

WSEEC Board Meeting Minutes– May 3rd, 2009

Held via SKYPE Telecom – 3pm PDT

Attendance: Norm May, James Stripes, Mark Cohen, Dave Sommers, Ed Dodd, Rick Jorgensen, David Hendricks

Acceptance of Board Meeting Minutes

Approved – All AYE

Modified wording of Board Mission Statement

Based on the discussion at the coaches meeting, the board approved to add the word “and oversee” to the Mission Statement “ – All AYE.

Establishment of Corporate Officers

The following members were accepted for the following positions – All AYE

- President – Norm May
- Vice President – David Sommers
- Treasurer – Ed Dodd

Establishment of Non-Profit Corporation

A general discussion of the differences between a 503c and a non-profit corp were discussed. We are moving forward with a WA State non-profit corporation. WSCHA would be the recipient of any funds remaining upon dissolution of the corporation. Rick Jorgensen was to personally pay for the state fees to create the board as a donation to the community. Ed Dodd’s address would be the corporate address (since he is treasurer). Ed Dodd would personally contribute the money for Board Insurance once the corporation was created. The name of the entity would be the Washington State Elementary Chess Championships.

Notification of Coaches of Region 2 Board Replacement

No candidates have been identified or wish to step forward for the Region 2 board position.

Proposed Interim Policies

Adopt Roberts Rules of Order for use in Board Meetings and the annual coaches meeting. – All AYE

Section 1.4.6.4 Roberts Rules of Order 5th Edition (Newly Revised) shall be used for all official meetings of the board and subcommittee meetings.

Section 2.5 Rules of Conduct

Section 2.5.1 Roberts Rules of Order 5th Edition (Newly Revised) shall be used for all official Coaches Meetings.

Establish a Public Bulletin Board for member review and comment on Board Policies and Activities

David Sommers was tasked to examine this and report back to the board.

Discussion on Home School Codes in WA State

It was discovered that the issue that created this item (a problem at State 2009) was not accurate and the issue was dropped.

Discussion to address Growth in size of State

There was much debate and discussion of this issue. Several different ideas were discussed including:

- Raising the requirement to 3.5 as the qualifier
- Separating the event into multiple days (by grade level)
- Creating a “regional” set of events selecting the qualifiers to State (like Oregon)

There was much discussion on the pros and cons of this issue and no resolution was found.

Minimum Trophy Requirements

Mark Cohen proposed some requirements for Minimum trophies. He agreed to draft some language that was to be included in the bylaws. Subsequent emails finalized the language and was agreed by the Board for proposal to the membership.

Conduct of Meetings

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