

Southern California Chess Federation (SCCF)
Board Meeting Minutes
Site: Academic Chess, Laguna Hills
July 27, 2014

1. Establish Quorum

Attendees: Adam Brody, Jim Bullock, Phil Chase, Ankit Gupta, Isabelle Minoofar, Steve Morford, Mike Nagaran, Ashok Ramadoss.

Absent: Dewain Barber, Chuck Ensey, Elliott Landaw, Alfred Ong.

2. Approve Minutes of June 29, 2014

Minutes were approved with no changes.

3. Treasurer's Report (Ramadoss)

- The General account has a balance of \$9,481.
- The Scholastic Reserve account has a balance of \$8,395.
- Payments for the *Rank & File* magazine and the Memorial Day Classic scholastic tournament trophies (\$200) have not yet been made.

4. Membership Report

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| • 187 regular memberships | • Free club memberships not reported |
| • 59 junior premium memberships | • 10 life memberships |
| • 99 junior discount (\$3) memberships | • 2 subscriber memberships |
| • 5 family memberships | • 7 USCF executive board gratis magazines |

4A. Postcards to Former Members (Gupta)

About 200 memberships have expired in the last year without renewal. Board may send postcards to these former members at a cost of 33¢/postcard in color with address labels. Gupta and Ramadoss to price postage.

4B. Family Memberships

Board approved that a one-year family membership would now be \$28, which includes one *Rank & File* magazine and eligibility of entire household for SCCF tournament play. (Minoofar abstention.)

5. 2014 Invitational State Championship (Chase)

Update on tournament. David King will probably be the tournament director. Ashok took the action to invite the participants.

6. 2014 Candidates Tournament

- The board unanimously approved the time control to be 40/90, G/30 with 30s increment. (Gupta motion, Ramadoss second)
- The board approved \$200 for the tournament director and \$20 for the facility. (7 ayes, Nagaran abstention)
- The board unanimously approved round times of Saturday 1 pm and 5 pm and Sunday 10 am and 4 pm. (Gupta motion, Chase second)

6A. 2015 Candidates Tournament

Board action postponed. Discussion included prize fund and how to recognize sponsors.

7. 2015 Western Amateur Team Bid (Morford)

The USCF accepted the SCCF bid for hosting next year's Western Amateur Team tournament, Feb. 14-16. The site is still to be determined.

8. 2015 Superstates

- Still awaiting payments and emails from 2014 event.
- Draft Request for Proposal will be emailed to board. Looking for bid responses by September 30.
- Other scholastic SCCF event organizers will be contacted to ensure memberships are collected.

8A. Online Clearinghouse

- The board unanimously approved that tournaments that will be advertised in the SCCF website must have a Tournament Life Announcement (TLA) format and a tournament site. (Gupta motion, Morford second)
- Subsequent to the meeting, by email vote, the board appointed Dylan Quercia as the new Clearinghouse Coordinator.

9. 2014 Board Election/Annual Membership Meeting

- Election to be held at the Southern California Open Championship on Labor Day weekend. Balloting will be closed on Sunday at 3 pm, which is the start of the Annual Membership Meeting.

10. Next Meeting

Place: Academic Chess
26941 Cabot Road, Suite 110
Laguna Hills, CA
Date: Sunday, October 12 (changed from Sept. 14)
Time: 1:30 pm