

Scarborough Chess Club
2019 Annual General Meeting Minutes
Thursday, September 5, 2019
7:30pm to 9:30pm
Birkdale Community Centre
1299 Ellesmere Road
Scarborough, Ontario, Canada

1) Roll Call

members

Ryan Tuchow
Carl Veacock
Jim Paterson
Sam Sharpe
Jonathan Hay
Maurice Smith
Sean Lei
Boyuan Kong (Bo)
Guy Hulbert

regrets

Omar Shah
Joseph Tavana

prospective members

Sam Grabski
Anyia Singh (family)

2) Call to Order

Maurice called the meeting to order at 7:30 and called for approval of the minutes from last year. Motion to approve by Jim/Sam accepted unanimously.

3) President's Report

Omar Shah submitted his report by email to Maurice Smith who read it. Please see appendix A for the President's Report.

4) Vice President's Report

Maurice read his report. Please see appendix B for the Vice President's report.

5) Treasurer's Report

Sean provided an income statement. Please see appendix C for the income statement. He verbally reported good and bad news.

Good News

- made money (less than previous year)
- memberships increased
- many expenses are one time
- cheque order is good for three years
- not too many refunds

Bad News

- rent is up

Questions

1. Carl

Q. Is income statement bank balance.

Answer: Mostly - some cash.

Q. Can club take donations? Yes. Phil Haley's wife sponsored the most improved player's award two years ago.

2. Ryan.

Q. When are dues payable?

Answer: Two weeks in advance. Usually notice is given 4 weeks in advance.

3. Carl.

Q. What is the payable date based on?

Answer: Original date of membership.

4. Sam.

Q. Do we get a discount from CFC (A. yes)

and are FIDE costs broken out (A. no).

5. Carl.

Q. What is the CFC breakdown?

A. Of \$48 paid, \$41.93 goes to CFC and club keeps the rest.

Motion: GIC (Omar{proxy}).

Propose that the club invest some of excess cash in 5-year GIC. Perhaps \$10,000.

1. Carl V. Notes that money laundering rules at banks might complicate this.

Motion to Approve (Carl/Sean). Unanimous approval.

6) Secretary's Report (Vacant)

No report.

7) Officer at Large Report (Bo)

No report. Bo does pairing and will run to continue.

8) Tournament Director's Report (Omar)

Maurice for Omar. Club championship was not FIDE rated because one player had a FIDE rating too high for the time control.

9) Facebook Admin Report (Omar)

No report.

10) Other Business 2018/2019

- Carl V: do we post results on Facebook (yes).
- Sam Sharpe - question about phones - must be switched off.
- No pairing changes after 7:25
- Carl: Children running with pencils is a hazard.
- Sean: Parents should be alerted to this; also about noise.

11) Elections

Carl nominated Omar for President - acclaimed.

Jim nominated Maurice for Vice President - acclaimed.

Bo nominated Sean for Treasurer - acclaimed.

Sean nominated Guy for Secretary - acclaimed.

Carl nominated Bo for Officer at Large - acclaimed.

Jim nominated Sean for Tournament Director - acclaimed.

12) Motions

Playing up fee should be set to \$20 (Omar{proxy}/Sean)

Omar: Either there should be either no playing up or a fee for it.

Sean: Made several points

1. Finances are good
2. With no charge pairings are seriously disrupted.
3. Delays start of play

Alternate motions.

Bo fee of \$10.

Jim fee of \$5.

Guy pointed out that the motion was for \$20.

Vote on alternate motions: FAIL

Vote on original motion: (8 for, 1 against)

Original motion passes.

13) Other Business 2019/2020

Joseph Tavana sent an email to Maurice because he could not attend the meeting. Wants the club to run through the summer? He would also like there to be a youth club with no adults. He suggests a \$10K budget for additional expenses.

Four other ideas, which Maurice rejects.

4. Fixed cost of \$5 for non-members. (No: No demand).
3. Club Championship open to all @ \$15. (No).
2. Change club championship to 7 rounds and have a blitz tournament on 8th evening.
1. A suggestion about the AGM was ruled out-of-order by the chair.

Carl: thank Joseph for suggestions.

60th Anniversary Celebration.

We have the community centre for an extra day this year due to the way the calendar falls. Maurice would like to use the extra day (Dec 19, 2019) to hold a 60th Anniversary Celebration.

This was agreed and planning left to Omar and Maurice.

14) Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned well after 9:30pm.

Appendix A President's Report.

Greatings SCC Executives & Members,

The past year at SCC we witnessed the 1800+ section be FIDE rated throughout the year. Having the top section FIDE-rated was dream of mine when I joined the club and I am delighted that it has finally transpired. A new section of U1000 for Juniors only was introduced as well. I hope to see both sections grow as time goes on.

The club purchased 40 DGT Clocks from the CFC via CMA from FIDE/DGT at a heavily discounted price. We added 10 DGT 3000 clocks, top of line brand, and 30 DGT North American. All boards in play at our club use a digital clock and the analog ones have been phased out. Although the club paid well over \$1000 for these clocks, I believe the investment to be well worth it for the long run.

This year we saw the departure of our long time fellow Executive and Treasurer Ken Kurkowski. I would like to than Ken for all his years of service and wish him the best of health in the future. I have already started to miss his presence and hope he will return as a player one day.

I would also like to thank all my fellow Executives and volunteers for their hard work and dedication to the Club. Without them the club simply wouldn't function.

Lastly, I look forward to growing the club by bringing in new members. The social media part of the club needs to be worked on and I'll look into recruiting some members to help out.

If nominated I would run again as President of the Club.

Best regards.

Omar Shah

Sep 4th, 2019

Appendix B Vice-President's Report.

I was kept busy this past year looking after the administration of the Club.

Much time was spent contacting members about their Club and CFC due dates for their membership fees. I would say that 95% of the members do not pay until they are notified. Sometimes they have to be contacted more than once.

I send in all CFC dues and all rating fees to the C.F.C. with an email detailing all the required information. I also send in all the information on new members.

I work with the City applying for the permit and filling out all their forms. I have established a good working reation ship with the Birkdale Community Centre Supervisor.

I purchase all the trophies that we give out as prizes. Also I keep a catalogue of books that we also use as prizes. I notify all the prize winners.

This past year it was busier than usual for me because our President was away due to ill health for several weeks.

I have been in the Club since 1976 and in chess administrations since 1988. I would like to retire but at the moment I do not see anyone volunteering to take over all the responsibilities. Therefore I will stand again as Vice President if nominated.

Maurice Smith

Appendix C Treasurer's Report.

Scarborough Chess Club Income Statement For the Year Ended 2018-2019.

| | 2018-2019 | 2017-2018 |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Opening Balance | 20,808.28 | 16,608.52 |
| Revenues | | |
| Club Memberships | 14,600.00 | 13,620.00 |
| CFC Dues Collected* | 3,856.00 | 3,696.00 |
| Moving Up Revenues** | 555.00 | - |
| Book and Equipment Sales | - | 63.00 |
| Donations | - | 1,000.00 |
| Arbiter Fee Collection | 40.00 | - |
| Total Revenues | 19,051.00 | 18,379.00 |
| Expenses | | |
| Rent | 11,445.04 | 10,910.04 |
| CFC Fees | 4,957.95 | 4,711.88 |
| Trophies / Prizes | 100.46 | 303.96 |
| Chess Equipment | 1,380.00 | 975.00 |
| Miscellaneous | | |
| Expenses / Stationary | 82.16 | 580.00 |
| Cheque Order Charges | 169.82 | - |
| Refunds | 60.00 | - |
| Arbiter Fee | 40.00 | - |
| Total Expenses | 18,235.43 | 17,480.88 |
| Net Income | 815.57 | 898.12 |
| CLOSING BALANCE | 21,623.85 | 20,808.28 |

* 74 CFC Juniors and 30 Adults

** Spanned from September - January