

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHESS FEDERATION**  
**BOARD MINUTES**  
**11-21-21**

**1. ESTABLISH QUORUM:** present: Steve Morford, Dewain Barber, Jim Harrell, Dylan Quercia (@1:49 pm)

Present via Zoom: Keith Martin, Brian Glover, Pooja Kylasa, Chuck Ensey, Abhishek Kylasa, James Mennela, Sean Manross,

**Board members:** Steve Morford, Chuck Ensey, Jim Harrell, Dewain Barber, Brian Glover, Keith Martin, Dylan Quercia, Abhishek Kylasa, Pooja Kylasa, James Mennella, Jonney Machtig, Sean Manross

**2. APPROVE 10-17-21 MINUTES:** Motion/Second (M/S) to approve as presented, Chuck/Keith...all approved

**3. TREASURER'S REPORT:** Bottom line is: Total: \$15,576.62. See report for complete details. ...discussion as to whether to move funds into the premium account, penalties or not for moving monies, Pooja asked to seek answers to this inquiry. Also, what are our tax obligations (fed and state) on these funds... Motion/Second (M/S) to approve as presented, Keith/Dewain, all approved

**4. MEMBERSHIP REPORT** Motion/Second (M/S) to approve as presented, Dewain/Jim...all approved

**5. APPOINT SIXTH DELEGATE** Motion/Second (M/S) to approve as presented, M/S Steve/Dewain to move Jim from alternate to delegate... all approved

**6. APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS** Motion/Second (M/S) to approve as presented with the addition of Sean Manross onto the college committee, Steve/Dewain...all approved

**7. REPORT OF ON-LINE MEETING WITH US CHESS BOARD PRESIDENT** Abhishek represented us and gave a report to us at our meeting today. This was followed by a brief Q & A concerning Abhishek's experience at the meeting with a focus on terms and verbiage used by USCF.

**8. PUBLICATIONS** co-chair Brian shared topics the committee has been discussing.

**9. MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND TOURNAMENT** assuming this will be a post-COVID live tournament, Steve will start gathering information from potential hotel sites to be shared in future meetings of this board.

**10. SELECTION PROCESS FOR APPOINTING REP TO 2022 NATIONAL TOURNAMENT OF SENIOR STATE CHAMPIONS** M/S Steve/Keith We will pick our representative and alternate to the 2022 National Tournament of Senior State Champions by selecting the highest Southern California Seniors on the March rating list . M/S Steve/Keith ++ .... All approved.

**11. SUPERSTATES** president Steve has reached out to Jay Stallings concerning a bid on this event.

**12. OTHER SCHOLASTIC TOPICS**

1] Dylan: concerning *Chess Prodigies*, other than our 501(c)(3) status, we're up and running. All other things are approved by the gov't of California. Sincere thanks to Dewain Barber for his help in making this happen. Dewain Barber shared his understanding and views on this endeavor. His passion and dedication to *Chess Prodigies* is appreciated by the members of the SCCF Board of Directors.

2] M/S Dewain Barber/Dylan to make the per student (under 18 years old) fee for SCCF membership at \$15 as of January 1, 2022. ... all approved.

- 13. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP** (discussion item) let's start a plan to raise prize funds to hold a tournament to determine state champions. Pooja has talked with her group's board to host, possibly in the summer of 2022. Dylan will help Pooja, and all will work with Steve on this.
- 14. COLLEGE CHESS** Abhishek updated us on finals of the college chess league. 160 US Colleges and some international colleges participated. University of Chicago vs University of Warsaw played in the finals, University of Chicago took the title. There was a \$25,000 prize pool.
- 15. DETERMINE DATE/TIME FOR NEXT MEETING** January 9, 2022 1:00 pm

**Adjourned at:** 4:30 pm