



Minutes of Council Meeting – 16 November 2014

In attendance – Ken Stewart, Fiona Petrie, Douglas Bryson, Richard Heathwood, David Congalton, June Underwood, Jim Webster, Hamish Glen, Andy Howie, Karen Howie

Apologies – Keith Rose, Alex McFarlane, Linda McCusker, Joy Durno, John Montgomery, Andy Muir, Alan Borwell, David Deary, Phil Thomas, Gerald Lobley, Steven Mannion

Minutes of Previous meeting

Both Glorney & Scottish Chess Championships both went very well.

Funding Committee – members set – AH apologies for not getting up and running yet due to commitments.

Team Lightning Trophy – still actively working on it – quiches too soft – going for another Rosebowl.

Magazine – Editor – letter sent to Peter Woods, now appointed Andy Burnett. 3 magazines now issued.

Chess Scotland Archives – HG has tried to call Sam Collins – David Congalton to send a letter to ask for another key. HG will continue to pursue Sam Collins but his work commitments he's hard get a hold of.

Accounts – dropped off at accountants in October – DC has contacted to chase up – were in process still of being audited. Will forward copy to AH to place on CS website as soon as available

Dougie Bryson mentioned David Deary was going to hold meetings regarding grading fees for juniors ATM the fees are still zero.

Proposed accurate – Jim Webster Seconded AH.

2. Matters Carried Forward from AGM.

Discussion at AGM – FIDE brought in for FIDE events – guideline for CS events for disabled play. DH concerned about wording of rule 3. Discussion on wording of 4 – “notifying as soon as possible after the tournament is advertised” – per DC. Discussion on 5 – now illegal within laws of Chess to penalise disabled player. Discussion on 7 – discussion on whether we should re-word. JW suggested



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just a notice up with number of doctor in case of emergency. HG suggested leave as is, agreed. Any adjustments will now be made and issued to Ian Brownlee, if he's happy then this will be uploaded.

3. Printed Grading List

Some people do still want a printed grading book. Idea to print a small copy to order as opposed to bulk order. Agreed. DB will advertise in June for those who want to order a copy.

4. Parental Consent Form

Linda McCusker passed this on to her successor.

DH is concerned over who is actually response ie head of delegation or parent. Is this something Home Junior Board should look at, along with Steve Mannion. HG asked what form was used for Glorney and take the issue from there. HG will also forward on the form he used and will ask for the form that Calum used for the Glorney. Accepted as long as Steve Mannion has final say on form.

5. Scottish Championship Dates

Alex finalising funding and dates will be available soon.

6. Chess in Schools.

DC spoke with Paul Shafi – working on android version. He has come to an agreement with Chess.com. Dinosaur chess at the moment is in flux. Wants to make sure fully working before Discussion on whether new pack should be made up? DC to contacted Paul Shafi and ask if we can make up new pack for schools etc.

7 AOCB

Coaching Committee

HG – speaking to SM the other day – coaching committee. Neil Berry has agreed to take on lead role along with David Deary – HG to pass on names.



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Scotland & The Basque Country – financial update. Match set up. DC said organiser of event organisers sent over 25000 euros to CS. In process of paying out for the flights. DC states cost of event should be under money sent over – CS will not be out of pocket.

Online Coaching – ideas mentioned by other members. Is there any way Chess Scotland could provide support/scholarship for online coaching. DH is this a chess Scotland initiatives or private initiative? All coaches are PVG members but AH mentioned on several occasions asked for a list of online coaching – so far no list has been provided. Concern over who is overseeing. Mentioned is more of a private arrangement between coach and child/parent. Never actually officially documented. Who is running list – IJD need to provide list in order to ensure that all on list are PVG cleared. To be deferred to coaching committee

European Team Entry Fees. – Misunderstanding on whether CS were supposed to be paying the entry fees? Not budgeted for. Cost of 100euros per team? DC would need to double check figures. HG suggests that CS should be paying for team entry as representing Scotland. Costs need to be confirmed before definitive. If cost not prohibitive then CS should pay. HG and AH agreed should pay for both teams. Agreed.

Glasgow City Museums

Ran a reasonably successful event in Scotland Street museum. Opened door for further events in Glasgow. Would Junior Home Board like to take this on? Run an event in one of the Glasgow museums for Juniors. HG suggests David Deary – AH mentioned Chris Perkin also Craig Pritchett. HG will contact Craig to see if he would be interested.

Junior Website

Not linked into the main site – needs to be updated regularly and also linked in to CS site. Calum McQueen to report back on update as to what's happening. Also contact David Deary?

Using website on Tablet/Android

A number of members are asking for this - On hold as Andy McHarg abroad.

Rules

AH will try and get the new rules onto website. DH suggests a wee article should be written and put on CS website and magazine to make new rules easier to digest. Agreed.



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Commissions

Alex McFarlane on Rules & training regulations

Stephen Hilton on Disabilities commission

Andy Howie on Anti-cheating commission.

Good to see FIDE are listening to Scotland..... Any new people wanting to be on commissions. Let AH know.

Marketing Director

Position Vacant. AH suggest that this position needs to be filled. FP has necessary skills. AH would like to propose FP Council happy. Now need another Council member to replace Fiona's place on Council. JW has agreed to be individual member

Do we reinstate Amazon link as Chess Suppliers no longer trading. Agreed. DB will reinvestigate Amazon Link. FP suggest contact PW to make sure he's finished up.

JW – Can we set up Paypal Link on CS website to pay club memberships annually? DH said only problem is that clubs don't always let us know of change of details. No problem in adding paypal page. DH did mentioned that if paypal link set up there would be an additional admin charge to offset paypal charge – agreed give the clubs additional option for paying through paypal as long as advertised. Agreed to leave until next year.

Next meeting in March.