



## Annual General Meeting 2019 Minutes November 9, 2019

Recorded By: Preeti

Item	Notes
<b>(1) Call to Order</b>	10:05 AM
<b>2) Member Roll Call</b>	Present: Chris, Farhana, Preeti, Frank, Faris, Sunil, Brandon, Celeste, Greg and Tammy. Roger(Joined at 11:00)  <u>Regrets: Jeremy</u>
<b>3) Review and Approval of agenda</b>	<u>Yes</u>
<b>(4) Approval of Past Minutes</b>	Stay Approved  Motion- Chris Seconded by- Farhana, Frank
<b>(5) President's Report/Round Table: Chris</b>	Chris read the report. Approved with slight formatting amendments. Seconded by Farhana.  Action items: Ready for high turnout in Dec 2019 due to Eastlink publicity. Do a vote to see public interest in having a summer tournament. Train more volunteers for future opportunities.-Preeti to take care Do a poll for new players using stickers to find out why they came to that location(location/fee/chess/etc) Create and implement marketing strategies to make chess popular in NS, like handout chess business cards with Halloween candies/ during Nationals. To see if Jan tournament can be moved mid months so it can get more promotion.  Investigate if we need more ribbons for Maritime. Diversify volunteers- Rotation of volunteers.

<b>(6) Financial Statement: By Tammy(Her last statement: She retired today:)</b>	Motion by Chris; Seconded by Farhana/Frank; Tammy-signed; Passed.
<b>(7) Election of Board of Directors</b>	<p>Motion by Farhana; Seconded by Greg; Passed(2019-2021)</p> <p>Executive Directors:  President: Chris Felix  Vice President: Farhana Kanth  Secretary &amp; Volunteer Coordinator: Preeti Kapadia  Treasurer: Celeste Lefebvre  Audit(Assets): sunil Mittal</p> <p>Directors:  Chess Fest: Faris Kapra  TD and Grand Prix: Frank King  TD Regular tournaments: Brandon Macdonald  Advisory: Roger Langden</p>
<b>(8) Other Items</b>	<p>*Bid for 2021CCC – Motion by Farhana; Seconded by Sunil; YES TO BID Approved</p> <p>*2020 fundraising for celebrity players- YES Keep a jar; Motion -Farhana; Seconded by Chris/Sunil</p> <p>Liability Insurance -Motion to research options by Farhana; seconded -Chris; YES search it. (Sunil to look into it)</p>
<b>Adjournment</b>	By Chris at 12:55 PM

Action items:

- 1-Frank to look for sports plex-Dartmouth for future events.
- 2-Maritime tournament event poster should have a statement saying all kids are welcome even if they do not want to go for Maritime.
- 3- Investigate if we need ribbon / medals to be awarded for Maritimes?
- 4-Sunil to look for liability insurance options and pricing.
- 5- Plan for fundraising for Nationals in advance.

- 6-Fundraising ideas- Superstores/lottery/raffle- Celeste to explore more.
- 7-Brandon to create a document for 2020 Nationals.
- 8-Fundraising ideas- raffle/bottle drive/ individual efforts like play music etc.
- 9-Negotiate with Airlines to give group rates for National team – Sunil to explore more.
- 10- Update our current website with latest information- Need a person to do it?
- 11-Faris to set the brochures for handing out to kids.
- 12-Volunteer scorer should hand out the awards during regular tournaments.
- 13- rotate the role of TD/Computer personal/Announcement personal to train people.
- 14-Jan 2020 to be run by Frank/Brandon
- 15-Should we flip School team and provincials to increase the participation? Think /discuss/ decide
- 16-Jerjis’s youtube channel should be on our website 😊
- 17-Interview top players and provide on our website.
- 18-Sunil to create Inventory /assets calculation.
- 19-Stay with cheque system instead of online banking due to security concerns.
- 20-keep record of tournament money / bake sale money for future reference.
- 21-Change the bylaws date to fiscal year Sep 1 – Aug 31- Farhana to take care.
- 22-Fundraising at atleast one tournament in the year for the growth of chess.
- 23- for CCC Bid  
Sunil(Airlines/Hotel) and Chris(Hotel) to look for discounted hotel rates and Airlines.  
Ask Mount if they want to help in any ways.