



Alberta Chess Association
2017 Annual General Meeting
October 8, 2017
Chateau Lacombe, Edmonton

President Vlad Rekhson calls the meeting to order at 3:35 PM on October 8, 2017. In attendance: Vlad Rekhson, Jordan Rohatynski, Ian Findlay, Leah Hughey, Dale Haessel, Terry Seehagen, Jim Daniluk, Peter Kalisvaart, Junel Samalio, and Daryl Bertrand. Leah passes around the agenda, balance sheet, 2016 operating statement, and 2016 AGM minutes.

Vlad calls for the reading of the minutes from the last AGM. Jim moves to accept the minutes. Jordan seconds. Unanimous.

Vlad details the events that have happened over the last year. He begins with the hiring of the new executive director and details the process. 17 people applied for the position. He then moves on to the fact that Alberta's bid to host the 2018 Canadian Seniors Tournament was successful. This tournament will take place in Calgary in August of 2018. He again emphasizes the need for volunteers and mentions the increase in TD fee approved at the last AGM, as well as the TD workshops that are available.

Jina Burn joins over Skype at 3:45 PM.

Vlad then goes into detail regarding the ACA Balance Sheet and the 2016 Operating Statement. Vlad and Leah answer questions from Jim and Ian regarding details of the financials, particularly sponsorship and leftover casino funds. The 2016 Operating Statement is approved.

Leah gives an address as ED. She mentions being hired earlier in the year and details the current workload and any delays.

Vlad mentions that the date for the 2018 Alberta Youth Chess Championship (AYCC) needs to be set in order to secure a hotel arrangement in time. Jim motions that the AYCC be set for February 24-25. Terry seconds. 1 abstention with the rest in favor.

Ian raises questions regarding the set entry fees and suggests allowing tournaments to charge higher entries. Daryl suggests the possibility of having a cheaper, non-prize option. There is a discussion regarding entry fee policies; any decision is postponed until the next board meeting.

Peter asks about the possibility of holding another Canadian Open. Vlad describes the process of bidding on one and the problems faced - the lack of organizers available for the tournament as well as potential funding issues. Daryl asks about the process to become a tournament director. There is a discussion about tournament directors and encouraging new directors.

Vlad lists the positions up for election and details the duties involved. Up for election are the President, Treasurer, and 4 two-year directorships.

Vlad reiterates that he would prefer not to continue as President, but is he willing to continue if no one else will run. He asks for nominations. No one is willing to run. Ian nominates Vlad; Dale seconds. Vlad accepts, but indicates he would like to be replaced at the next AGM, scheduled for October 2018 in Calgary. Vlad is elected by acclamation.

Treasurer is next. Ali Razzaq, the current treasurer, indicated ahead of time that he was willing to run again. Ian nominates Ali; Dales seconds. There are no more nominations. Ali is elected by acclamation.

Trevor Robertson joins the meeting.

Vlad asks for nominations for the 4 two-year directorships. One spot is currently vacant. The others are held by Dale Haessel, Robert Brazeau, and Tristran Tran-Ly. Neither Robert nor Tristan indicated interest in running again to Vlad or Leah. Ian nominates Dale; Dale accepts. Vlad seconds the nomination. Vlad nominates Daryl. Peter seconds, accepted. Daryl nominates Jordan. Vlad seconds. Accepted. Jordan nominates Wojtek, who agreed to run ahead of time. Dale seconds. There are no more nominations. Dale, Daryl, Jordan, and Wojtek are elected by acclamation.

Jim moves to adjourn. Ian seconds. Unanimous. The meeting is adjourned at 4:30 PM.

ACA Balance Sheet		
Assets as of December 31, 2016		
Cash - Operating Account		\$117,622.56
Cash - Casino Account		\$64,127.34
	Total	\$181,749.90
Liabilities as of December 31, 2016		\$0.00
Assets as of August 31, 2017		
Cash - Operating Account		\$138,888.62
Cash - Casino Account		\$99,841.88
	Total	\$238,730.50
Liabilities as of August 31, 2017		\$0.00