

Illinois Chess Association  
Board Meeting Phone Conference  
March 10 , 2011  
7:30 p.m.

Present: Mike Cardinale, Carl Dolson, Chris Merli, Jerry Neugarten, David Long, Garrett Scott, Tom Sprandel, Pattie Zinski

Absent: Bill Barton, Bill Brock, Andrea Rosen, Maret Thorpe

A quorum was established at roughly 8:00 pm.

The February 24, 2011 minutes circulated by Maret Thorpe, were unanimously approved.

We agreed to nominate Mike Zacate for the USCF's lifetime achievement award. Chris Merli will draft the letter and circulate it to the board for review.

Carl Dolson reported that, as of March 1<sup>st</sup> we have directors and officers liability insurance and general liability insurance. The annual cost is \$956.

Mike Cardinale is continuing to investigate the feasibility of an Illinois Tour. He reports that he is nearly ready to call an introductory meeting of those interested.

Jerry Neugarten reported that the K-8 State Championship was enjoyable and very well run. Several others made similar comments. Congratulations to BNASC for another well-run event.

Garrett Scott reported that the Bid Committee is working out some final details of Peoria's 2011 All Grade bid. The proposal will be circulated to the board for approval at the next meeting.

We had a short discussion about the format of the IL Class Championship. Previously it had been a two day format with longer time controls. In recent years it has been a one day event. Tom Sprandel will start an email discussion.

We discussed the need for a Broughton Fund nominating committee. No action was taken.

Next meeting will be March 24, 2011.

Submitted by,  
Tom Sprandel