

International Braille Chess Association Executive Board meeting - Minutes Saturday, May 18, 2024 at 14:00 UTC Zoom

Present:

Jörgen Magnusson, president
Piotr Dukaczewski, 1st vice-president
Nikos Kalesis, 2nd vice-president
Olivier Deville, secretary
Thorsten Mueller, treasurer
Johannes Grib, continental representative of Africa
Marilyn Bland, board member
Harrison Nyaga, board member

Absent:

Vladyslav Kolpakov, continental representative of Europe Fernando Daza, continental representative of America James Infiesto, continental representative of Asia Nomin Erdenebat, board member

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 Iran as IBCA member. Iran wants to recur as IBCA member.
- §7 Eventual other questions
- §8 Closing of the meeting

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

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8 members out of 12 are present. The quorum is reached.

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The proposed agenda is approved by the board.

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European Championship in Ploesti, Romania: The Presidential board recommends to test the sight of the 5 highest rated players. This proposal is approved by the Executive board.

Women and Junior championship in Bengaluru, India: Many countries have shown their interest for this event, but travel cost is an issue for some countries. IBCA may launch a fundraising.

Panamerican in Salinas, Ecuador: Piotr will be representing IBCA.

Olympiads in Serbia (2025): The exact dates of the event will be published very soon.

World Championship (2025): No formal bid has been received so far.

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The Youtube channel run by Jörgen has 99 subscribers by now.

The 6 Nations tournament will be held in Uppsala (Sweden) from May 23 to 27. Jôrgen is planning to make records. It is suggested that videos and social contents should be broadcasted during IBCA events, possibly on an IBCA Youtube channel.

Marilyn reports that the Chess Queens tournament concluded successfully. Another event is planned for the second part of this year.

Johannes reports that the phishing attempt received by several IBCA officials was probably not specifically aimed at IBCA.

Thorsten reports that we have around 28.000 Euro and 900 USD in our Wise account. We are still having issues receiving payments on the account in dollars. Our Paypal account is still unavailable. Basically, member countries are paying their annual fee.

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Iran is willing to resume membership. The Executive board agrees to welcome Iran back.

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No questions.

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No one asking to speak, the president closes the meeting. Olivier Deville Secretary IBCA