

WECC Meeting January 06, 2022
held via Zoom, at a variety of locales

Attending: Danielle Craigen (P), Alex Corsten (VP), Mike Wilbricht (T), Doug Herigstad (S)
Advisory: Edith Lau

Meeting started at 7:30 pm

1. Welcome everyone and advisory counsel! Hi Edith!
2. Review minutes from 11/20/21 meeting
 - A. Mike moved to approve minutes, Alex seconded, all said "Aye"
3. Review Treasurer's Report
 - A. Nothing new to report
 - B. Paid Buddy for trophies
 - C. Sent numbers for last two tournaments
 - i. Second one had decent profit
4. Old Business
 - A. December 2021 Tournament Wrap-up
 - i. Trophies
 1. Danielle will deliver/send trophies
 2. Coordinate with Edith to get her PSD ones
 - a. Or possibly wait to deliver multiple trophies at later date
 - ii. Danielle will also send out email to winners tonight, or soon
 - iii. NW Chess Ratings
 1. Danielle will organize and send these off tonight
 - a. Results arrived while she was out of town w/o PC
 - B. January 15th Tournament Planning
 - i. Who will be there?
 1. Danielle, Edith, Doug committed for duration
 - a. Mike can help out at start
 - b. Alex too
 - ii. Currently have 15 players registered
 1. Registration closes Monday
 - a. Low turnout likely due to Winter Break
 - iii. Pre-tournament touch-base needed or not?
 1. No, can communicate via email as needed
 - C. In-person Tournaments?
 - i. Covid numbers are at record levels
 1. It's a cluster . . .
 2. Edith received email asking if her school would host in February
 - a. Describing adjustment of mitigation strategies
 - b. She's mostly curious about the number of participants permitted
 - c. This would be first in-person tournament, February 5th
 - i. Her principal up for it
 3. Danielle described conditions at her school
 - a. Sharp increase in confirmed cases on campus
 - i. Has her concerned
 4. Edith anticipates PSD families being instantly interested with in-person tournament news

- a. Anticipates immediate registration
5. Should we cap registration at 100?
 - a. First come first served, cut off at limit
 - b. Edith mentioned viability of a waitlist
6. Mike asked about liability
7. Alex expressed concern about compliance
 - a. Who will monitor mask requirement
 - i. Less concerned with players
8. Mike asked about sanitizing pieces
 - a. Touch less a concern
 - b. Worried more about proximity, breathing on each other
 - c. Set up games length-wise
 - i. Same side of table
 - ii. Pull board back and forth between them
 - d. What happens when the clocks come out?
9. Mike doesn't think we're ready
 - a. Danielle looking at current cases graph and shares that sentiment
 - b. Edith okay with doing February 5th tourney virtually
 - c. Let Hanford proceed with first in-person
 - i. Learn from that experience and go forward from there
10. Virtual tournaments would certainly be easier
 - a. What's the benefit of in-person?
 - i. More fun for the kids
 - ii. More enjoyable experience
 1. May not be the case if conditions are more controlled
 2. What to do with parents in adjoining room?
 - A. Where do we put everyone?
 - i. And all that goes with it
11. Leaning toward virtual tournaments
 - a. Let's at least stick with it for February
 - b. Edith can still consider in-person for March
 - i. Marie Curie can possibly host if Chiawana unavailable
- ii. Danielle will reach out to Hanford and TCP to let them know our decision
 1. Danielle will let Grace know we're not ready for February
 - a. Also let Dawn know
 2. Will need to reach out to ChessKid for available dates
 - a. For both February and March
 - i. Stick with virtual tournaments for rest of season
 - ii. Ask for February 12th and March 26th
 1. February 26th backup
 - iii. Forego April tournament

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1. Anything close to State tournament causes additional confusion

5. Good of the Order

- A. Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 2nd @ 7:30pm, via Zoom

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Herigstad