



International Braille Chess Association
Presidential Board meeting - Minutes
Saturday, April 13, 2024 at 9:00 UTC
Zoom

Present:

Jörgen Magnusson, president
Piotr Dukaczewski, 1st vice-president
Nikos Kalesis, 2nd vice-president
Olivier Deville, secretary
Thorsten Mueller, treasurer

Agenda:

§1 Opening of meeting
§2 List of participants and establishment of quorum
§3 Establishment of agenda
§4 Upcoming tournaments:
We discuss eventual issues regarding upcoming tournaments in 2024 and 2025.
§5 Reports:
We share information since last board meeting.
§6 Subscription to IBCA news. It might be a good idea that people can subscribe on IBCA homepage in order to get information directly.
§7 Eventual other questions
§8 Closing of the meeting

§1

Jörgen Magnusson, president, opens the meeting and welcomes the participants.

§2

5 members out of 5 are present. The quorum is reached.

§3

The proposed agenda is approved by the board.

§4

European Championship in Ploesti, Romania; Piotr Dukaszewski will be the IBCA representative. About the request from Pakistan to be presents as observers, we recommend that the organizers invite them, asking for a money deposit.

Junior and Women Championship in Bangalore, India: Marilyn Bland will be the IBCA representative. There is a small mistake in the invitation for the Junior tournament: it shloud read "Players who are visually challenged and blind and who are born on or after 1st January 2005 are allowed to participate."

Panamerican Championship in Salinas, Ecuador; Piotr Dukaczewski received an ivitation and is planning to be there with his guide.

§5

Jörgen Magnusson created a Youtube channel with bideos accessible for blind, visually impaired and sighted players. The feedback is very positive. Trainers and coaches are invited to open more channels of this kind.

§6

A subscription to IBCA News, a newsletter about IBCA events and activities, will soone be available.

§7

Some devices used by players to take note of the game have a bluetooth connection. Jörgen will talk with the Arbiters Commission to see whether or not our rules should be updated. It is recommended that players check thir equipment with the chief arbiter before the start of the tournament.

Ecuador tried to pay the 2023 fee, but the payment was rejected, and they got huge bank charges. This issue will be discussed by the Executive board.

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No one asking to speak, the president closes the meeting.

Olivier Deville
Secretary IBCA