

## **WCF Board Meeting**

1/19/09

The meeting was called to order at 7:55 pm. Reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

Officer reports:

### Secretary

- Gave a report on the Wash. Quick Chess Championship. There were 13 players in all. Made a profit of \$0.40. Gave a report on Wash. Challengers' Cup. There were only 10 players in all. Lost \$170.00. This tournament had to be rescheduled because of bad weather. The Wash. Quick was held at the SCC and the Challengers Cup was held at TCC.
- Am still updating the archives and the NW Clubs list which will list clubs from B.C., Id., Or. & Wash.

### Financial report:

- Made \$1,300 from the Wash. Class Scholastic & \$2,000 from the Wash. Class.

### NWC report:

- Magazine is having financial problems. The money in the bank is dwindling and soon there will not be enough to cover expenses. A motion was made by Mr. Sinanan and seconded by Mr. Dorfner to wave the WCF membership fees paid to WCF by NWC, which are \$4.00 for adults and \$3.00 for juniors per member for 1 year. This would be effective as of 1/1/09, passed. A motion was made by Mr. Dorfner and seconded by Mr. Ryan that the WCF pay subscriptions for libraries, city, county and schools (maximum of \$1,000), passed.

### Discussed the State Championship & Premier.

- Josh has sent out the invitations. It is hoped that all 3 sections will be filled by the end of the month.
- Prize fund is still being worked out and the site locked in. Donations also need to be solicited. It was suggested to have a brilliancy prize of \$100.00 for best game, and a prize of \$500.00 for a perfect score, in all 3 sections.
- Electronic boards will be used so people can view the games online.
- A motion was made by Mr. Mathews and seconded by Mr. Dorfner to wave the activity requirement to be eligible to play in all 3 sections for IM's, GM's & WGM's. This would be a bylaw change that would be effective as of 1/4/08, 4 yes, 2 no, passed. A motion was made by Mr. Mathews and seconded by Mr. Sinanan to wave activity requirement for IM's, GM's & WGM's for 2009, passed.
- It was also suggested that another seed be created for the championship section. This person would be nominated by the WCF and seeded into the championship section. This person would be someone who has done a lot for chess over the years, is an honorary member, etc.

### Discussed the Wash. Open.

- The event is to be held in Spokane this year.
- WCF will handle publicity & collect the entry fees & handle all of the financial work including sending out the checks to the winners as well as plan, organize & run the event.

### Discussed the Online Registration Program.

- It is set and ready to go. It will be given a test run and the bugs worked out.
- PayPal will be incorporated into it.

Discussed the Denker and Polgar tournaments.

- The Wash. State High School Individual Championship will be held on Jan. 30-31. The winner will represent Wash. in the Denker tournament held during the US Open.
- The winner of the Polgar Qualifier will represent Wash. at the Polgar tournament. A motion was made by Mr. Sinanan and seconded by Mr. Mathews to increase the amount given to the winner to \$500.00. The amount for the Denker rep. will be left at \$250.00, passed.

Discussed the Hall Of Fame and Awards Dinner project.

- Rusty Miller and Gary Dorfner are working on it. This item of business was tabled until the next meeting.

Discussed the 2009 tournament calendar that Gary & Robert had been working on.

- Gary to send copies to all board members so that they can study it and make recommendations at the next meeting.

Discussed the Wash./B.C. Match.

- Duane said they would try to hold it in March. It could not be held last month because of bad weather.

Discussed the Wash./Or. Match.

- Harley Greninger has said that he would like to do it again this year, but that he would like the WCF and the OCF to each pay part of the expenses. It was decided to table this item of business until the next meeting.

Discussed the NW Clubs Champions Tournament.

- Tabled until the next meeting.

A volunteer is needed to write stories on the various tournaments. This should be a person who is skilled in this field (e.g., writing or journalism).

Meeting adjourned at 9:19 pm.

Gary J. Dorfner, Sec. (Minor edits by Eric Holcomb.)