



GCA Board Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

The meeting of the Georgia Chess Association board was held on June 13, 2017 at Cox Hall at Emory. The meeting was called to order at 6:14 PM.

Attendees

Dr. Fun Fong, Thad Rogers, Amrita Kumar, David Hater, and Michael Muzquiz

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from previous meeting were approved with minor changes.

New Business

- Discussion held about using Skype in lieu of attending board meeting. Board agrees that it should be allowed (when necessary), but not encouraged.
- Board discussed ways of assisting Georgia chess clubs (chess sets, operational assistance/guidance, and inclusion in GCA emails for information about membership and GCA tournaments.
- Board agrees to develop a GCA business card. Thad Rogers will lead this effort.
- Board members discuss guidelines for posting to the GCA website. All chess events in the state can be posted on the site. "Place Holders" (claims to certain dates in the calendar for planned events) will no longer be posted. A Posting Guidelines Document will be evaluated until final version is accepted by the board.
- The board discussed at length the issue of lowering membership fees and changing online access of the magazine.
- Pros and cons discussed about offering a free tournament and a tournament with \$1 membership for MLK and qualifiers.
- Board discusses option of paying small stipend for guest contributors to Georgia Chess News.

- Motion is made to accept Dave Hater as Open Events Chair:
 - Motion seconded
 - Motion carries unanimously. Dave Hater appointed Open Events Chair.
- Next board meeting will be held on July 7th at Klaus Fries's restaurant in Stone Mountain.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:03 pm.

Secretary: Michael Muzquiz