



## The Alberta Chess Association

### Planning Meeting Minutes

November 29, 2009, 10 a.m.

Black Knight Inn, Red Deer

Present: Vlad Rekhson, Richard Pua, Dale Haessel, Geoff Newton, Ali Razzaq, Phil Holmstrom, Aaron Sequillion, Roy Yearwood, Tony Ficzere

#### 1. Presidents address

Tony is acting as chair in the absence of Mike Sekuloff and Micah Hughey. 10:23

Tabled president's remarks

Read the meeting minutes from the 2009 AGM. Vlad & Roy motioned: All in favour, motion carried.

#### 2. ACA 2010 Schedule (see attachment)

There was some discussion regarding the ACC regionals. Tony will ask Bruce if any player in Alberta can play in any of the ACC regionals? Vlad wanted to know where the money goes from these regionals.

Tony relayed an idea from Paul Viminitz to run the Alberta Closed/Reserves/Women's in Lethbridge. There was considerable discussion regarding the viability of this idea. Tony will keep in contact with Paul Viminitz to see just how far he is willing to fund this idea. Tony will ask Paul if he is willing to submit a formal bid for the 2010 Alberta Closed.

Alberta Chess Challenge: Some asked if it could be held in Calgary.

Vlad motioned to overturn the motion from last year, allowing Bruce to hold the Alberta Chess Challenge at the location he seems fit.

Dale seconded: 5 for, 2 against, motion carried.

#### 3. Financial Update (Tony Ficzere)

Tony gave a brief update on the ACA accounting, and alerted everyone to the fact that we only have 7,500 in the casino account. Tony provided a financial projection on the casino account and showed almost \$10,000 between now and our next casino cheque. We will have to spend some money from the revenue account to keep afloat until that cheque comes in.

#### 4. Set the 2010 Budget

After reviewing the expenses and revenue for 2010, it was decided to set the 2010 budget at \$60,000. Vlad motioned \$60,000, Roy seconded, 4 in favour, 1 against, 2 abstentions, motion carried.

#### 5. Other Business

Vlad – do we want to change Alberta Championship format. Should we do a tie-break. We decided to discuss this at the next meeting.

Vlad – ACA coaching program, where coaches are accredited by ACA as a certified coach, and we could put their names on the website.

#### 6. Motion to Adjourn made by Vlad, Phil seconds adjourned at 2:27pm