

**US Chess
Executive Board Meeting
October 11th, 2022
Zoom Meeting**

This document is a summary of the proceedings of this meeting. It includes motions made, action items accepted, and subjects discussed.

Open Session 1

Executive Board members present:

Randy Bauer, President

Kevin Pryor, Vice President

Chuck Unruh, VP of Finance

David Day, Member

David Hater, Member

Carol Meyer, Executive Director

Fun Fong, Secretary

John Fernandez, Member

Mike Hoffpauir, Member

President Bauer called the roll. All members were present, establishing a quorum.

There were no new financial conflicts of interest.

EB23-020 – Fong – Motion to approve the minutes of September 13th, 2022, seconded by Fernandez.

PASSED 8-0

The Executive Director asked that the Board review the draft Form 990 by noon on the 13th of October 2022 as there are filing deadlines for charitable contributions. President Bauer endorsed this request as the paperwork includes an acknowledgement that the Board has seen the filing prior to its submission.

VP Finance Unruh confirmed that a review of the audit was ongoing and not ready to go to the Audit Committee yet.

The Executive Director spoke about the dashboard presentation of the quarterly figures to provide a visual representation of key pieces of data. There had been a meeting with the CFO team, the Executive Director, VP Finance Unruh, and Mr. David Day where the need for a more digestible version of the information was required. The dashboard view can be adjusted to include whatever is required quarterly, to be made accessible through the website. A more detailed version will also be available for those who wish to take a closer look.

VP Finance Unruh stated that memberships are up, so although investments are lagging, there is a positive on the bottom line overall. He thanked the Executive Director and the staff for carrying the quarter through their cost control.

In answer to the president's queries about investments lagging and total current assets having lowered in value the Executive Director stated that this was an Olympiad year, and the World Youth and World Cadet Championships had resumed. Attrition penalties from the May elementary event also impacted this year's balance sheet.

Mr. Day said that he liked the dashboard format as it highlights the necessary information that provides a speedy explanation of the current state.

VP Finance Unruh anticipates a positive impact from cash deposits on next year's bottom line.

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One of the topics discussed was the US Senior Women's Championship. The Director of National Events has been directed to request proposals for this tournament.

EB23-021 – Hoffpauir – I move that the Executive Board approve the Letter of Certification for the software upgrade made to the ChessNoteR electronic chess notation device produced by Black Mirror Studio. Board approval authorizes the President to sign the Letter of Certification.
PASSED 8-0

EB23-022 – Executive Board – The Executive Board moves to create a task force to study, investigate and issue a report and recommendation regarding the feasibility of hybrid delegates meetings that would allow remote participation. The Executive Board appoints the following members to that task force: John Fernandez (Chair), Mike Hoffpauir, Hal Terrie, John Rockefeller, Beatriz Marinello and Dewain Barber.
PASSED 8-0

EB23-023 – Executive Board – The Executive Board moves to authorize the Executive Director to enter into a contract with Wagenmaker & Oberly LLC for legal services.
PASSED 8-0

EB23-024 – Executive Board – The Executive Board moves modify the membership of the Chess in Education Committee to the following: Ranae Bartlett and John Galvin as co-chairs, Jeff Bulington, Ursula Byrd, Victor Flores, Gabrielle Moshier, Richard Pointer, Sophia Rohde, Abel Talamantez, Brian Tillis, Mark Indermaur, Christina Mullinax, Adam Porth, and Shaun Smith.
PASSED 8-0

EB23-025 – Fong – The Executive Board moves to restore activity requirements for player eligibility for Top 100 lists effective January 1, 2023. The activity requirement links to each rating category for which a player might qualify.
PASSED 8-0

The meeting adjourned.