

U.S. Chess Federation Executive Board Meeting - Open Session August 8, 2010 – Irvine, CA

This document is a summary of the proceedings of the meeting. It includes motions made, action items accepted, and subjects discussed. Details of discussions, etc., may be obtained from the sound files online.

President Berry called the meeting to order and asked Vice-President Ruth Haring to introduce items per the agenda she had created after closed session. All Executive Board members were present. Also attending were Mike Nolan, Carl Haessler, Tom Brownscombe, Mike Goodall, John Farrell, Joan Dubois, Joe Nanna, Myron Lieberman, Rachel Lieberman, Sam Sloan, Moyu Su, Dave Kuhns, Guy Hoffman, Sandra Pahl, Tony Pabon, Frank Berry, and Steve Shutt.

Results from the Board election of officers were announced. Newly elected Board member, Mike Nietman, had been selected and agreed to serve as Secretary for a one-year term. The other officers – Jim Berry, President; Ruth Haring, Vice-President; and Randy Bauer, Vice-President of Finance remain the same. Bill Goichberg, Mike Atkins and Gary Walters are Members at Large.

EB11-001 (Board) The Board elects the following officers:

President – Jim Berry

Vice President – Ruth Haring

Vice President for Finance – Randy Bauer

Secretary – Mike Nietman

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EB11-002 – (Board) The Board appoints the following committee liaisons and chairs:

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<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair/Co-chairs</u>	<u>EB Liaison/ Co-liaisons</u>
Audit*	To be selected by committee	Bauer
Awards	John Donaldson	Goichberg
Bylaws*	Harold Winston & Allen Priest	Goichberg & Walters
Chess in Education	F. Leon Wilson	Nietman
Clubs	Bob Rasmussen	Goichberg
College Chess	James Stallings	Nietman
Correspondence Chess	Harold Stenzel	Walters
Cramer Awards	Frank Brady	Berry
Denker Invitational	Dewain Barber & Matt Lodge	Nietman
Election*	Open	Berry
Ethics*	Richard Buchanan	Walters
Finance	Charles Unruh	Bauer
Governance Taskforce	Joe Lux	Goichberg & Walters
Hall of Fame	Harold Winston	Bauer
Hall of Records	Steve Immitt	Goichberg

International Affairs	Michael Khodarkovsky	Haring
LMA Management*	Open	Bauer
Military	T. Colonel Douglas Taffinder	Atkins
Outreach	Myron Lieberman	Haring
PPHB Fund Management	John McCrary	Bauer
Publications	Jonathan Hilton	Haring
Ratings	Mark Glickman	Goichberg
Rules	David Kuhns	Atkins
Scholastic Chess Council	Beatriz Marinello & Tom Brownscombe	Nietman
Senior	Charles Hatherill	Atkins
States	Guy Hoffman	Walters
Survey	Tony Pabon	Haring
Top Player	Jesse Kraai	Haring
Tournament Director		
Certification (TDCC)	Tim Just	Atkins
U.S. Open	Hal Terrie	Goichberg
Women's	Polly Wright	Haring
(*Delegate appointed)		

Location and dates of the next Board meeting were considered. A final decision will be made via email.

Ruth Haring opened a discussion about changing the workshop/meeting schedule. Suggestions included an earlier starting times for workshops and Delegates' Meetings, Board meeting in closed session by phone in advance, holding the President's reception at 11am Thursday, changing times for Sunday EB meetings and shortening the Awards Luncheon time. As an Action Item, Ruth Haring, Tony Pabon, Chairman of the Survey Committee and Mike Nolan will to do a survey to determine member preferences and glean additional ideas for improving the schedule.

Mike Nolan advised he'd compiled a preliminary list of Delegate Motions from the meetings and asked for review and correction.

Changes to the Elections Committee were briefly discussed. Mike Nolan is stepping down.

Comments were made by Sam Sloan and Tony Pabon to not increase employee pay and benefits until the federation's finances improve.

President Berry thanked everyone for participating.

Meeting was adjourned.