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COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting held over Zoom, on Tuesday 19 January 2021, at 7:30 PM

Present: Mark C. Stokes (Chairman), Andrew FitzPatrick, David Esmonde, Bryan Moss, Shaun Curtis, Hughston Parle, Martin Carter, Eliot Soo-Burrowes, Michael D'Arcy

Apology: Gail Young

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 7:30pm.

ITEM 1 – CAQ TENDER APPLICATIONS – DECISIONS

It was noted that the following tournaments had only received one application each, so there were no contested positions.

1.1 Queensland Reserves: Gardiner Chess had submitted a bid to run the Queensland Reserves in conjunction with the Gold Coast Tin Cup, as a FIDE rated event.

The committee voted 7-0 to award the 2021 Queensland Reserves to Gardiner Chess (Shaun Curtis and Andrew FitzPatrick abstained).

1.2 Queensland Open: Shaun Curtis had submitted a bid to run the Queensland Open in Cairns.

The committee voted 8-0 for Cairns to host the 2021 Queensland Open (Shaun Curtis abstained).

1.3 Brisbane/Gold Coast Junior Match and Queensland Junior Blitz Championship: Gardiner Chess submitted a joint bid to run both events on the same day towards the end of October.

The committee voted 7-0 for Gardiner Chess to host the 2021 Brisbane/Gold Coast Junior Match and the Queensland Junior Blitz Championship.

1.4 Queensland Junior Championships: Hughston Parle, in partnership with Peter Xing, submitted a bid to host the 2021 Queensland Junior Championships at the Anglican Church Grammar School.

The committee voted 6-0 for the 2021 Queensland Junior Championships to be organised and hosted by Hughston Parle and Peter Xing (Hughston Parle, David Esmonde, and Michael D'Arcy abstained).

Mark Stokes moved, and Bryan Moss seconded, that the minutes from the previous Council meeting be accepted. Passed unanimously.

ITEM 4 – CORRESPONDENCE

It was noted that the ACF would not be endorsing (funding or rating) any online chess events.

ITEM 5 – RATIFICATION OF EMAIL DECISIONS

Nil.

ITEM 6 – GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Required player/arbitrator ratios.

Andrew FitzPatrick moved the following motion:

That the CAQ only endorse events with a suitable arbiter to player ratio to ensure high quality events. There are three distinct categories as follows:

1. Regional Events – that there be a non-playing arbiter unless as an absolute last resort and only with approval by the CAQ Council.

2. South-East QLD Events (ACF rated) – a minimum of 1 non-playing arbiter per 50 players, with a preferred ratio of 1 non-playing arbiter per 40 players.

3. South-East QLD Events (FIDE rated) – a minimum of 1 non-playing arbiter per 40 players, with a preferred ratio of 1 non-playing arbiter per 30 players.

Events that involve multiple rooms must have an arbiter in each separate room.

Discussion centered on the need to sufficiently advertise this policy across the various forums – website, Facebook page, email to clubs/organisers/etc. It was also noted that additional arbiter training would be required to support events and their organisers.

The motion was seconded by Hughston Parle and was passed unanimously.

6.2 Gardiner Chess website.

It was noted that Gardiner Chess has launched their new website.

6.3 Outstanding ASTC arbiter payments.

Hughston Parle noted for the record that arbiters for the ASTC finals would shortly be submitting their invoices.

6.4 CAQ bid for 2021 Australian Schools Teams Championships.

It was noted that Queensland was to have organised the 2020 national finals prior to them being run online.

Hughston Parle, seconded by Shaun Curtis, moved that CAQ would reapply to the ACF for the right to host the 2021 Australian Schools Teams Finals. Passed unanimously.

ITEM 7 – NEXT MEETING

The next Council meeting has been scheduled for 7 March 2021, at 4pm, and will be held over Zoom.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8:31pm.