

**Minutes of the Alberta Chess Association Annual General Meeting
October 12, 2003
Edmonton, Alberta**

49 people were in attendance.

1. President Ron Hinds called the meeting to order at 14:21
2. John Quiring Moved the Agenda be accepted
Micah Hughey seconded
Passed
3. The Officers in attendance were introduced by President Ron Hinds
4. The Minutes of the last AGM were read by Secretary Tom McKay
There were no corrections.
5. The President's Report was given by Ron Hinds - See appendix A
6. Treasurer's report was given by Acting Treasurer Ron Hinds - See appendix B
7. John Quiring Moved we accept the financial reports
Micah Hughey seconded
Passed

8. Other Business:

Juraj Pivavarov enquired if any decision had been made concerning the Canadian Junior Chess Tournament and Pan Am Qualifier to be held in Calgary in December 2003 and January 2004.

Micah Hughey replied the ACA has no intention of taking the tournament out of Calgary and it should be held on the same dates as scheduled, right now it is up the Chess Federation of Canada to respond.

9. Elections:

Nominations for President for the 2004 – 2005 term.

Adrien Regimbald nominated Ford Wong
Micah Hughey seconded
Ford Wong accepted

No other nominations were made and Ford was declared the President elect.

Nominations for Treasurer for the 2004 – 2005 term

Carolyn McMaster nominated Ron Hinds
Ford Wong seconded
Ron accepted
No other nominations were made and Ron was declared the Treasurer elect.

Nominations for the 4 Directors positions for the 2004 – 2005 term

Juraj Pivoravov nominated Mark Cole – accepted
John Quiring nominated Phil Lefkowitz – accepted
Adrien Regimbald nominated John Quiring – accepted
Micah Hughey nominated Greg Beebe – accepted
Richard Kaminski nominated Bruce Thomas – declined
Bruce Thomas nominated Alex Kazakevich – accepted
Greg Beebe nominated Bob Davies – declined

A vote by secret ballot was taken and the results were Phil Lefkowitz, John Quiring, Greg Beebe and Alex Kazakevich were elected.

It was also announced that Carolyn McMaster and David Ludwig had recently been appointed to the vacant Directors positions for the 2003 – 2004 term.

The new ACA Board is:

President: Ford Wong
Vice President: Micah Hughey
Treasurer: Ron Hinds
Secretary: Tom McKay

Directors with 1 year left

Dr. Bill Taylor
James Chapman
Carolyn McMaster
David Ludwig

Directors with 2 years left

Greg Beebe
Phil Lefkowitz
John Quiring
Alexander Kazakevich

10. The meeting was adjourned at 14:58

Appendix A: President Address 2003 by Dr. Ronald C. Hinds

This has been a two year term filled with the joy of assisting chess in Alberta and the sadness due to the loss of some of our Association.

The objectives of the ACA are to

- foster, promote, administer and coordinate chess in Alberta
- to give guidance to any group wishing to form a chess club and to help maintain existing clubs
- to give assistance to junior clubs
- to host specific Sponsored Events to give continuity to chess in Alberta
- to represent the ACA membership to the CFC, local governments and other associations.

In reality, to have a successful ACA, we need talented and enthusiastic team of volunteers who are willing to be obligated to the ACA board and to its Policies.

Where is the ACA today? During the past three years, we have run two Casinos that have brought in funding that allows the ACA

- to supply chess books to public libraries
- pay venue rentals for chess clubs
- pay venue costs for tournaments across Alberta from Medicine Hat to Grand Prairie
- and to send junior champions to National Tournaments

We have formed a Junior Coordinating Committee so that all junior chess clubs across the province have a say in entirety of junior chess in Alberta.

Financially, the ACA could not be healthier.

Our junior players are seeing National success. Anastasia Kazakevich and Cornelia Dinca will be proudly representing Canada at the World Youth Chess Championships. Our Alberta players are traveling to top National tournaments and playing the World's best chess players with success.

Appendix B: Treasurer's Report by Dr. Ronald C. Hinds

Before I submit to the membership the 2002 financial records, please let me speak on the function of the Treasurer.

The Treasurer:

- responsible for the financial matters of the ACA.
- shall ensure that a financial audit is performed every year
- shall make available the current financial statements
- will issue receipts for financial actions
- pay affiliation fees to the CFC
- will ensure that funds are spent according to the rules of the granting institutions and
- shall keep account of all expenditures and revenues received

The Treasurer should always be independent to external influences; however, the treasurer should be obligated to the ACA board, policies, by-laws and overall membership.

Current Financial Summary:

Bank Accounts	October 9, 2003	
Alberta Youth Chess Council	\$421.23	
Casino	\$86,929.32	
Old Casino	\$0.00	
Operating	\$12,743.47	

Total Bank Accounts	\$100,094.02	
Asset Accounts		
GIC -01	\$3,000.00	2.0% annual June 30
GIC -02	\$11,000.00	1.85% annual Sept 22
GIC -05	\$6,605.24	0.95% monthly 22 nd
GIC -08	\$15,801.45	1.5% annual Dec 3
GIC -09	\$42,117.00	1.5% annual Dec 13

Total Accounts	\$78,523.69	
Consolidated Balance	\$178,617.71	