### Call to Order

The meeting of the Georgia Chess Association board was held on July 7, 2017 at The Village Corner restaurant in Stone Mountain. The meeting was called to order at 7:18 PM.

### **Attendees**

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

## **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from previous meeting were approved with minor changes.

#### **New Business**

- Open Events committee chair discusses with the board different options for recruiting event coordinators.
- Open Events Chair expresses interest in expanding events to locations in South Georgia.
- Scholastics had partial meeting of core group. Cherie Ong is interested in looking for other venue aside from Infinite Energy Center. Looking at megachurches as possible venues. Tricia Hill informed the committee that she is having difficulty finding a venue for QuickStart. Board member mentioned possibility of holding the QuickStart event at Zoo Atlanta.
- Treasurer stated that June 30 closed out fiscal year; GCA made a profit last year.
- Board member recommends the issuing of a stipend to GCA volunteers for certain events.
- Board president recommends including links to Georgia Chess News articles in monthly GCA e-blasts.
- Motion is made to make David Hater eligible to be a life member.
  - Motion passed unanimously
- Thad Rogers will look into creating GCA business cards.

- Board discusses creating a structure for a Georgia Chess Hall of Fame. Thad Rogers will lead the development of this project. Motion is made to empower Thad Rogers to develop a framework for a GCA Hall of Fame.
  - Motion passes by majority.
- President discusses bestowing upon Thad Rogers the title of President Emeritus. Board member proposes bestowing the same title upon all past GCA presidents.
- Next board meeting will be held on August 29, at The Village Corner in Stone Mountain.

# **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 9:03 pm.

Secretary: Michael Muzquiz