Meeting Minutes, CSCA 2015 Board of Directors Annual Meeting

Saturday October 3, 2015 West Haven Police Dept. 200 Saw Mill Road, West Haven, CT 06516 (203) 937-3900

I. Call to order (WH Police Dept) 1:25pm

II. Notice of Meeting (Mr. Celone).

Directors Present: Jim Celone, Derek Meredith, Tom Hartmayer, John Fikiet, Rick Bauer, Bob Milardo, CJ Gregory.

Directors Absent: Dave Aldi, Bruce Swan, Rich Chang

III. Minutes of 10-3-2015 Annual Meeting (CJ Gregory).

Motion to accept: J. Fikiet, Second: D. Meredith Unanimous vote in favor. Minutes accepted.

IV. Reports

 Treasurer's Report for period supplementary to date (Mr. Milardo): Ending Balance \$2,988.97

2. Website Report (J. Celone). <u>www.CTChess.com</u>

CSCA website changes/improvements

Updated website courtesy of G. Hilhorst and J. Celone. Website is extremely easy to update. Have new photos, videos, web pages. Events easy to update.

Results easy to update, USCF events search, USCF rating search.

Play page shows places in CT to play chess.

Games section with 3 categories, CSCA games, Classic games, Problems for puzzles. CSCA Game viewer. Cut and Paste game into viewer.

People photos of all board members along with a bio. Financial area that's unused.

Members section shows Top 50 USCF members in CT.

Meetings, State champions, Scholastic champions from 2013. School team champions, etc. all listed.

Thanks to G. Hilhorst for a job well done!

3. Tournament/Events Reports (J. Celone)

Coming into tournament season. Haven't had a tournament since last meeting.

Oct 17: Fall Farmington Scholastic, at Barney Library Farmington

Nov 14: Fall Manchester Scholastic, at Manchester Church of Christ

Dec 12: Greater New Haven Open at Foote School

4. Administrator Reports:, Scholastic Chess (B. Swan), Ombudsman (R. Bauer), Scholastic Grants (D. Aldi), Membership Secretary (J. Fikiet).

Scholastic Chess Report (B. Swan, report submitted in-absentia): Interest in scholastic chess continues to grow in Fairfield. Few venues for older players to play. Efforts are lost after 5th grade. Grand Prix will continue this winter, discounts will be offered to students participating in DJA chess instruction.

Ombudsman Report (R. Bauer): Nothing to report.

Scholastic Grants Report (D. Aldi, report submitted in-absentia): Wethersfield established a program, working on logistics and scheduling for late fall or winter 2016 in Hammer school. Glastonbury 2 new fall morning programs Monday and Tuesday. Avon Farmington valley established a program. Portland Brown middle school. Homeschool southbury 20 full school year registrations ranging in age from 10 to about 16 years old. Tom Hartmayer Oct 11th G60 UCONN, November 15th tmt, December 5th Hockey Blitz tmt at XL Center. Ticket to game and registration \$25

Membership Secretary (J. Fikiet). Returned Membership documents and USB flash drive to president. Frustrated at lack of support by CSCA Board. Still waiting for 2015 Scholastics data. Reluctant to continue position under current circumstances.

V. Unfinished Business

- Proposed Changes to By-Laws to accommodate new memberships.
 Membership subcommittee report. Nothing to report, will be forthcoming at the next board meeting.
- Finance subcommittee report Nothing to report; report will be forthcoming at the next board meeting.
- 3. Mr. Jackson: 2006 Scholastic Championships organizer payment 207 x \$5 = \$1035 not paid. R. Jackson addresses Board. He wants to play in CSCA sanctioned events. Would like the Board to entertain the possibility of him holding a state championship event with J. Celone and have \$1035 of proceeds go to the CSCA to pay his debt. He would organize the event, J. Celone would be chief TD; all \$\$ flow through Edutech online registration. R. Jackson would not have access to any funds.

R. Jackson apologizes to the current Board members and those that served over the past 10 years. With the experience between J. Celone and himself they should run an excellent tournament and everyone should leave with a smile on their face. Rich says that any kid who says they can't afford to play would get in for free. Entry fee set at \$40.

VI. New Business

1. Elections

R. Bauer Motion to create Administrative position, CSCA Historian. Second B. Milardo. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

Motion to remove R. Chang from the Board. Second. Rich has missed the last 4 meetings, possibly more. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

Motion to Nominate Alex Lumelsky to take R. Chang's spot. Second. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

Motion for J. Fikiet and B. Swan to fill open board member positions until 2020. Second. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

Motion B. Milardo to nominate J. Celone to continue as president. Second. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

Motion B. Milardo to nominate D. Aldi to continue as vice president. Second D. Meredith. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

Motion R. Bauer to nominate CJ Gregory to continue as Secretary. Second D. Meredith. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

Motion R. Bauer to nominate B. Milardo to continue as Treasurer. Second D. Meredith. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

Motion D. Meredith for T. Hartmayer to continue as Tournament Coordinator. Second R. Bauer. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

Motion for D. Aldi to continue as Scholastic Grants administrator. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

Motion B. Milardo for J. Celone to continue as Website administrator. Second D. Meredith. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

Motion T. Hartmayer for R. Bauer to continue as Ombudsman. Second D. Meredith. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

Motion J. Celone to nominate B. Swan for Membership Secretary. Second R. Bauer. 5 in favor, 2 abstain. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

Motion R. Bauer to nominate Robert Cyr for Historian. Second D. Meredith. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

Motion J. Celone to nominate Derek to be a USCF delegate. Second R. Bauer.

Meeting recess 3:13pm

Call to Order 3:23pm

Review and award bids for 2016 State Championships **
 2015 CT G5 Blitz Championship – NBCC Derek Meredith. Motion B. Milardo. Second T.
 Hartmayer. Discussion. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

2016 CT G15 Quick Championship – NBCC Derek Meredith. Motion B. Milardo. Second T. Hartmayer. Discussion. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

2016 CT G30 Rapid Championship Open. – NBCC Derek Meredith. Motion B. Milardo. Second T. Hartmayer. Discussion. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

2016 CT Championships – NBCC Derek Meredith. Motion B. Milardo. Second T. Hartmayer. Discussion. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

2016 CT K-12 Scholastic Championship. 2 Bids.

1) East Hartford A. Lumelsky / T. Hartmayer, 2) Greenwich R. Jackson / J. Celone

2016 CT K-12 Scholastic Championship

2016 CT K-8 Scholastic Championship

2016 CT K-6 Scholastic Championship

2016 CT K-3 Scholastic Championship 2016 CT K and 1st Grade Scholastic Championships

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Discussion. Anonymous vote 5-2 in favor of A. Lumelsky / T. Hartmayer.

CT Scholastic Blitz Championship – T. Hartmayer. Motion B. Milardo. Second R. Bauer. Discussion. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

CT Scholastic Girls Championship – T. Hartmayer. Motion B. Milardo. Second R. Bauer. Discussion. Unanimous vote in favor. Motion carries.

- Calendar of CT Chess Events. Updated regularly at <u>www.CTChess.com</u>
- Other New Business
 Distribution of sample Constitution by John Fikiet.

VII. Adjournment. Call by Chairman for motion. Motion B. Milardo. Meeting adjourned 4:28pm. (3 hrs. 3 min.)