WECC Meeting

September 16, 2021

held via Zoom, at a variety of locales

Attending: Danielle Craigen (P), Alex Corsten (VP), Doug Herigstad (S)

Advisory: Edith Lau

Meeting started at 7:32 pm

- 1. Welcome everyone and advisory counsel! Hi Edith
- 2. Old Business
 - A. Tournament Schedule
 - i. Pivot to ChessKid.com
 - 1. Solidify dates for virtual tournaments
 - 2. Update and reuse flyers from last year
 - 3. Danielle has trophies leftover too to use
 - a. Maybe change details on plates?
 - 4. Received vague response from Jefferson
 - a. "Okay."
 - 5. Dawn at Tri-Cities Prep really gracious about it
 - a. Said she'd prefer in-person tournament in March but understands perfectly well if this isn't possible
 - 6. Danielle seeing all sorts of things at school that reinforce decision to do virtual toureys
 - 7. Received response to Alex's email from Mike Klein at ChessKid
 - a. Happy to host another season of tournaments
 - i. Same arrangement as last year
 - ii. New tournament administrator to assist
 - ii. Dates
 - 1. October
 - a. 30th gives us more time to organize and encourage registration
 - b. 23rd would be good middle ground, between 16 & 30
 - 2. November scheduled for 20th
 - 3. December scheduled for 11th
 - a. Still gives us 3 weeks between tourneys
 - 4. January wide open right now
 - a. **15**th should work
 - 5. Plan for 4 tournaments with potential for more
 - a. February and March as well
 - b. Potential likelihood
 - iii. Check with ChessKid about scheduled dates
 - 1. To be sure there's no conflict with them
 - 2. Alex will reach out to them
 - a. Assuming same setup as last year
 - b. Rates the same or adjusted
 - c. Can vote next meeting concerning PSD
 - i. Edith not overly concerned
 - 3. Should we plan for warm-up tournament?
 - a. Anticipate mostly returning players
 - i. Already familiar with process
 - 4. Cheater policy remains the same

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- iv. Danielle will reach out to Ben at ChessReg about registration website
- v. Alex will reach out to Buddy about trophies
 - 1. Possibly change up the design a bit
 - a. Can keep it reasonably similar
 - b. Color-coded like last year
 - i. What color for October?
 - 1. Black?
 - ii. Started in November orange
 - 1. Warm up blitz tourneys, Nov & Dec
 - iii. February color was especially lovely
- vi. Consider also the need to share results of tournaments with Kirk at NW Chess Ratings (ratingsnw.com)
 - 1. Danielle worked out a good system for this last year
 - 2. Replicate everything from last year
 - a. Since it worked well
- vii. Just need to check with ChessKid and everything else will follow
 - 1. Falls like dominoes
 - 2. Once we receive confirmation
 - a. Take it from there
- 3. Good of the Order
 - A. Next Meeting Time: Wednesday, October 6th @ 7:30pm, via Zoom, to clarify virtual tournament details

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Herigstad