, CA
Date: Sunday, February 24, 2013
Time: 1:00 pm