## **GCA Board Meeting Minutes**

2-27-18 Red Lobster, Tucker

Present: **Board Members**: Thad Rogers, David Hater, Amrita Kumar, San Swaby, Ashley Thomas, and Michael Muzquiz. **Member**: Keith Sewell

Meeting called to order at 7:09 PM.

- Minutes from previous meeting accepted with changes. Motion made, seconded, passed.
- GCA looking into renting space at Doubletree by Hilton on Chamblee-Dunwoody Rd for the State Open Championship on May 18 – 20.

## **Open Events**

- GCA looking into renting space at Doubletree by Hilton on Chamblee-Dunwoody Rd for the state Open Championship on May 18-20. Discussion about the weekend the state Championship should be held.
- Discussion held regarding whether or not to make the Collegiate a rated tournament, whether or not to require GCA membership, and whether or not to outsource the tournament. Board awarded the collegiate to Atlanta Chess Center with no GCA membership required, and unrated event.
- Dave will discuss with Chess Club and Scholastic Center of Atlanta about senior/women's open.

## **Scholastics**

- March 3<sup>rd</sup> event will have co-chief TDs Thad Rogers, Jim Lawhorn. March 10<sup>th</sup> Co-chiefs Thad Rogers and Parnell Watkins.
- March 25<sup>th</sup> event will have Greg Maness as Chief TD. Thad also wants Usha to be TD the March 25<sup>th</sup> event.
- Keith Sewell will do informatics and pairings for March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and State.
- Board noticed discrepancy regarding byes in Qualifier event announcement vs. what is mentioned in the FAQs. Decision made to announce that all byes are zero-point byes. Motion seconded. Passed.
- April 21<sup>st</sup> date set for Invitational. Thad is the event coordinator.

## **Other Discussion**

- Discussion if USCF delegates had been informed of their selection and payment of GCA and USCF fees.
- Discussion about storage: it needs to be moved to a bigger facility.

Next meeting will be on March 20 at Chik-fil-A.