

- a. contacts at Gesa used to be on board which is why we're pursuing GESA
 - viii. Dawn suggested we hold a press conference at last tournament prior to State
 - ix. number of qualified players coming from Tri-Cities--good number to have to promote our involvement with state tournament
 - a. listing of all school codes
 - b. need to develop Excel spreadsheet featuring cities codes from online ratings website
 - x. Dawn will draw up press release for upcoming tournament at Livingston, with Jose Cruz in charge
 - B. Dave shared previous write-up WECC handed out at previous State tournaments held in Tri-Cities
 - i. 3 8x14 sheets stapled in middle, handed out at tournament
 - ii. Dawn took the pages home to review for input on flyer to hand out this year at State
 - iii. Dawn can have flyer done within a week
 - iv. Dave M. will address 2012 State in menu bar on website immediately
 - v. KNDU or KEPR both have weekend news show, so we need to commit one of these for last tournament of the year
 - a. only needs to last about 10 minutes
 - b. Dave M. will be contact for news coverage since Dawn may not be there March 25th
4. Review Bishop Battle Star Tournament
 - A. Called Jose Cruz and left voicemail asking about extent of WECC support
 - i. Dave M., Dave. C, Stan will be there, possibly Mike Wilbricht
 - ii. Dave M. can lend computer and printer for pairings
 - iii. Bill R. may need to help with pairings
 - a. also ask him about cost of domain name renewal
 - b. as well as name for chesschampions.org (contains 2012 or 2006)
 - c. Bill R. says he is not an artist, in regard to website development, and the name with the year in it may be a sub-domain
 - iv. spoke with Bill on the phone and agreed to a number of things that he then asked to be summarized in an email
5. Review Richland Rook Round Up
 - A. Julie Robertson arrived at just the right time
 - B. Bill will set up computer for pairings prior to the tournament
 - C. Cathy said she can help with pairings the day of
 - D. Gregg D. committed to helping as judge throughout
 - E. She needs tournament director
 - i. Dave M. said he could do that
 - F. Diana Lam willing to do whatever she can to help throughout
 - i. likely will be head scorekeeper
 - G. Dave C. will be there, along with his grandson, for judging
 - H. Dawn mentioned having a press conference to promote 2018 State
 - i. Julie insists she will need to get approvals, notify principal

- ii. Dawn reassured her that approvals are same as sporting event in public place, does not require individual okays
- I. Julie ordered trophies through Buddy
 - i. will not be doing sectional trophies, by grade level only
 - ii. team trophies assigned by elementary, middle and high schools
 - a. as determined by how they're registered
 - iii. political nuances concerning chess funds at Lewis & Clark
 - iv. WECC writes check to go to RSD funds, after PTA grant exhausted
 - a. person responsible for RSD funds is Sabrina
 - b. teacher is Mary Wise, associated with chess program
- J. Registration closed by 3 or 4 Thursday afternoon so Bill can download files
- K. Set up Friday night will hopefully be accomplished by Key Club (high school)
 - i. some chess players will also help
 - ii. members of PTO may also help
- L. Cheryl Antonio will handle concessions (divide and conquer with Julie)
 - i. supposed to be run by 5th grade at L&C to support their annual trip, for sure a couple of 5th grade teachers
- M. Needs help with setting up tables and tents
 - i. curious how Orchard accommodated 200 kids
 - a. used art room, library and tables in gym
 - ii. all players in the gym
 - iii. art room set aside if high school players need to be separate
 - a. may not have that many high school players
 - b. may need to have 7-12 section
- N. Julie needs to arrange for different color paper for each section
 - i. will have no under/over sections, by grade level
- O. Ask Steve Aagard, the PR person for RSD, to tournament
 - i. he will help with drawing news coverage and press conference
- 6. Jose called about this weekend's tournament
 - A. Could use some help with pairings
 - i. Bill willing to help but need to know sections by tomorrow
 - ii. try to set up sections to contain about 32 kids
 - iii. really don't want as many as 64 per section
 - B. Jose will pick up computer/printer at Dave's house tomorrow between 5 and 6
 - C. WECC will provide a few judges
 - D. Stan can be tournament director
 - E. Jose should have tables/tents well in hand
- 7. Julie asked if a flyer for Richland Rook Round Up was at Orchard
 - A. No, it was not there
 - i. WECC can print up flyers to have present at Bishop Battle Star this weekend at Livingston
 - B. Julie asked Dave if he still has the laminated rule sheets for score keepers
 - i. yes, he does
 - ii. great!
 - C. Room available for pairings, will be staff lounge in a quiet, remote place
 - i. is there a computer with monitor, mouse and keyboard?

8. Report on Assignments

- A. WECC8 now in hands of Bill R.
- B. WECC3 with Doug, it has updated SwissSys and Excel (2003)
 - i. Excel files need to be save as .xls for this computer
 - ii. same as Word files, saved as .doc and not .docx
- C. WECC7 with Stan, it has updated SwissSys but not Excel
 - i. Dave M. has one of three Excel registrations available for this one
- D. Dave M. received \$100 donation from Areva
- E. Dave M. and Stan visited hotel and signed contract

9. Assign tasks for follow up

- A. Dave M. will draw up team table map draft
- B. Dawn will draw up draft of flyer for 2017 State
- C. Synonyms for “opportunities”
- D. Doug will look into Summer chess nights at Richland Public Library

10. Next meeting will be in two weeks, March 22nd @ Dawn’s house
2326 Easton Ave

- A. Following meeting to be held at Stan’s house, likely April 19th

11. Meeting adjourned at 9:22pm

- A. Another record-deserving-length meeting!

Respectfully submitted,

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