

**Illinois Chess Association**  
Board Meeting Conference Call  
November 17, 2015

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30. A quorum was established at 7:35. Attending were Bill Brock, Bill Buklis, Scott Daniels, Carl Dolson, Bill Feldman, David Franklin, Jerry Neugarten, and Murrel Rhodes.

**Approval of Minutes:**

The October minutes was approved by a vote of 8-0.

**Officers Reports:**

The President's report was approved by a vote of 8-0.

**Warren Junior Program Report:**

US Chess has provided the list of eligible juniors. Sevan Muradian is currently waiting for a proposal from the Hyatt Schaumburg for potential WJP events.

**Agreement between CPS and CCF:**

Jerry Neugarten provided a brief report on the recent agreement between CPS (Chicago Public Schools) and CCF (Chicago Chess Foundation). It is a general agreement that outlines shared goals in moving chess forward within city schools.

**Hiring of Bill Feldman as ICA Web Editor:**

The board approved the hiring of Bill Feldman as the ICA Web Editor through 2016. Open applications were sought for the position. The board determined Feldman was the best candidate for the position. The motion was approved by a vote of 7-0 with 1 abstaining.

**Discussion of the 2016 Illinois Senior Open:**

There was discussion on whether or not ICA should hold and organize the Senior Open in 2016. It was determined the event is worthwhile and with a little more advance effort, the attendance could double. The board approved a motion to organize the 2016 Illinois Senior Open by a vote of 8-0.

**Proposal for a 2016 Illinois Girls State Championship:**

Glenn Panner sent a proposal to organize an official ICA Girls State Championship tournament in February of 2016 as a lead-up to the National All-Girls tournament held in April. The board discussed the merits of the event and its potential in future years. The board approved a motion to appoint Bill Buklis to work with Glen in getting a complete bid proposal for the tournament by a vote of 7-0 with 1 abstaining.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:56pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday December 10, 2015.