

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHESS FEDERATION

### December MEETING Minutes - 12-21-2023

1. **ESTABLISH QUORUM** attendees: Alaa Moussa; Keith Martin, James Harrell, Mason Welch, Irena Nizmutdinova, Randall Hough, Chuck Ensey. **Quorum established at 7:06 and Alaa called the meeting to order.** Frank joined at 7:16.
2. **APPROVE AGENDA** Motion/Second, (M/S), Alaa/James ... all approved
3. **APPROVE Nov 23 MINUTES** M/S to approve, Alaa/James ... all approved
4. **Alaa's remarks:**
  - a. American Open summarized. Irena interacted with scholastic participants/families specifically to replace Google spreadsheet usage with *Caissa Chess Tournament Directing*.
  - b. Superstates
  - c. 2024 SCCF objectives (tournaments/membership, *Rank & File...*).
    - i. Mason: discussion of a SCCF Club Championship Tournament. Format and other details. Mason will work on the concept of interclub championship and compiling a list of clubs that might be interested in participating. Randall and Chuck shared their thoughts and related experiences. Alaa will reach out to the Ong family (Chess Center) and see if they have any interest in organizing the MDC Classic.
    - ii. State Championship: Chuck shared his thoughts and reviewed past SCCF involvement. Alaa will seek backers for this event.
5. **FINANCIAL REPORT (Frank)** summarized the file sent to Board members prior to our meeting. A brief discussion ensued.
6. **MEMBERSHIP REPORT (Randy)** summarized the file sent to Board members prior to our meeting. Not much change since the previous report. *Rank & File* benefits discussed, briefly.
7. **COMMITTEES Roundtable**
  - a. CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS -
  - b. CLUBS & LEAGUES -
  - c. COLLEGE CHESS -
  - d. ELECTIONS -
  - e. ETHICS -
  - f. FINANCE -
  - g. MEMBERSHIP -
  - h. NATIONAL EVENTS -
  - i. PUBLICATIONS -

- i. *Rank & File* discussed. We're looking for someone to take it over and produce and distribute it to our members.
- ii. Facebook discussed. Keith still needs administration access to post updates, etc. Dylan will hopefully provide this when he returns to California.

- j. PUBLIC RELATIONS -
- k. SCHOLASTIC –
- l. TITLE EVENTS -
- m. TOURNAMENT DEVELOPMENT -
- n. USCF REPRESENTATION -
- o. WOMEN'S -
- p. DISABLED & ACCESSIBILITY -

**8. DETERMINE DATE/TIME FOR NEXT MEETING** Next meeting: Monday January 22, 2024 7:00pm

**Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm**