

CHESS ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND INC

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COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting held over Zoom, on Tuesday 21 December 2021, at 7:00 PM

Present: Hughston Parle (Chairman), Andrew FitzPatrick, Eliot Soo-Burrowes, Bryan Moss, David Esmonde, Gail Young, Doug Williams, Yi Liu Martin Carter (joined the meeting at 8:17pm), Shaun Curtis (departed the meeting at 8:50pm).

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 7:07pm.

ITEM 1 - ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

Hughston Parle moved and Eliot Soo-Burrowes seconded, that the minutes for the Council meeting of 31 October 2021 be accepted. Passed unanimously.

ITEM 2 - BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

NIL.

ITEM 3 - REPORTS

3.1 President's report

The President delivered a report remarking on CAQ's role of servicing for clubs and players, and to minimise conflict where possible.

Moved by Hughston Parle, seconded by Yi Liu, that the President's report be accepted. Passed unanimously.

3.2 Treasurer's report

The Treasurer reported a total balance of \$76,640 on 20 December 2021, as opposed to \$70,973 at the time of the previous Council meeting. The Treasurer noted authorised signatories need to be transferred over to the new CAQ President, and also noted CAQ has no outstanding bills. Test case of Stripe payment system successful. The Treasurer clarified the \$500 coaching subside was Somerset College, and awaiting further correspondence from Citipointe Christian College.

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

3.3 Membership Secretary's report

The Membership Secretary reported that as of 21 December 2021, CAQ had 978 financial members.

Moved by Hughston Parle, seconded by Doug Williams, that the Membership Secretary's report be accepted. Passed unanimously.

3.4 Ratings Officer's report

The Ratings Officer advised that twenty-eight tournaments were submitted for the December 2021 ACF rating list. As of 21 December 2021, three tournaments had been submitted for the March 2022 ACF rating list.

Moved by Gail Young, seconded by Hughston Parle, that the Ratings Officer's report be accepted. Passed unanimously.

ITEM 4 - CORRESPONDENCE

CAQ Council accepts the CAQ sub-committee report addressing the complaint filed in relation to the Gold Coast v Brisbane match. CAQ Development Officer was appointed to relay correspondence with relevant partv.

Moved by Hughston Parle, seconded by Yi Liu, passed 6-0-3.

ITEM 5 - RATIFICATION OF EMAIL DECISIONS

NIL.

ITEM 6 - RECOMMENDATIONS FROM 2021 CAQ AGM

6.1 2021 CAQ AGM recommends to the 2022 CAQ COUNCIL that it continues to support CAQ affiliated Clubs and approved individual Tournament Organisers with a \$400 subsidy to run regional weekend classically rated Open Chess Tournaments OR with a \$200 subsidy to run weekend classically rated Open Chess Tournaments in South-East Queensland and that this subsidy be paid once the Tournament Entry Form is placed on the CAQ Website and an application is then made to the CAQ Treasurer.

For the purposes of this motion, Redcliffe, Brisbane, Logan, Ipswich 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 affiliated Club or approved Individual Tournament Organiser can claim more than three CAQ tournament subsidies between January 1 2022 and December 31 2022.

CAQ Council remarked how subsidies had not been increased in approximately two decades. CAQ will increase subsidies in 2022 thanks in part to CAQ's excellent financial position.

Motion:

"CAQ shall support affiliated Clubs and approved individual Tournament Organisers with a \$500 subsidy to run regional weekend classically rated Open Chess Tournaments OR with a \$250 subsidy to run weekend classically rated Open Chess Tournaments in South-East Queensland and that this subsidy be paid once the Tournament Entry Form is placed on the CAQ Website and an application is then made to the CAQ Treasurer.

For the purposes of this motion, Redcliffe, Brisbane, Logan, Ipswich and Gold Coast will be considered South-East Queensland Events and be entitled to a \$250 CAQ subsidy and all other CAQ approved Open Weekend Chess Tournaments will be considered Regional events and entitled to a \$500 CAQ subsidy.

It is noted that no CAQ affiliated Club or approved Individual Tournament Organiser can claim more than three CAQ tournament subsidies between January 1 2022 and December 31 2022."

Moved by Andrew FitzPatrick, seconded by Gail Young, passed unanimously.

6.2 2021 CAQ AGM recommends to the 2022 CAQ COUNCIL that it subsidise the CAQ affiliated Club or approved Individual Tournament Organiser that organises and runs the 2022 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 2022 Queensland Open entry form is placed on the CAQ Website and application is then made to the CAQ Treasurer.

Motion:

"CAQ shall subsidise the CAQ affiliated Club or approved Individual Tournament Organiser that organises and runs the 2022 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 2022 Queensland Open entry form is placed on the CAQ Website and application is then made to the CAQ Treasurer."

Moved by Andrew FitzPatrick, seconded by Gail Young, passed 8-0-1.

6.3 2021 CAQ AGM recommends to the 2022 CAQ COUNCIL that it continues its policy to reimburse the entry fees of Grandmasters, Women Grandmasters, International Masters and Women International Masters to CAQ affiliated Clubs or approved Individual Organisers for any CAQ approved classically rated Open Chess Tournaments held in Queensland in 2022.

There was some discussion regarding the 'classically rated' stipulation. CAQ Council noted historically rapid and blitz events generally generate sufficient profit to not require financial assistance from CAQ. It was noted that special cases, such as the ACM Rapid, may be reviewed on a case by case basis.

Motion:

"CAQ shall continue its policy to reimburse the entry fees of Grandmasters, Women Grandmasters, International Masters and Women International Masters to CAQ affiliated Clubs or approved Individual Organisers for any CAQ approved classically ACF rated Chess Tournaments held in Queensland in 2022."

Moved by Hughston Parle, seconded by Shaun Curtis, passed 6-2-1.

6.4 2021 CAQ AGM recommends to the 2022 CAQ COUNCIL that the CAQ Council run the 2022 Queensland Participation Grand Prix, with total prize money in 2022 of \$2000, with all prize money to be won by CAQ Members only. There must be at least six SE Qld weekend tournaments and three rural tournaments included in 2022 otherwise it will be cancelled for 2022.

CAQ discussed restructuring of prizes and increasing publicity to further encourage standard time control tournament participation. The CAQ Grand Prix start and end dates have been amended to fairly award a winner for the Queensland Championship events. CAQ will continue to monitor costs and benefits of running the Grand Prix prize pool.

Motion:

"CAQ Council shall run the 2021/2022 Queensland Participation Grand Prix, with total prize money in 2022 of \$2000, with all prize money to be won by CAQ Members only. There must be at least six SE Qld weekend tournaments and three rural tournaments included in 2022 otherwise it will be cancelled for 2022.

The 2021/2022 Queensland Participation Grand Prix will count tournaments from October 1 2021 to September 30 2022."

Moved by Hughston Parle, seconded by Gail Young, passed unanimously.

6.5 2021 CAQ AGM recommends to the 2022 CAQ COUNCIL that the 2022 CAQ Council allocates the CAQ 2022 Grand Prix prize money in the following way:

1ST PLACE: \$250 Best U2000 ACF: \$175 Best U1800 ACF: \$175 Best U1600 ACF: \$175 Best U1400 ACF: \$175 Best U1200 ACF: \$175 Best U1000 ACF: \$175 Best U800 ACF: \$175 Best U600 ACF: \$175

Best Female Under 1800 ACF: \$175

Best Unrated: 12 months CAQ Membership / a Chess Book

Motion:

"The 2022 CAQ council allocates the CAQ 2022 Grand Prix prize money as follows:

1ST PLACE: \$500

Best Under 2000 ACF: \$300 Best Under 1600 ACF: \$300 Best Under 1200 ACF: \$300 Best Under 600 ACF: \$300

The top U1600 player that does not qualify by rating gains free entry to the 2022 QLD Championship.

The top unrated player gains free entry into the QLD U1600 Championship."

Moved by Shaun Curtis, seconded by Eliot Soo-Burrowes, passed 8-0-1.

ITEM 7 - GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Blue Card Update - Bryan Moss

The Treasurer noted that all affiliated clubs, with one exception, have responded and are making endeavours to meet obligations.

CAQ Council appoints a Compliance Sub-committee of Doug Williams, Andrew FitzPatrick, Yi Liu and Bryan Moss.

Moved by Hughston Parle, seconded by Yi Liu, passed unanimously.

7.2 Ratification of Events for ACF Funding Support Program

7.2.1 Gold Coast Chess Club - Matthew Smith

CAQ endorses Gold Coast Chess Club's ACF Funding Support Program application for the 2022 Arianne Caoili Memorial Rapid.

Moved by Yi Liu, seconded by Bryan Moss, passed 5-0-5.

7.2.2 Gardiner Chess - Andrew Fitzpatrick

CAQ endorses Gardiner Chess's ACF Funding Support Program application for the 2022 Gold Coast Open.

Moved by Yi Liu, seconded by Gail Young, passed 4-0-6.

7.3 Amendment to classification of "regional" - Shaun Curtis

Following from the proposed change of classification for the concerned regions, Junior Development Officer reported on research and community responses from regional QLD as well as Brisbane and Gold Coast parties.

The CAQ Council supports the recommended regional rezoning as per the CAQ Inter-School Coordinator's Report'.

Moved by Shaun Curtis, seconded by Hughston Parle, passed 7-1-2.

7.4 Tender Applications for 2022

7.4.1 QLD Open

'Shaun Curtis is granted the rights to run the 2022 QLD Open'

Moved by Hughston Parle, Seconded by Martin Carter, passed 8-0-2.

7.4.2 QLD Juniors

'Gardiner Chess is granted the rights to run the 2022 Queensland Junior Chess Championships'

Moved by Hughston Parle, Seconded by Martin Carter, passed 5-0-5.

7.4.3 QLD Reserves (uncontested)

'Gardiner Chess is granted the rights to run the 2022 Queensland Reserve Championships'

Moved by Hughston Parle, Seconded by Gail Young, passed 6-0-4.

7.4.4 QLD Junior Blitz (uncontested)

'Gardiner Chess is granted the rights to run the 2022 Queensland Junior Blitz Championships'

Moved by Hughston Parle, Seconded by Gail Young, passed 6-0-4.

7.5 Joey Chess - Tyson Walker

'Joey's Chess Club is not granted status as an affiliated club with the CAQ'

Moved by Hughston Parle, seconded by Doug Williams, passed 9-0-1.

7.6 Other Business

7.6.1 Alan Thomas Vale

The Council received correspondence on the passing of Alan Thomas and notes it's condolences for Alan's family and acknowledges his significant contribution towards the growth and prosperity of chess in Toowoomba.

7.6.2 Appointment of Vega Advisor

'Michael D'Arcy is appointed as Vega Advisor for the CAQ'

Moved by Andrew Fitzpatrick, Seconded by Hughston Parle, passed unanimously

7.6.3 Appointment of CAQ Councillor

'Doug Williams is appointed as CAQ Councillor'

Moved by Hughston Parle, Seconded by Andrew Fitzpatrick, passed unanimously

ITEM 8 – NEXT MEETING

The next CAQ Council Meeting is scheduled for 7:30pm on 13 February 2022 over Zoom.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9:52pm.