



Queen City Chess Club of Regina

Annual General Meeting Minutes
January 5, 2017 – 7:00pm
University of Regina, Riddell Centre, Food Court

Attendance: Thomas Boshoff, Ian Cook, Ralph Eschbach, Ljubo Hudjek, Justin Kline, Simon Li, Andrew Li, Brandin Titanich.

Call to Order: 7:00pm

Appointing of the 2016 Chess Executive

- President – Tom Boshoff – nominated by Brandin Titanich, seconded by Ian Cook, passed unanimously.
- Vice President – Simon Li
- Treasurer – Justin Kline
- Tournament Director – Ralph Eschbach
- Webmaster (Website, Facebook) – Tom Boshoff (Ralph Eschbach to be added to FB)
- Communications (Email Contact) – Tom Boshoff
- Chess in the Park Coordinator – Simon Li

Brandin Titanich will continue as Treasurer until March 31, 2017 then forward the records to Justin Kline and review the process. A backup of records will be kept a minimum of 7 years.

Tom and Brandin will continue to run the upcoming tournament. Ralph will transition into the Tournament Director role in the spring. A task list is available for assistance in tournament preparation.

Ralph Eschback will provide additional support on Facebook. Tom or Brandin will add Facebook Edit access for Ralph.



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Presentation of 2016 Financial Statements and 2017 Annual Budget

Brandin Titanich presented the 2016 Statement of Financial Position, Inventory Listing, Statement of Operations, and 2017 Annual Budget. Financial Statements were circulated to anyone interested.

Discussion regarding write off of John McIntyre's old sports bags. Tom is interested in old inventory. Brandin will forward a picture to Tom. Anything not claimed after next week will be donated or discarded if not acceptable for donation.

Membership Fees

Premium Membership Fees and benefits were reviewed. Currently at \$20 per year, with a 25% discount for seniors and children between the ages of 12 and 17. No fee for children under 12, or University of Regina students. Full benefits listed on website.

Proposal to keep fees at \$20 for the 2017 year. Carried by consensus.

Possible Spending Areas

Donation of \$500 – Restricted for Club Growth, Schools, Increased Memberships

Ian Cook clarified that these funds are not restricted, but would like to see club growth in general. May also include Coaching, Support (hiring staff), or other needs. A maximum of \$200 will be used on starting the provincial non-profit association.

Discussion around re-starting the Saskatchewan Chess Association (provincial body, registered non-profit organization). Brandin Titanich provided comments from Chess Federation of Canada. Brandin agreed to help begin the process of incorporation before March 31, 2017.

Executive / Board Representation may potentially include:

- Tom Boshoff (Regina, President of Chess Club)
- Simon Li (Regina, Vice President of Chess Club, head of Scholastic Association)
- John Ng (Saskatoon, former President of Chess Club)
- Brian MacLeod (Saskatoon)
- Michel Gravel (Saskatoon, Scholastic Secretary)
- Donald MacKinnon (Saskatoon, Vice President of Scholastic Association)
- Tony de Padua (Prince Albert, Director of Scholastic Association)
- Potential interest from Moose Jaw and Yorkton
- Ian Cook (Consultant only, not part of Board / Executive)



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Chess Program Support in Schools – to be revisited after provincial association is established. Largest remaining Chess presence at Massey School, followed by Campbell Collegiate.

Additional Digital Clocks and General Equipment replacement
Funds held in budget. Replace or purchase as required.

Suggestion to purchase a standing banner. Estimated price of \$100 or \$70 on sale. Saskatoon Club purchased a professional-looking banner. Banner would be used for promotion at Chess in the Park, tournaments, etc. Ralph Eschbach will investigate further.

Future Plans

South Saskatchewan Chess Championship – February 2017

Brandin Titanich will register as Arbiter through the Chess Federation of Canada.

Nicolene Claassen and her sister are also willing to provide assistance at the tournament.

Scholastic Regionals, Provincials, Nationals

- Regionals will be held February 11, 2017 at the University of Regina. Simon will be coordinating. No additional help required. Simon will forward information to Brandin or Tom for event promotion.
- Provincials will be held April 1, 2017 in Saskatoon.
- Nationals will be held in May 2017 in Toronto.

Kids Chess Club

Cancelled due to lack of attendance. Children welcome to attend regular club meetings. May revisit program with Chess Program Support in Schools after provincial association is established.

Chess in the Park

Simon Li will coordinate Saturdays from 10:00am to 12:00pm. Other club members available to provide backup support. Brandin Titanich will setup contract with Regina Downtown Business Improvement District then forward to Simon Li.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:55pm.