

Calgary Junior Chess Club Annual General Meeting

June 18, 2017, 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Beginning

Motion: I move that the CJCC Secretary chair this meeting in place of the President, by mutual agreement, and that the Secretary, as Chair, will vote on motions only in the event of a tie.

Moved by Vera, Seconded by Vlad. Voted in Favour

Chair

Sharron Spicer

Welcome and Introductions

Attendances is around 35, not including board members

Players and parents are members (noting that we have not actually had parents purchase memberships this year) and are eligible to vote.

Introduction of Board Members (slide)

Position	Name	Attendance
President	Guoliang Wu	Present
Vice-President	Angelo Tolentino	Regrets
Secretary	Sharron Spicer	Present
Treasurer	Ved Sharma	Present
Tournament Coordinator	Vlad Rekhson	Present
Chess School Coordinator	Diwen Shi	Present
Chess in the Library Coordinator	Kevin Zhao	Present
Director	Giri Koneru	Regrets
Director	Vera Li	Present
Director	Steven Peter	Regrets
Director	Chandra Papneja	Present
Director	Yilong Qin	Regrets
Youth Member	Dhruv Jindal	Regrets
Youth Member	Jerry Li	Regrets
Youth Member	Lauren Spicer	Regrets
Youth Member	Andre Tolentino	Regrets
Youth Member	Jeff Wang	Present
Past President	Paul Gagne	Present

Purpose of the meeting: to discuss goals and direction of the club; want to involve parents and players in its growth; give direction to and choose members for board. (Not to make operational decisions at the AGM; will elect new board to carry out planning)

Overview of Programs

Objectives: Guide beginners, assist schools, help juniors of all levels, host tournaments (from By-laws)

Events:

Chess School (9) – great opportunity for beginners and intermediate players; average 29

Sunday Drop-In (CCC)

Chess in the Library – has attracted new players to the club

Monthly Tournaments (10) – increasing registrations over the year, average 40, max 54

Special Tournaments (e.g. Calgary Youth Championship, Calgary Chess Challenge, Calgary School Championship, Calgary Junior Championship) Calgary Youth 64, CCC 103, Calgary School 107, Calgary Junior 33

Advanced Competitions (e.g. AYCC in Edmonton, CYCC in Sault Ste. Marie)

TD Workshop

Total of about 280 individual chess players

Sponsorship: CJCC/ACA/CCC provided financial assistance to players travelling to Red Deer(ACC), Edmonton(AYCC) and Toronto (CYCC), Brazil (WYCC).

Thank CCC and ACA; specifically for \$250 x 10 for Canadian Chess Challenge in Toronto.

Financial Report (Ved)

Include:

Opening Balance 2016/17: about \$3743.39

Closing Balance 2016/17: about \$6964.01 (approx.)

(Opening Balance 2015/16:\$659, Closing \$ 3743.39)

Monthly Tournaments and chess schools are self-funding

Sponsorship to provincial, national and international tournaments

Honoraria to TDs

Ongoing funding by CCC

Opportunities and Challenges

Increasing membership

Creates need for larger venue, more volunteer support, more coaching, more differentiation between beginner/intermediate and advanced players

Communication

Website overhaul (thanks Guoliang); improved capacity for listing events, e-mailing members, etc.

Potential for more on-line services (eg. registration, payment); needs to be further discussed by board

Venue

Searching for larger space; needs include accessibility, noise control, supervision, low cost

Operations

Incorporation as a society

Review partnerships with ACA, CCC

Fund-raising (eg. casino)

Volunteers opportunities for all parents, different roles

Differentiate players based on skills, support different groups of players

Review of Constitution and Bylaws (Ved)

Ved explained that the reason to change the bylaws is to meet the government requirement as a non-profit organization

(Changes require motions with 75% approval as per By-laws)

Motions

- I move that the new name of club shall be “Calgary Junior Chess Club (CJCC)”, from “Calgary Junior Chess Club”
 - Moved by Ved, seconded by Vera, voted in favour
- I move that the tournament director fee be raised to \$20 from \$10.
 - Moved by Chandra, seconded by Ved, voted in favour
- I move that we should make changes to the Bylaws as required by government registration.
 - Moved by Ved, seconded by Kevin, voted in favour
- I move that the Bylaws be amended such that 2 auditors (who did not have signing authority in the previous year) shall be elected at the AGM for the purpose to review the accounts of the previous year. If none are elected, the Board may appoint two people.
 - Moved by Paul, seconded by Chandra, voted in favour
- I move that two auditors from outside of the Board shall be elected to review the accounts for the coming year
 - Moved by Ved, seconded by (not recorded), voted against

Awards and Thanks (Guoliang)

Vlad Rekhson

Vera Li

Angelo Tolento

Kevin Zhao

Diwen Shi

Chenxi Wu

Jeff Wang

Steven Peter

Sharron Spicer

Nimai Koneru

Election of New Board Members

Position	Name	Moved By	Seconded By	Voted
President	Vera Li	Chandra	Jim	In Favour
Vice-President	Angelo Tolentino	Jim	Chandra	In Favour
Treasurer	Chandra Papneja	Vera	Kevin	In Favour
Secretary	Vikas Chandra	Chandra	Aditya	In Favour
Tournament Coordinator	Frank Kluytmans	Vlad	Chandra	In Favour
Director	Vlad Rekhson	Guoliang	Ved	In Favour
Director	Yilong Qin	Guoliang	Kevin	In Favour
Director	Giri Koneru	Guoliang	Vera	In Favour
Director	Roy Yearwood	Vera	Paul	In Favour
Youth Member	Nimai Koneru	Guoliang	Paul	In Favour
Youth Member	Andrew Xu	Guoliang	Chandra	In Favour
Youth Member	Ian Zhao	Chandra	Guoliang	In Favour
Honorary Director	Paul Gagne	Vera	Chandra	In Favour
Past President	Guoliang Wu	N/A	N/A	In Favour

Position (not on board)	Name	Moved By	Seconded By	Voted
Auditor	Wojtek Kowalczewski	Vlad	Chandra	In Favour
Auditor	Frank Kluytmans	Jim	Vera	In Favour