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Minutes

The Budget Meeting took place on December 3rd, 2023, via Zoom. Starting time 2:00 p.m.

- (1) Attendance – Present were Lars Lowther (President), Michael Ludwig (Secretary), Dale Haessel (Treasurer), Jim Daniluk (Vice President), David Ludwig, Terry Seehagen, Sam Hoekman, Sean Wu, Lili Ou, Terry Seehagen, Nicholas Zacharias.
- (2) Planning Meeting Minutes – It was moved by David, seconded by Dale, that the Planning Meeting minutes be accepted. Passed unanimously.
- (3) President's Address – Lars explained the purpose of the Budget Meeting, which involves setting the ACA's expenditures.
- (4) Tournament Proposals

The Board went through the calendar and proposals for tournaments.

- i) Banff Open – \$1848 to pay for the venue; up to \$500 expense money for each of the chief TD and assistant TD; \$450 for the standard TD honorarium (\$225 each, for three days); \$250 for scoresheets – \$3548 total, a slight increase from last year. It was moved by Michael, seconded by Dale, that the Banff Open proposal be accepted. Passed 6 in favour, 3 abstentions.
- ii) Trumpeter Open – The request is \$1460 for hotel rental, plus \$500 prize support. The Board is in agreement that \$1460 is too much for a small event. It was moved by David, seconded by Terry, to provide a \$500 prize fund contribution and to request the organizer seek a venue for closer to \$500. Passed unanimously.

It was moved by Michael, seconded by Sam, to implement a policy of paying for one base TD for junior events, and one additional TD for every additional 30 players, up to a maximum of 5 TDs. Passed 8 in favour, 1 abstention.

(5) Other Budget Items

a) Paying for food at the Battle of Alberta was discussed. It was decided that the Edmonton and Calgary Chess Clubs can share the cost, as they previously have.

b) There was some discussion on travel grants, and what the ACA can provide them for. Lars suggested that further discussions could be had by email, as several board members had to leave the meeting.

(6) Budget Approval – The total 2024 expenditures are projected at approximately \$50,000. It was moved by Jim, seconded by Lili, that the 2024 Budget be accepted. The motion passed unanimously.

(7) Adjournment – It was moved by David, seconded by Jim, that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed six in favour, one abstention.

At 4:58 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.