

2020 WVCA Business Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2020

Welcome

President Robert Greer welcomed all to the first ever virtual WVCA Business Meeting and called the meeting to order.

Secretary-Treasurer Benjamin Good read the meeting minutes from the 2019 WVCA Business Meeting. Craig Timmons moved that the meeting minutes be accepted as read. Sam Timmons seconded the motion and it passed.

Secretary-Treasurer Good read a financial report. David Hundley moved that it be accepted as read. Craig Timmons seconded the motion and it passed.

Old Business

Ben Good explained the refund of the \$1,000 to John Roush. At the time of the 2019 meeting, John Roush had personally provided \$1,500 based on commitments made by others. \$500 of that \$1,500 had been distributed as Grand Prix prize money. The WVCA provided \$1,000 of that back to Mr. Roush, and was prepared to refund the remaining \$500 if Mr. McCallister did not. Mr. McCallister did refund the remaining \$500 at the matter is now considered closed.

Ben Good questioned whether the Clarksburg Open was to be considered in the Grand Prix cycle. It was indeed announced as a Grand Prix event and will be included in the 2019-2020 cycle.

New Business

Discussion was held concerning the State Championship events. The members were in agreement that an online chess event is the best option at this time. The consensus is that lichess.org is preferable to chess.com based on experiences of some members present.

Craig Timmons moved that the WVCA sponsor a 3-round G/30 Swiss System event before Thanksgiving as a test of holding WVCA events online with the goal of gaining an understanding of the process before deciding upon holding a 2020 State Championship online. Ben Good will organize and direct the event and publish instructions on how to join. The estimated date is November 7. Based on the results of the tournament, a message will be sent to the members for feedback and the Board of Directors will decide on holding an official event in December. Bob Greer seconded the motion and it passed.

Ben Good moved that the memberships of all WVCA members who were active on January 1, 2020 be extended by one year free of charge. Bob Greer seconded the motion and it passed.

Bob Greer moved that the 2019-2020 Grand Prix cycle be closed with the exception of a 2020 WV State Championship, should it be contested online later in calendar year 2020. Craig Timmons seconded the motion and it passed.

Election of Officers

President

David Hundley nominated Bob Greer, seconded by John Roush.

Bob Greer nominated Craig Timmons, but the nomination was not seconded.

Craig Timmons moved that the nominations be closed. Sam Timmons seconded the motion and it passed.

There being only one nomination, Bob Greer was declared elected by acclamation.

Vice President

Keith Lilly nominated David Hundley, seconded by Bob Greer.

Craig Timmons moved that the nominations be closed. Sam Timmons seconded the motion and it passed.

There being only one nomination, David Hundley was declared elected by acclamation.

Delegates to the USCF

Ben Good nominated Benu Rellan, seconded by Bob Greer.

Ben Good nominated Lewis Sanders, seconded by Craig Timmons.

Craig Timmons moved that the nominations be closed. Sam Timmons seconded the motion and it passed.

There being only two nominations, Benu Rellan was declared elected as primary delegate and Lewis Sanders as secondary delegate by acclamation.

Bids for 2020 Championship Tournaments

Bob Greer moved that the 2020 bids be accepted as written for the 2021 year due to the inability to hold those events in person. Craig Timmons seconded the motion and it passed. The event bids from 2020 are as follows:

State Championship

Bob Greer offered a yet to be determined date and a site between Clarksburg and Fairmont, with a 2-day 5-round event with a possible round 1 Friday night option.

Action Championship

Benu Rellan and Bob Greer offered Huntington, possibly to be held at Camden Park.

Appointments

No appointments were made or adjusted. Ben Good offered to appoint one of John Roush's cats as a WVCA mascot but it provided a look of disapproval.

Dismissal

Keith Lilly moved that the meeting be adjourned. Lawrence Iorio seconded the motion and it passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Benjamin Good
WVCA Secretary-Treasurer

2020 Financial Report

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**Previous funds available as of September 21,
2019** \$5,140.24

Receipts

Regular Memberships	\$342.08
Junior Memberships	\$63.54
Life Memberships	\$140.00
Donation	\$250.00
<u>Savings Account Interest</u>	<u>\$2.23</u>
Total	\$797.85

Disbursements

2018-2019 Grand Prix Award	\$245.00
Website Expenses	\$34.12
Refund of Donation	\$1,000.00
USCF Affiliate Fee	\$40.00
WV Business License	\$26.00
<u>Secretary-Treasurer Expenses</u>	<u>\$1.65</u>
Total	\$1,346.77

Present Funds Available

United Bank Savings Account	\$4,591.32
<u>PayPal</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total	\$4,591.32

Net Decrease \$548.92