



## Minutes

Attendees: Jim Webster (Chair), Andy Howie, David Congalton, Ian Brownlee, Fiona Petrie, Douglas Bryson, Andy Muir, Steve Sawaryn, Walter Buchanan, Karen Howie, Alastair White, Hamish Glen

### 1. Apologies for absence

Alex McFarlane, Alan Borwell, Chris Hampton, Gerald Loble, Ken Stewart, John Montgomery, Andy Burnett

### 2. Minutes of last AGM and matters arising therefrom (The minutes will be taken as read and are available on the CS website)

### 3. Approval of Annual Report, including accounts for year ending 30 April 2016 (Update of marking report attached)

## PVG

Data Cleanse – system in place for 5 years. Disclosure Scotland looking to do update – looking to put link on Website with link for anyone to update any changes to their Disclosure ie addresses etc, marital status etc. AH suggested added something to PVG page.

## Finance

accounts about 4 weeks away before going to auditors due to work commitments holidays etc. On top of day to day finances in the meantime. Reckons 6-8 weeks before published accounts etc.

Discussion on costs for Olympiad – financially – neither rich or poor since government stopped funding. Discussion on trying to secure funds from Scottish Government. To try and arranged something before next AGM.

## Junior Home

### Girls Championship

Thanks to North East Chess for hosting and providing lunches etc.

NEJCA have agreed to take run the event for Chess Scotland again next year.

Primary Schools Champion – Carolina Espinosa

Secondary Schools Champion – Monica Espinosa

Primary Individual took place at Dolphin House and was won by Jake Sanger.



Next season will be at Dalguise 2<sup>nd</sup> week of June. Will have meetings with NEJCA and Lothians to get feedback. Meeting before end of September with regard to selection etc. Looking at possibly of getting regions to pick make some selections.

International Juniors –

teams to various events. Planning for next year. Liz Sams, Elaine Grier, Mrs Shafi have been invaluable with their help this year.

Ian Brownlee proposed vote of thanks for David's input and to NEJCA for their contributions.

Andy Muir – wants more input and effort spent on Glorney. There was clash this year. Ultimate plan for 2018 to take all four tournaments. Discussion on dates and feasibility of avoiding the Scottish.

Hamish Glen - Could we start up again Boys Championships again as it has been missing for a few years? Meeting felt the idea was a good one and deserved looking at.

#### **4. Elections**

Prior to the elections, there was a discussion on proxies. Douglas Bryson asked if we can get online voting. Discussion on procedures for voting. Of 520 members we only get a very poor response on voting. Looking to improve. Andy Howie promised there would be online voting for next years AGM. Could not put it in place as needed the constitution changed beforehand.

President – 36 for none against, 1 abstention.

Exec Director – Andy Howie 37 for none against

Finance Director – David Congalton 37 for, none against.

Admin director – job description etc to be decided and voted for at October's council meeting.

International Director – Andy Burnett – 9 for 2 against.

Andy Muir – 2 for 2 against. 7 abstentions.

Andy Burnett elected as IJD

Home Director - Ian Brownlee – 36 for, none against, 1 abstention.

International Junior Director – David Congalton - 37 for, none against

Junior Home Director – David Congalton – 37 for none against.

Marketing Director – Fiona Petrie – 35 for, none against, 2 abstentions.

Arbiting Rules Director –Ken Stewart - (formerly technical director) 34 for, 1 against, 1 abstention.



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## Clubs

One expression of interest from Stewarton.

Present Clubs – suggestion by Hamish Glen place a notice on CS website. If more than 4 clubs express interest then Management Committee to decide. If no clubs come forward – use default from last year. AGM agreed with suggestion

Individual members last year Douglas Bryson, Liz Sams, Alastair White. Alastair willing to re-stand. With change in constitution Douglas is already on.

2 Congress Reps – Dundee & Angus, Lothians Congress. Dundee quite happy to re-stand. Largs (Gary McPheator?) suggested. AGM decided to follow same process as suggested by Hamish Glen previously.

## **President's award.**

Jim wants to make award this year to someone who has made great contribution as player and official. – Award presented to Dougie Bryson for services to Chess Scotland.

## **5. Matters by members.**

Chess Scotland Champion must be SCO registered. Grey areas over who is Scottish and who isn't. Discussion on wording of proposal. IE discussion on whether this is to do with number of Country code. Minor amendment – DB suggests change to federation designation instead of Country Code. AM agrees to amendment. amendment passed.

Vote on proposal. 16 for. 14 against. Motion passed.

FIDE/ECU AGM – these will take place during Olympiad – Discussion on Expulsion of Bulgarian Chess Federation. Ian Brownlee suggests Andy votes on how he see fits and uses his discretion. Meeting agreed

Recognition for most improved player – to be passed to Management Committee for consideration.

## National Allegro Championship (National Rapid Play Championships.)

Gary McPheator offered to run the McIsaac in conjunction with the Largs congress. Feeling of Management board is this should be a stand along tournament so suggestion is to have a Rapid Play Tournament. Discussion on times. McIsaac trophy to go to highest ranked SCO registered member. Nancy Elder separate tournament will remain a separate tournament. Ian Brownlee to put the ideas together to present to the next management board meeting.

Date for Next AGM – weekend after Marymass – PETA rooms centre of town.