



CHESS ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND INC

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2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

**held at the Hinterland Hotel, 53 Station Street, Nerang, QLD 4211
on Sunday, 2 December 2018**

The Chair declared the meeting open at 11.41 Am.

Present: Mark Stokes (Chair), Andrew Fitzpatrick, Jim Rogers, Gail Young, Shaun Curtis, Bryan Moss, Hughston Parle, Charith Silva, Chris Koloszar, Martin Carter and David Esmonde.

Apologies: Scott Dullaway, Heather Richards, Allan Menham, Dusan Stojic and Tyson Walker.

ITEM 1 – ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Moved by Mark Stokes, seconded by Martin Carter that the minutes of the previous annual general meeting held on 10 December 2017 be accepted. Passed unanimously.

ITEM 2 – BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

None.

ITEM 3 – REPORTS

3.1 Receiving reports from the 2018 Council

3.1.1 President's Report

The Chairman tabled his report as President highlighting a number of major developments during the past year in Queensland chess. A copy of the President's report is attached.

Moved by Mark Stokes, seconded by Gail Young that the President's report be accepted. Passed unanimously.

3.1.2 Membership Secretary's Report

The Membership Secretary tabled a report showing CAQ currently has 701 financial members.

Moved by Gail Young, seconded by Gail Young that the membership report be accepted. Passed unanimously.

3.1.3 Ratings Officer's Report

The Ratings Officer tabled a report showing that there were 57 tournaments rated this year.

Moved by Gail Young, seconded by Martin Carter that the Ratings Officer report be accepted. Passed unanimously.

3.1.4 Publicity Officer's Report

It was reported that there are approximately 700 subscribers for the newsletter. CAQ need to issue more regular newsletters in 2019.

The CAQ Junior FaceBook page has 192 likes.

The CAQ FaceBook page has 427 likes.

Moved by Shaun Curtis, seconded by Andrew Fitzpatrick that the Publicity Officer's report be accepted. Passed unanimously.

3.1.5 Webmaster's Report

It was discussed that the workload needs to be spread about. David Esmonde is on board for 2019.

Moved by Andrew Fitzpatrick, seconded by Shaun Curtis that the Webmaster's report be accepted. Passed unanimously

3.2 Receiving statements of income, expenditure, assets and liabilities of the Association

The Treasurer tabled a statement of income, expenditure, assets and liabilities (included within the Auditor's Report) and noted that the CAQ had performed strongly in the 2018 financial year, recording a surplus of \$7,686. Funds on hand totalled \$74,763.72 compared with a figure of \$71,540.15 at the end of the previous financial year.

Moved by Jim Rogers, seconded by Gail Young that the Treasurer's report be accepted. Passed unanimously.

3.3 Receiving the Auditor's Report for the year ended 30 September 2017

The Treasurer tabled the auditor's report prepared by Diana Taylor of Bailiwick Accounting Services Pty Ltd. A copy of the report, which contained no adverse findings, is attached.

Moved by Jim Rogers, seconded by Gail Young that the auditor's report be accepted. Passed unanimously.

ITEM 4 – ELECTION OF OFFICERS

4.1 Declaration of vacancies for all Council positions and election of interim chairman

The Chairman declared vacant all positions on the Council.

Davis Esmonde was elected to take the role of Interim Chair.

4.2 Determination of voting rights

Mark Stokes advised the following voting rights:

Jim Rogers	3 votes (1 Associates, 2 Brisbane)
Andrew Fitzpatrick	3 votes (1 Mackay, 2 Gardiner)
Shaun Curtis	2 votes (1 Gardiner Chess, 1 Gold Coast)
Gail Young	1 vote (1 QWCL)
Hughston Parle	1 vote (1 Brisbane Junior Chess League)
Mark Stokes	3 votes (1 Redcliffe, 1 Townsville, 1 Toowoomba)
Martin Carter	1 vote (1 Bundaberg)

Total: 14 votes

The following Clubs had Voting Rights but did not send a representative or a proxy and thus did not vote at all: Logan City - had 1 vote, The Gap - had 1 vote, Springfield Ipswich - had 1 vote, Maryborough Monarchs - had 1 vote, Sunnybank - had 1 vote, Suncoast - had 2 votes. (Chris Koloszar , the Suncoast delegate, arrived late and did not vote on any motion.)

4.3 Appointment of scrutineers

Not required

4.4 Election of Council officers for 2018

The Interim Chair advised that the following nominations had been received for the vacant positions on Council before the close of nominations on Sunday 4 November 2018:

President:	Mark Stokes
Vice President:	Andrew Fitzpatrick
Secretary:	Scott Dullaway
Treasurer:	Bryan Moss
Membership Secretary:	Gail Young
Regional Liaison Officer:	Martin Carter
Ratings Officer:	Gail Young
Junior Chess Coordinator:	Shaun Curtis
Tournament Officer:	Andrew FitzPatrick

The Interim Chairman noted that there were no contested nominations.

The Interim Chair declared the nominations for the vacant positions on Council as being appointed to their respective Council positions.

Mark Stokes then resumed the role of Chair of the meeting.

Nominations were then made from the floor for Alan Menham and Hughston Parle for the position of Publicity Officer, and both had accepted the nominations for the position.

The results of the election were: Hughston Parle 14 votes, Allan Menham 0 votes.

The Chair declared Hughston Parle as being appointed to the position of Publicity Officer.

A nomination was then made for Heather Richards for the position of Development Officer, and Mark Stokes confirmed that Heather had expressed she would accept the nomination for the position.

Heather Richards was then elected by 14 votes for and 0 against for the position of Development Officer, and the Chair declared Heather Richards as being appointed to the position of Development Officer.

4.5 Confirmation of Council appointees for 2018

The Chairman noted the proposal by Council to make the following appointments for 2019:

Grand Prix Coordinator
Webmaster
Interschool Chess Coordinator
Newsletter Editor

The following appointments were elected to and appointed to the positions:

Grand Prix Coordinator	– Gail Young
Webmaster	– David Esmonde
Interschool Chess Coordinator	– Andrew Fitzpatrick
Newsletter Editor	– Charith Silva

ITEM 5 – APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

Moved by Jim Rogers, seconded by Bryan Moss that Diana Taylor, a partner in the firm, Bailiwick Accounting Services Pty Ltd, be appointed auditor for the 2018 financial year.
Passed unanimously.

ITEM 6 – SPECIAL BUSINESS

6.1 CAQ Constitution including eligibility for State Titles

Refer to CAQ Council Minutes of 7 October 2018, Item 6.12 Potential amendment to CAQ Constitution in relation to residency requirement for Queensland Championships

There was a suggestion of using the Electoral Roll as the primary method of determining residency. The matter was deferred to the CAQ Council for further consideration.

6.2 That this 2018 CAQ AGM recommends to the 2019 CAQ COUNCIL that it continues its current policy of reimbursing CAQ Clubs or Tournament Organizers 50% of their paid up front ACF Grand Prix Entry Fees, not including late fees, for events held by CAQ Affiliated Clubs or approved Individual Organizers, that are entered into the ACF Grand Prix in 2019 and held in Queensland.

Moved by Mark Stokes, seconded by Hughston Parle.
Abstained: 1 Motion carried.

6.3. That this 2018 CAQ AGM recommends to the 2019 CAQ COUNCIL that the CAQ Council continues to run a Queensland Participation Grand Prix, with total prize money in 2019 of \$1220, with all prize money to be won by CAQ Members only.

Moved by Mark Stokes, seconded by Shaun Curtis.
Passed unanimously.

6.4. That this 2018 CAQ AGM recommends to the 2019 CAQ COUNCIL that the 2019 CAQ Council allocates the CAQ 2019 Grand Prix prizemoney in the following way:

**1ST PLACE: \$200
Best U2000 ACF: \$200
Best U1600 ACF: \$200
Best U1200 ACF: \$200
Best U800 ACF: \$200
Best Female Under 1800 ACF: \$200
Best Unrated: Free CAQ Year Membership**

Moved by Mark Stokes, seconded by Martin Carter.
Passed unanimously.

6.5. That this 2018 CAQ AGM recommends to the 2019 CAQ COUNCIL that the 2019 CAQ COUNCIL continues to support CAQ Affiliated Clubs and approved individual Tournament Organizers with a \$400 subsidy to run regional weekend Open Chess Tournaments OR with a \$200 subsidy to run weekend Open Chess Tournaments in South-East Queensland, and that this subsidy be paid once the Tournament Entry Form is placed on the CAQ Website.

For the purposes of this motion, Redcliffe, Brisbane, Logan and Gold Coast will be considered South-East Queensland Events and be entitled to a \$200 CAQ subsidy and

all other CAQ approved Open Weekend Chess Tournaments will be considered Regional Events and entitled to a \$400 CAQ subsidy.

It is also noted that no CAQ Club or approved Individual Tournament Organizer can claim more than three tournament subsidies between January 1 2019 and December 31 2019.

Moved by Mark Stokes, seconded by Gail Young.
Passed unanimously.

- 6.6. That this 2018 CAQ AGM recommends to the 2019 CAQ COUNCIL that the 2019 CAQ COUNCIL subsidises the CAQ Affiliated Club or approved Individual Tournament Organizer that organizes and runs the 2019 Queensland Open with an extra \$500 subsidy, on top of any other subsidy they are entitled to, and that this subsidy be paid once the 2019 Queensland Open entry form is placed on the CAQ Website.**

Moved by Mark Stokes, seconded by Jim Rogers.
Passed unanimously.

- 6.7. That this 2018 CAQ AGM recommends to the 2019 CAQ COUNCIL that the 2019 CAQ COUNCIL continues its policy to reimburse the entry fees of Grandmasters, Womens Grandmasters, International Masters and Womens International Masters to the CAQ Affiliated Club or approved Individual Tournament Organizers for any CAQ approved Open Events held in Queensland in 2019.**

Moved by Mark Stokes, seconded by Gail Young.
Passed unanimously.

- 6.8. That this 2018 CAQ AGM recommends to the 2019 CAQ COUNCIL that the 2019 CAQ COUNCIL supports the 2019 FIDE OPEN on the Gold Coast in January by guaranteeing Grandmasters OR Women Grandmasters who enter this event and complete the event with a \$500 guarantee against prizemoney. If a Grandmaster or Women's Grandmaster wins \$500 or more in prizemoney, then no CAQ subsidy payment would be made.**

Moved by Mark Stokes, seconded by Shaun Curtis.
Passed unanimously.

- 6.9 Queensland Inter-School Rules for eligibility**

That this 2018 CAQ AGM recommends to the 2019 CAQ Council that the Inter-School Rules 2019 document be adopted as the official rules document for the Queensland Inter-School Chess Championships 2019, encompassing all regions of Queensland.

Moved by Mark Stokes, seconded by Gail Young.
Abstained: 2 Motion carried.

ITEM 7 – GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Life Membership for Mark Stokes

Motion: That the CAQ confer Life Membership of the CAQ on Mark Stokes.

Moved by Gail Young, seconded by Andrew Fitzpatrick. Abstained: 1. Passed by majority.

Next AGM

The next AGM was proposed to be held on the second Sunday of December 2019, being the 8th of December 2019.

The chairman declared the meeting closed at 12.46 pm.

Signed by Mark Stokes (Chairman):_____