Scarborough Chess Club

2022 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 29, 2022

7:30pm to 9:30pm

Birkdale Community Centre

1299 Ellesmere Road

Scarborough, Ontario, Canada

1) Roll Call

members

Omar Shah

Maurice Smith

Jonathan Hay

Guy Hulbert

M. Hassan Pishdad

Sam Sharpe

Jim Mourgelas

prospective members

Ted Speevak

2) Call to Order

Maurice welcomed attendees to the 63rd year of operation of the club and the 62nd annual general meeting.

Comments

No motions to accept will be required except for the treasurer's report.

Approval 2019 Minutes

Motion to accept: Sam Sharpe

Accepted with one change: add M. Hassan Pishdad

3) President's Report

Omar Shah read his report. Please see appendix A for the President's Report.

Comment

Omar said he will be playing this year.

4) Vice President's Report

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

Questions

Sam: how many hours (2-4 per week)

Sam: how many years

5) Treasurer's Report

Jonathan Hay presented the treasurer's report. Please see appendix C for the fiscal statement and notes.

- Revenues down because fewer members. But do have positive net income.
- GIC due Feb 14 2025 currently rate is very low.
- Jonathan and Maurice will figure it out.

Comments

There were several remarks about the structure of the report and some details clarified.

- Ted: is there no laddering (GIC)
- Ted: GICis an asset
- Jim: rate at time was good?
- Sam: yes
- Ted: is there a seniors discount for membership (yes)
- Ted: are the accounts kept on an accrual or cash basis? (cash)
- Sam: move to strike GIC expense from statement 2019/20 (as an expense) and amend accounts accepted unanimously

6) Secretary's Report (Guy)

Verbal report: I am also doing pairings and trying to integrate the pairings with the membership list.

7) Officer at Large Report (None)

8) Tournament Director's Report (Omar)

No report. Omar will continue as Tournament Director.

9) Facebook Admin Report (Omar)

No report.

10) Other Business 2021/2022

11) Elections

Guy nominated Omar for President - acclaimed

Sam nominated Maurice for Vice-President - acclaimed

Jim nominated Jonathan for Treasurer - acclaimed

Hassan nominated Guy for Secretary - acclaimed

Omar nominated Sam for Officer at Large - acclaimed

Ted nominated Omar for Tournament Director - acclaimed

The position of Facebook Administrator was filled. Omar said he would enquire among members of the club to see there wass any interest.

12) Motions

13) Other Business 2022/2023

Clocks upgraded each year.

Playing Dec 22 and Jan 5

Flyer (Omar)

14) Adjournment

Ted introduced a motion to adjourn.

Appendix A President's Report.

On March 2020 SCC closed down for 2 weeks due to the Corona Virus. Little did we know at the time that we would be closed for two years. We resumed operations on March 2022.

My impression on resuming club operations was that the juniors will return in droves and adults will stay away, but the opposite happened! Adults flocked in, while juniors stayed away. Over the course of the few weeks we were open the number of juniors that were attending start to rise. At its peak we had close to 75 members attending a night.

My main tasks at SCC were to work in conjunction with our Vice President Maurice Smith. On of our tasks were on when to re-open the club and inform members of the timing. When we resumed we kept the section to only 2: U1700 and 1700+. The reason for doing this was to even out the numbers and allow enough members in the top section. At the moment we have paused the top section from being FIDE rated and will remain on pause until the numbers are back to 20 members or more for that section.

If nominated I shall run for SCC President again. I look forward to working with my fellow executives in rebuilding our active member base to 100 attending a night. We project this to happen by March 2023.

I would like to thank all the fellow executives at SCC for their hard work and dedication. Also the volunteers who help in setting up and putting away all the equipment at the club. A special thanks to Hassan Pishdad.

Best Regards,

Appendix B Vice-President's Report

I was kept quite 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 of 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 relation 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 use as prizes. I notify all the prize winners.

I answer most of the e-mails we get from people inquiring about the Club. Two of the main pieces of information I give is that all members must be able to play with a chess clock and write down their moves.

I am looking to retire from this position but will stand for the nomination one more year with the hope that a new volunteer will take over the following year.

Maurice Smith

Vice President

Scarborough Chess Club

Appendix C Treasurer's Report

SCARBOROUGH CHESS CLUB FINANCIAL STATEMENT

OPENING BALANCE	\$15,346.18	\$22,177.10
Revenues		
Club Memberships	\$4,091.00	\$11,590.00
CFC Dues Collected	\$1,644.00	\$2,672.00
Moving Up Revenues	•	\$140.00
Book and Equipment Revenue	\$155.00	\$20.00
Donations	\$75.00	•
Arbiter Fee Collection	•	•
Total Revenues	\$5,965.00	\$14,422.00
Expenses		
Rent	\$3,342.87	\$7,105.61

CFC Fees (see Treasurer's Notes below)	•	\$3,138.69
Trophies/Prizes	\$59.00	\$73.28
Chess Equipment	\$270.00	•
Miscellaneous Expenses / Stationery	\$115.96	\$66.99
Cheque Order Charges	•	•
Refunds	•	•
Arbiter Fee	•	•
Website Charge	\$926.60	\$327.02
GIC	•	\$10,000.00
Total Expenses	\$4,715.26	\$20,711.59
Net Income	\$1,249.75	\$6,289.59
CLOSING BALANCE	\$16,595.92	\$15,346.18

Adjustments to Closing Balance:

Closing balance in bank account August 31	\$16,595.92
Less: outstanding CFC cheques	-\$1,396.58
	\$15,199.34
Less: approximate rating fees	-\$500.00
Final approximate bank balance	\$14,699.34

Treasurer's Notes

Club investments as at June 30, 2022	GIC due 2025, 2%	\$10,000.00
Uncashed CFC dues cheques	May 21, 2020 April 22,	\$153.62
	2022 May 26, 2022 June 6,	\$432.94
	2022 July 8, 2022	\$363.11
		\$363.11
		\$83.80
		\$1,396.58

Note from Maurice: there will be rating fees of close to \$500 for us to pay.