

ICA Board Phone Conference
April 8, 2010, 7:30 p.m.

Present: Carl Dolson, Tom Sprandel, Maret Thorpe, Jerry Neugarten, Andi Rosen, Bill Brock arrived late.

Absent: David Long, Bill Barton, Garrett Scott

Minutes were approved with one minor correction from Jerry Neugarten.

Treasurer's Report. Carl Dolson said we received a matching donation from Kraft.

Membership. Tom Sprandel reported we are near 280 in membership. Tom will do a membership drive. Chris Merli will help with membership. We will also receive some memberships later via Bill Goichberg from registrants to his two Chicago-area events.

Warren Program. Andi Rosen had no report.

Web Report. Maret Thorpe has set up a test site at another host. We will set up the domain registration to automatically renew and maybe pay it several years out. Maret Thorpe and Tom Sprandel have all the information on the domain registration and site hosting, including passwords, and this info will be given to Carl Dolson as well. Site visits are up in the past month.

A new template and design have been implemented on the live site. Right-column ad display now works correctly, so ICA can sell ad space on the web page. We couldn't sell ads before, because the ads disappeared on some browsers.

ICB Schedule and Budget. Bill Brock reports he will be publishing after April 15.

Bid Committee

a. 2010 All Grade—that is essentially set per Bill Brock. They are looking into extra parking and insurance. Those two issues need to be followed up. Bill will discuss this further with Jerry.

b. 2011 K-8 Bids—No report. Garrett Scott is out of town. Jerry Neugarten will follow up.

Youth Committee. Jerry Neugarten will follow up with authors for sections of the web site youth section. The youth committee is working on an after school instructional program proposal, including statistics from cities with chess programs for needy kids.

2010 Illinois Open. No report.

Other Business:

Personnel Development. Neugarten and Sprandel will talk and form lists of people who would be effective volunteers, board members, etc.

Bill Brock and Tom Sprandel will discuss the ICA Banquet.

Bill Brock and Tom Sprandel will investigate what needs to be done to elect delegates for 2011.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting on April 22.