

**Scarborough Chess Club**

2015 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 3, 2015

7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Birkdale Community Centre

1299 Ellesmere Road

Scarborough, Ontario, Canada

**1) Call to order**

Club President Maurice Smith called to order the Annual General Meeting of the Scarborough Chess Club at 7:30 p.m. On September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 at Birkdale Community Centre. Maurice welcomed all in the room and thanked them for their attendance at the AGM.

**2) Roll call**

Mario Moran-Venegas

Jim Patterson

Sean Lei

Warren McKelvie

David McKay

Pino Verde

Ken Kurkowski

Omar Shah

Hassan Pishdad

Hamid Azizi

Maurice Smith

**3) Approval of minutes from last meeting.**

The 2014 AGM minutes were approved as presented.

**4) President's Report**

Maurice Smith reported on highlights of the 2014 -2015 club activities.

Maurice circulated the President's Report (see Appendix A)

**5) Vice President's Report**

Omar Shah, SSC Vice President 2014-2015 provided a verbal report.

Organized the Clubs equipment, adding small changes to run the club better ie: small metallic tent numbers for boards. Also attractive bags for pieces. Also, cracking down on members who forfeit games.

**6) Secretary's Report**

No Secretary's Report

**7) Treasurer's Report**

Ken Kurkowski submitted a financial report for 2014-2015 (see appendix B) the report showed an increase of approximately \$2000.00. However, the Treasurer said that it is good to have a cushion because of unknown rent increases. The financial report was accepted by the members in an unanimous vote.

- 8) **Officer-at-large report**  
No Officer-at-Large report
- 9) **SCC Facebook page report**  
Ken Kurkowski mentioned that important SCC news was put on Facebook. He also mentioned that it would be helpful if members gave him ideas for the Facebook page.
- 10) **Motion**  
Moran Venegas-Shah – Constitutional – Motion  
The position of Tournament Director be added to the Executive. The motion was passed unanimously.
- 11) **Elections of the 2015 – 2016 Executive Members**
  - a) Election of President  
Omar Shah was acclaimed as President
  - b) Election of Vice President  
Maurice Smith was acclaimed as Vice President
  - c) Election of Treasurer  
Ken Kurkowski was claimed as Treasurer's
  - d) Election of Secretary  
Mario Moran-Venegas was acclaimed as Secretary
  - e) Election of Officer-at-Large  
Sean Lei was acclaimed as Officer-at-Large
- 12) **Appointment of Facebook Page content administrator**  
Ken Kurkowski will continue as the Content Administrator for the Facebook page. Steve Karpik will continue to maintain the SCC Website and offer technical support to Ken for the Clubs Facebook page as required.
- 13) **Motion**  
Shah/Lei – Club Championship  
The Championship will be in two sections, 1800 plus and under 1800 with no accelerated pairings. The winner of the under 1800 will play in the 1800 plus the next year. The motion passed unanimously.
- 14) **Adjournment**  
The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:30 p.m.

The next AGM is scheduled for the first Thursday in September 2016 (Thursday, September 1st, 2016)

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It was another good year for the Scarborough Chess Club. We had over 100 members for all our tournaments and 126 for the Club Championship. That is likely a record for that tournament.

Our financial outlook again looks solid. The closing balance was almost \$2000. higher than last year. We cannot afford to be too complacent though because the rent of the facility continues to increase. To offset this, we must continue to bring in new members and try to retain our present members.

The Club was born in 1960. Therefore, we will be going into our 56<sup>th</sup> year of operation. We have come a long way since our founders played chess in their back yards. The success of the Club can mainly be attributed to the volunteer members of the Club throughout all these years. They have fostered a remarkable friendly, family atmosphere, though still keeping events competitive.

The volunteerism has lived on with our present members, with those who come to mind being Bob Armstrong, Pino Verde, Hassan Pishdad and Sean Lei. Our Executives Omar Shah, Mario Moran-Venegas, Ken Kurkowski, Hamid Azizi and myself have put in many hours throughout the year working for the members. Without the efforts of the members mentioned there would be no Scarborough Chess Club.

After ten years as President, I have decided not to run again for that position. However, I will allow myself to be nominated for Vice President to allow for a smooth continuation in our Executive. I wish all the members an enjoyable chess year at the Club, and remember it is the members who make the Scarborough Chess Club the best Chess Club of Canada.

Maurice Smith  
President Scarborough Club

**Scarborough Chess Club 2014-2015 Financial Report**

	<b>2014-2015</b>	<b>2013-2014</b>
<b>OPENING BALANCE</b>	<b>13,597.61</b>	<b>14,422.06</b>
<b>Revenues</b>		
Club Memberships	16,104.00	11,380.00
CFC Dues Collected	3,486.00	2,796.00
Coffee & Concession	0.00	0.00
Book & Equipment Sales/Rentals	113.00	20.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>19,703.00</b>	<b>14,196.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Rent	10,700.76	8,302.06
CFC Rating Fees	2,369.61	2,522.16
CFC Dues Remitted	3,486.00	2,856.00
Website Hosting/Domain Name	270.52	586.12
Coffee Supplies/refreshments	74.84	
Trophies	148.46	134.33
Chess Equipment	384.93	516.49
Miscellaneous Supplies	344.46	98.29
Bank/Misc Charges	0.00	5.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>17,779.58</b>	<b>15,020.45</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>1,923.42</b>	<b>-824.45</b>
<b>CLOSING BALANCE</b>	<b>15,521.03</b>	<b>13,597.61</b>

2013-2014: Includes \$60 CFC dues paid by SCC for 2 CYCC winners from SCC