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# COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Held at The Aboriginal Centre for Performing Arts, 59-69 Shafston Avenue, Kangaroo Point at 11am on Sunday, September 14, 2014

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 11:15am.

Present: Mark Stokes (chairman), Jim Rogers, Gail Young, Sam Long, Tyson Walker, Matt

Gilpin, Andrew Fitzpatrick, Alex Jule

Apologies: Michael D'Arcy, Allan Menham, Andrew Davies

#### ITEM 1 – ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

That the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted Moved by Mark Stokes, seconded by Sam Long Passed unanimously

#### ITEM 2 - BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

There was no new business arising from the previous meeting.

#### **ITEM 3 - REPORTS**

#### 3.1 Treasurer's report

The Treasurer's report showed the CAQ has about \$55,000 in the bank and no liabilities. Currently, the financial year so far is showing a loss of approximately \$6,500. The expected end of financial year loss is about \$3,000.

That the treasurer's report be accepted Moved by Jim Rogers, seconded by Gail Young Passed unanimously

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#### 3.2 Membership report

The membership report shows the CAQ currently has 393 members. This is expected to pass 400 before the end of the financial year. The CAQ has a new affiliated club, the Park Road Chess Club.

That the membership secretary's report be accepted Moved by Gail Young, seconded by Jim Rogers Passed unanimously

#### ITEM 4 - CORRESPONDENCE

There was no new correspondence

#### ITEM 5 - RATIFICATION OF EMAIL DECISIONS

#### 5.1 CAQ defined region for eligibility of Queensland chess titles

That the CAQ define the term 'Queensland resident' in the CAQ INC TOURNAMENT BY-LAWS to be interpreted to mean any player who resides within the state of Queensland as well as any player who resides in northern New South Wales within a distance of 100km from the Queensland-New South Wales border.

Moved by Gail Young, seconded by Andrew Fitzpatrick Passed unanimously

#### 5.2 Request to play in Queensland Championship by player rated under 1700

That the CAQ accept the requests from Brock McIntyre, Harry Hughes, and Ali Esmaili to play in the Qld Championships.

Moved by Mark Stokes, seconded by Sam Long Passed unanimously

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#### ITEM 6 - SPECIAL BUSINESS

#### 6.1 Date for the CAQ AGM

That the CAQ determines a date for the AGM to be held later in the year. Mark Stokes suggests either the Saturday or Sunday of the weekend of 13/14 December 2014.

Nominations for positions must be received by the secretary at least 28 days before the meeting, and the person seeking a position must be nominated by at least two other members (refer section 14.3 of CAQ Constitution).

The council has agreed to have the CAQ AGM at the Aboriginal Centre for Performing Arts (59-69 Shafston Avenue, Kangaroo Point, Brisbane), on the 13<sup>th</sup> December 2014, at 3pm.

Moved by Mark Stokes, seconded by Sam Long Passed unanimously

#### 6.2 Option for three year memberships

That CAQ consider allowing members to pay for three years membership in one payment. The cost would be \$50 for individual members, and \$90 for families (current cost is \$20 per person per year and \$40 per family per year).

Moved by Gail Young, seconded by Mark Stokes Passed unanimously

#### 6.3 Change of Queensland Grand Prix points for events in different regions

That the CAQ revises the Grand Prix points allocated to events based on area. This revision would be to increase the points given to tournaments in certain areas to encourage more players to attend the region's tournaments.

Moved by Gail Young

No vote as more information required. To be discussed at a future meeting.



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#### 6.4 Increase in prize money for Queensland Championships

That the CAQ increase the prize money for the Queensland Championships by 10%, and include a prize for the best scoring player from the bottom half of the ratings list.

The council agreed to increase the first prize by \$250 (to \$1,250) and to create a \$150 prize for the best scoring player from the bottom half of the ratings list.

Moved by Andrew Fitzpatrick, seconded by Mark Stokes Passed unanimously

#### 6.5 2015 Calendar of Events

That the CAQ obtain the details of the various events to be run in 2015, and compile them into a calendar to be made available on the website.

New draft calendar was presented at the meeting. To be finalised shortly and added to the CAQ website.

Moved by Mark Stokes No vote required

#### 6.6 School subsidy for Qld inter-schools finals

The CAQ has agreed to provide a \$500 subsidy for a rural school's chess team to attend the inter-schools finals.

Moved by Andrew Fitzpatrick, seconded by Alex Jule Passed unanimously

#### **ITEM 7 - GENERAL BUSINESS**

## 7.1 Update on the organisation and player numbers for Qld Championships and Qld Reserves

Update from council members of the progress of the event.

Limited number of entrants so far. CAQ hopes to attract more players in the next two weeks.

#### 7.2 Queensland Women's and Girls' Championships

Update on the progress in organising the event.

The date and venue have been organised. Alex Jule to arbiter the event. Expected arbiter fee is \$150 per day.

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#### 7.3 FIDE arbiters seminar

Update on the proposed FIDE arbiters seminar approved at December 2013 and February 2014 meetings.

Expected to be moved to early 2015.

#### **ITEM 8 – NEXT MEETING**

To be held at:

The Aboriginal Centre for Performing Arts, 59-69 Shafston Avenue, Kangaroo Point at 11am on Sunday, November 9, 2014