

WECC Meeting  
held at Stan Kuick's house

November 27, 2017

2356 Ferndale Ave, Richland, WA

Attending: David Merrill (P), Stan Kuick (VP), David Criswell (T), Doug Herigstad (S),  
Dawn Johnson (M)

Guests: Edith Lau, Julie Robertson (by phone), Cathy Kuwamoto (by phone)

Meeting started at 7:02 pm

1. Review Minutes. Dawn motioned we accept the minutes as written, Dave M seconded, approved.

2. Review finances

A. Paypal	\$638.40
B. HAPO Credit Union	
1. Savings	\$4,153.98
2. Checking	\$1244.13
C. 18 Mo CD C5	\$7660.83
D. Subtotal	\$13,697.34
E. Minus Outstanding Checks	\$10.00
New check in (United Way)	\$99.11
F. Total	\$13687.34

3. Report on Assignments:

a) reviewed pieces, preferred white, lighter pieces, and black board

b) don't have a firm quote at this time. It is approximately as follows:

- \$6.75/unit for the board, 100 board minimum, plus 50 cents for black
- Pieces \$4/unit
- May be able to negotiate a better price, will get back to us by Wed

c) Dawn motioned that Dave be given latitude to negotiate up to \$5500 for 500 chess sets.

4. Review Delafield Tournament 11/17/17

A. issues with submission of results to Kirk

1. possibly due to different computers in use for pairings preparation versus one used for tournament
2. not sure why codes for unrated players appeared as such when they were indeed rated, having played in previous tournaments
3. might also be due to proximity to previous tournament (Cottonwood) so database may not have been up to date

5. Review set up for Richland Rook Roundup XVII

A. Call to Julie and Cathy simultaneously

1. Edith says it's like old-school party-lines!

B. Cathy will handle pairings for 7-12 team tournament, with WECC computer

1. not yet sure where team tournament will take place
2. ideal to fit everyone downstairs
  - a. team tournament in art room
3. prefer to not start with clocks, rather use them at 40 minutes
4. most important to get the players excited about playing as a team

5. can possibly de-synchronize the team tournament, not necessarily start two concurrent tournaments at exact same time
  - a. not much to worry about potential distraction for offset start times, for older players, will need to ask younger players to please be quiet(er)
- C. Sections set up for K-2, 3-4, 5-6
  1. trophies ordered accordingly
  2. as long as nothing is broken, should be all set for these
  3. Julie and Cathy discuss cannibalizing trophies
    - a. Cathy will make trophies in her retirement
  4. current registration indicates evenly distributed sections
  5. Dave M. tested pairing setup and it should be fine
- D. registration for team tournament still possible, can form up teams the day of
- E. get computer to Cathy by Wednesday so she can start to enter names
- F. Cathy also wants to give each player a slice of pizza, paid for with reg. fees
- G. little tricky to reconcile registration of PSD players between website and coaches' lists
- H. any leftover middle school students will be placed on teams
- I. sixth graders will play in individual tournament
- J. Edith will prepare spreadsheet of PSD 7-12 players and give to Cathy, by tomorrow, to prepare prior to start of tournament
- K. takes a bit to determine who is registered and who isn't and who will be
- L. Set up Friday evening at 4 until 6 or later
  1. Dave M. may arrive at 4:30
  2. no need to deliver chess sets and such beforehand
  3. stay busy setting up tables and chairs
  4. ask Dave M. to prepare tents
- M. hand over equipment to Edith for Frozen Knights, next tournament
- N. Dave M. will send in results for K-6
  1. Cathy will send results at the end of two-day event
- O. Julie mentioned the change in public-use facility policy
  1. community groups/public can now reserve school facilities
    - a. can reserve 12 months in advance
    - b. takes effect January 1, 2018
- P. Julie asked how we were doing with State preparations
  1. we need volunteers
    - a. Julie volunteered to set up SignUp Genius for tournament
    - b. 40 judges all-day, or 80 judges in shifts
    - c. need to determine how many volunteers are needed and in what capacity
    - d. the way Julie has it set up for RRR should work, just in greater numbers
    - e. Julie needs specific tasks and times for this
  2. we need money
    - a. at this point, likely to break even
- Q. Julie a little concerned about having enough volunteers

- R. arrive by 7:45 am to help with sign in
- 6. Hotel link for
  - A. Hampton Inn next to TRAC set up and working
  - B. Holiday Inn Express not set up yet
    - 1. Dave will forward contract to Dawn and she will follow up
- 7. Review set up for Frozen Knights
  - A. Edith will pick up equipment at RRR
  - B. Edith needs help with pairing computer, judges
  - C. tentative date for next year November 17, 2018
    - 1. possibly at Ochoa Middle School
    - 2. need to start putting together a calendar for next year
- 8. Britt expressed uncertainty about having stand-alone Cottonwood tournament next year
  - A. possibly partner up with another Kennewick school for conjoined one
    - 1. Canyon View maybe
    - 2. Ridge View
  - B. might also be better on a different date, not to conflict with Veterans Day
    - 1. look at November 3<sup>rd</sup> for next year
  - C. also wondering if location might be an issue for some
- 9. Looking at calendar for next year
  - A. Battle of the Queens possibly at McClintock
  - B. coaches meeting at next tournament to discuss next year
    - 1. between rounds 3 and 4
- 10. Do we definitely want to switch to new registration system?
  - A. much easier than the one before
  - B. additional dollar charge the only hang up
    - 1. amounts to pass through charges
      - a. means schools/chess clubs receive less in the end
      - b. most don't seem to mind a hundred dollar difference in fundraising
- 10. Schedule next meeting for 12/13/17 at Dave's house?
  - A. Doug may have something that evening
    - 1. will clarify later and let everyone know
- 11. Dave M. moved to adjourn meeting, Dave C. seconded, all said "Aye"

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Herigstad