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Chess Scotland Council Meeting 30th April, 2016

Agenda

Attendees

Jim Webster, Andy Howie, David Congalton, Alastair White, Ken Stewart,
Andrew McCulloch, Fiona Petrie, Ian Brownlee

Apologies for absence

Dougie Bryson, Andrew Burnett, John Montgomery, Karen Howie

1. Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising

No matters arising

Approved Andy Howie
David Congalton seconded

2. Directors Report

Presidents Report

Constitution – sent out revamped constitution to management.
Received some comments back and have been looked at being
implemented. PVG procedure being updated by Hamish Glen. Now got
three operating procedures now in place also now has 3 job
descriptions.

Will be calling special general meeting solely for discussion constitution.
New Proxy forms for voting will be available for members for voting at
the SGM.

Executive Director/FIDE Delegate



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First year in a while Andy has enjoyed his job. Everything is running more smoothly. Looking forward to meetings at Olympiad – has been asked to nominate Alex and Lara for the Olympiad. First year of no major in-fighting.

Moderator Noticeboard – Ian mentioned no major issues on forum for the last year either. Only issue is over people trying to use aliases for noticeboard. Small discussion.

FIDE/ECU – Meetings in Dresden regarding Seniors. JW offered to attend meeting – will contact seniors.

FINANCE REPORT

Lot of things coming up – Junior events, Grand Prix, Scottish Chess championships. This is time of year we normally approved budget for following year – total income usually site around £26,200 – taking out running costs etc. Looking at £4,600 International/Home Events excluding donations – looking for £4,500.

Brief discussion on membership fees/magazines. Will be posted on website when complete

JUNIOR HOME AND INTERNATIONAL

We are sending a team out under 16 to Olympiad. Have a fairly good team for the Glorney this year. All organisation going along smoothly. Rooms reserved in Daventry. Received a lot of help from Liz Sams and Marie Shafi in this regard for which we are grateful.

Currently getting numbers together for Primary Individual.

Olympiad next year is in India.

Trying to develop a structure with a pinnacle i.e U16, Glorney and possible European equivalent.

ARBITERS COMMITTEE

Minutes from committee meeting should be up on website shortly. Looking at combining FIDE Arbiter Course and Arbiter course. Made



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some progress on Rules for Richardson & Spens. Minutes will be available in a days.

Jim Webster will phone Hamish and Dick regarding storage.

Karen Howie will take a note to inform Ken of lapsed members who are on arbiters list for Ken to make a decision on their removal.

MARKETING DIRECTOR

Had meeting in February with Adam Wilkie. Looking at possible Facebook campaign, Poster campaign etc. Mentioned briefly on how charitable status would benefit us. Working with Executive Director on other funding.

HOME DIRECTOR

Nancy Elder still to be completed.

Mclsaac

Discussion on Mclsaac. Discussion on whether to open up to bigger tournament with higher section still being classed as Mclsaac.

3. Management Board Appointments – Hamish Glen to PVG Lead, Duncan Campbell to Standards Committee Chair

Council were invited to confirm the nominations of Hamish Glen to PVG Lead and Duncan Campbell to Standards Committee Chair. There were no objections.

4. Items by Council Members

4.1 School Chess – Linda McCusker



Has the CD for setting up Schools Clubs was ever found.

Despite best efforts, have been unable to locate the CD

Asked why there has been an addition of a coach who had been previously been removed for assaulting a Junior. Jim Webster advised he had replied to this by email.

Expansion of Chess in Schools into Scotland. Malcolm Pein is keen to do this and has been endorsed by Andy and Jim.

4.2 Fide Rating Number Policy – Douglas Bryson

The procedure as suggested by Dougie Bryson was adopted without objection.

5. Items by Members (all by Andy Muir)

5.1 The Scottish Champion must be SCO Fide affiliated

After a fairly robust discussion, it was felt that this should be passed to the AGM for a decision.

5.2 The Scottish Championships shall not overlap the Glorney Cup Dates

Meeting was informed we do not control the dates for the Glorney Cup so in practice this would be impossible

Council rejected the motion



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- 5.3 A player who refuses selection for Glorney Cup without good reason shall be barred from any funding for a year.**

After a short discussion Council rejected the motion



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6. AOCB

Blitz Events

David Clayton is introducing a new series of Friday night Blitz events with the help of Fiona Petrie and John McNicol – Fiona will email Dougie with details to allow them to be put on the calander

Separate Seniors Page on Website.

Jim Suggested that there should be a separate Seniors page on the website given our proliferation of senior players

Council agreed and passed this suggestion