

Chess Scotland Management Board

Date: Wednesday 6th September 2017.

Minutes of meeting

Apologies: A Burnett, A Howie

1. Richardson Cup

Following the review of the Richardson Cup playing rules and their subsequent publication on the Chess Scotland website, these rules have now been formally passed to the Rules and Arbiters Committee for incorporation and publication.

All clubs entering the Richardson will be sent a copy of these rules after their entry registration has been processed.

Chess Scotland will purchase Swiss Manager licenses to enable publication of teams and pairings for this event and these will also be used for other Chess Scotland events. The cost of these licenses will be paid from a donation made to Chess Scotland.

2. Financial Accounts 2017

The final accounts have been returned from the auditors and fully signed. These will be published on the Chess Scotland website. Additionally, the accounts for 2016, and an overview of the accounts for the past 5 years will also be published.

The accounts will be circulated to Council for approval and council will be asked if they wish a meeting to specifically approve these accounts or if they wish to hold approval to the formal Council meeting planned for late January/early February 2018. The AGM authorised Council to act on its behalf for formal approval of the 2017 accounts.

3. Junior Grading Fees

As determined by the AGM a working group has been setup in conjunction with NEJCA and LJC to examine this and report back to the Management Board for the November meeting. Douglas Bryson will act as Chairman and Chess Scotland will have additional Management Board members as part of this working group.

4. Disability Officer

Ruairidh McKay was invited to the Board meeting to meet the Directors and to formally endorse his appointment as Disability Officer for Chess Scotland.

This has now been formally announced on the Chess Scotland website

5. Glorney 2018

Chess Scotland has appointed the following members of the Committee for the organisation of the Glorney 2018 events. Others will be called upon where specialized skills and knowledge may be required.

Ian Brownlee	Administration and Communications
Jim Webster/Andy Howie	Liaison with Glorney Secretariat and participating nations
Fiona Petrie	Selection Board Chair and Junior representative
Alex McFarlane	Venue and Arbiters
Andy Muir	Training and selection committee member
David Congalton	Budget
TBA (all at present)	Funding and Sponsorship
Selection Committee	To be formed by Fiona

Chess Scotland is also intending to adopt a squad system for each of the teams and players will be invited to participate and the squads will take part in training sessions. The squads will be announced on the Chess Scotland website later when they have been finalised. The intention is two-fold, to give the squad members due recognition in Scottish Chess and to give those not making the squad an achievement target to aim for.

The U12 squad, under the tutelage of Richard Jennings, already in operation will continue and additional training assistance may be made available if requested.

Chess Scotland are also considering entering a "Glorney" team into the Spens Cup for this season. It will depend upon player availability. It is not the intention to take players already committed to either Richardson or Spens teams entering, but may consist of a combination of players from Glorney/Gilbert and Robinson teams. A captain/manager for this will be required for the logistics of entering this team.

6. Unfilled Management and Council Vacancies

To date only one application for consideration has been received, and therefore Chess Scotland will seek additional nominations by posting on the website before any decisions are made. In the interim current directors of Chess Scotland will share the responsibilities of the unfilled posts.

The unfilled positions are: -

Management Board

Home Director (Adult), Marketing and Sponsorship Director

Council

Club Representatives (2), Individual Member Representatives (2) Youth Development Officer

7. Next Management Board Meeting

Wednesday November 29th, 2017, Petal Meeting Rooms, 18:30 – 21:00