

## NBCC Annual Meeting Minutes 6/12/2018

1. Call to Order 7:15 P.M.
2. Attendance - 30 voting members.
3. Approved minutes of 2017 Mtg
4. Historian report
5. President report:

Several members were acknowledged for the contributions to the club this year. Suhas Kodali for opening the club each week, Gert Hilhorst for maintaining the website, Joe Bihlmeyer for his work with the training classes, and Bob Cyr for putting the NBCC history on the website. Bob was presented with an engraved crystal plaque in recognition for his work.

New this year at NBCC is the use of PayPal and the web-site for tournament entries and collection of dues/fees. PayPal does charge us for this, so we will be adding a \$1.00 shipping charge to cover those costs. Financial health is good, with 94 members, 25 of whom are scholastic players. Compared to last year, this is the same membership at this time, but with 6 more scholastic players.

NBCC has run a variety of events on the weekends, with relatively little participation from the membership. Weekend events will be more geared towards scholastic players in the future. A reminder that Food is not allowed in the main playing area and that players are expected to put sets, clocks and tables away when they finish their games. A suggestion was made to have a signup sheet for players to commit to cleaning up at the end of the evening.

### 6. Open Discussion

A parent expressed interest in recording Joe's lectures with a trail run the next week. Joe was enthusiastic. A NBCC Youtube channel can be created to showcase the videos.

Facebook page for NBCC was brought up, but Norman mentioned that the previous one ran into trouble when it was used by foreigners for non-chess business. Norman emphasized that we need more volunteers to help the club.

Interclub activities, specifically a match between UCONN and NBCC sometime in the future was brought up and explored by Jan.

### 7. Treasurer's report

At present, membership dues do not cover rent. A proposal was made to increase membership from \$60 to \$65 (or two installments of \$35), \$50 for scholastic, \$35 for 65+/hardship/2nd family member. Out-of-state college student was also included in the \$35 rate. .

8. Election of Officers. Officers were elected unanimously. Elected was Norman Burtness, President; Suhas Kodali, Vice President; Laurent Lafosse, Secretary; Gert Hilhorst, Treasurer.

9. New Business. New dues structure was approved with 1 dissenting vote. (See treasurer's report)

10. Adjourn (8:30)