

Stephen Plotnick, President Eric Ortega, Metro VP Darren Erickson, Treasurer Joshua Flores, Secretary Lawrence Cohen William Blackman Joseph Guth Eva Harrison

Via Zoom Software the ICA Board of Directors meeting commenced on April 6, 2022 at 7:30 pm.

Present were:

Stephen Plotnick, President

Darren Erickson, Treasurer (late)

Joshua Flores, Secretary

Lawrence Cohen

Joseph Guth

Eva Harrison

Eric Ortega

A Quorum was formed.

Approval of Agenda.

Steve Motioned

Larry Seconded

Passed

Motioned to approve March Minutes

Steve Motioned

Joe Seconded.

Minutes Passed.

Motion by Darren to move Old/New Business up in Agenda.

Steve Seconded.

Motion Passed.

## **Old business**

ICA Online events Darren and Steve to make this happen.

Google Workspace - Josh is to speak with Patrick Cohen during GPO

Webpage updates

Motion by Darren

The Website Subcommittee chaired by Darren Erickson will be authorized to spend six-hundred dollars to attain estimates from three webpage developers to update presentation and software version. The best candidate will be presented to the board as a recommendation by the subcommittee.

Steve seconded

Discussion over the details of the process and expectations incurred. Josh F. offered to join the sub-committee. Josh F. offered Betsy Zacate as a possible webpage designer contact. Joe offered ClickWebDesign.com. Steve offered outsourced contacts (Asian). Total redo may not be feasible due to ICA custom code, archival issues - mostly. May be best to just do a cosmetic and software upgrade. Also Larry asked to consider membership paywall access.

Motion Passed.

ICA General Board Membership Meeting scheduled for the Friday night of the Chicago Open.

Advertising for it was discussed.

Open Board spot - ongoing until filled.

PO Box will be moved to Darren's Location.

Motion made by Steve to move PO Box to Darren E's Location.

Larry Seconded

Motion Passed.

How To Chess Club File was posted.

ST. Louis Camp for state affiliates with developing programs. Ongoing until resolved.

New Events for ICA Circuit - Subcommittee. Joe Chair will work with Steve and Larry to come up with proposals.

Motion by Darren E. New subcommittee for new ICA Tournament Circuit development to be chaired by Joseph Guth and assisted by Larry Cohen and Steve Plotnick and in so doing any

previous subcommittee existing for this purpose is hereby dissolved in favor of the new subcommittee.

Seconded by Steve.

Motion Passed.

Motion made by Josh Flores - Budget of \$1500 be divided equally between all National representatives being determined by the Junior Invitation in May.

Steve seconded.

Motion passed.

Wording will be done explaining how the stipends are to be allocated by Steve Plotnick.

Board went into Executive Session - recording stopped.

Regular session resumed - recording restarted.

Larry motioned

ICA will be cleaning up our affiliate, coaches, TD, pages to remove non-members.

Steve Seconded

Motion passed.

US Chess is asking for Sexual Misconduct Liability insurance for National Events bidders, should ICA follow suit?

Discussion occurred - Research to be done - Steve and Darren. Issue is ongoing.

Chess.com Liaison offers to work with us.

Motion made by Steve to not work with Chess.com at this moment.

Seconded by Joe.

Motion passed.

Waukegan Chess at Angel Boxing Academy. New program for young players being done by Hector Guifarro. Possible tournaments.

McDonald's Stipend for Commercial. Will be discussed next month.

Steve asked if Glenn submitted a check to ICA. Amount was 1700. Steve says it should be more and will follow up with Glenn.

Calendar conflict is still ongoing. Steve led discussion on how to resolve it

Motion made by Steve for ICA to form a committee to deal with the Calendar Conflict and Compliance.

Joe seconded

Discussion - objection brought up by Josh that the ICA isn't responsible for settling the conflict.

Josh proposed having ICA itself run the tournaments at issue so there is no conflict with the organizers.

Larry Cohen agreed to be placed on the committee before having to leave.

Discussion continued.

Vote taken

Motion passed.

Committee members to be determined.

Bids need to be put up.

Josh will speak to Murrel about the Bid Committee.

No Zoom upgrade - too costly

Officer's reports

President - all already covered.

Metro - nothing new.

Non-Metro - not present.

Secretary - nothing to report

Treasurer Report - recapped the highlights of his written report.

Committee reports -

WJS - all is going as planned

Membership - nothing

New Events - still working.

Broughton Committee to discuss.

Email Motion to adjourn made by Steve.

Seconded by Joe

Motion passed