NBCC Annual Meeting Minutes 6/14/2022

Venue Armenian Church

- 1-Call to Order 7:12P.M.
- 2- Attendance 23 voting members.
- 3- Approved minutes of 2020Meeting; 22 yes; 1 abstention
- 4- Bob Cyr, NBCC historian, gave his historian's report.
 - o The major highlights of 2022 were covered.
 - A new contest for the awarding of Grand Prix points to the winners of the club's tournaments in 2022 was presented.
 - o Dr. Tony Yablonski was presented with a plaque for his 60 years as a member of the club.
 - Bob mentioned some upcoming historical tournaments and activities, including a 35-year anniversary celebration tournament and free pizza party for the membership sometime in August.

5- President report:

- Suhas gave an overview of the operations of the club in the last year.
 - He noticed the success of the Planet Earth and Summer Open Chess Championships, thanking those members who volunteered.
 - He made mention of the purchase of new chess clocks (DGT North American), which are much easier to program and use.
 - He thanked the club's tournament directors and lecturers who work tirelessly throughout the year.
 - He mentioned that wearing masks are still optional until further direction.
 - The President thanked Rick Bauer for conducting the Saturday study group, also thanked Joe, Derek, Nelson and Justin for conducting the training sessions..

5-Vice President's Report

- VP Lisa Smith gave a presentation of the duties that she did in the last year.
 - She was instrumental in helping deliver the food for the club's Christmas party and the Planet Earth event.
 - She has been opening and closing the club on a weekly basis, even writing up a two-page document outlining the instructions on what needs to be done to open and close the club.
 - She organized the storage cart unit and chose the new clocks and labeled them.
 - She has been a very strong leader on the executive committee and thanked her fellow club officers for helping her out in her new role.

6-Treasurer's report.

- USCF NM David Herscovici gave his treasurer's report.
 - o He thoroughly reviewed the financial health of the club in the last twelve months, noting that the club's overall net assets slightly decreased compared to this time last year. He highlighted the healthy financial situation of the Club considering its non-profit status.
 - He said that the membership is at 93, which is an increase of about 25 members compared to the prior fiscal year, mostly due to the increase in students.
 - He mentioned that the new clocks were purchased with an anonymous donor contribution.
 - He said that the club is very blessed to have a warm relationship with the church, which provides us with a nice, spacious, well-lit area, which are ideal playing conditions for our events.

7-Election of Officers. Officers were elected unanimously and unopposed.

- President, Suhas Kodali (unanimously elected)
- Vice President, Justin Lalor (unanimously elected)
- Treasurer, David Herscovici Secretary, (unanimously elected)
- Mario Guevara Rodriguez (unanimously elected)

8- New Business.

- An active member participation brought the following proposals:
 - o The Grand Prix initiative was discussed highlighting the equal weight for the open and other sections in terms of points. Rick Bauer briefly explained how it would work.
 - Ways to make it easier for members to navigate the club's website. It
 was noted that some of the pages of the website are outdated and need
 to be archived.
 - Extending offers to anyone interested in being a training coach. As FM Richard Bauer pointed out, you don't need be a master or an expert to be a lecturer.
 - o Organizing scholastic tournaments throughout the year.
 - o Opening the club earlier for the kids.
 - Reaching out to the community by writing grant proposals for the club to help with our operations.
 - Exploring a new platform for TD software and implementation, moving away from Swissys and into Caissa.
 - Long-term goal of seeking a possible new permanent home exclusively for the club.
 - Club members were grateful to have outgoing Vice President Lisa Smith serve the Club for one year.
- 9- Without more points to discuss the meeting was Adjourned at (8:21PM)