

TCA EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES

Meeting held in Launceston, 20th of November 2016 after the Launceston Cup

OPENED

1256h

PRESENT:

- Ian Little (Vice-president, Secretary, Webmaster)
- David Hughes (Treasurer)
- Kevin Bonham (Ratings officer)
- Martin Friebe (LCC delegate) until 1305h
- Aidan Cox (LCC observer) from 1305h

APOLOGIES:

- Denis McMahon (President)

MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous TCA executive meeting (24th of July 2016) were circulated via e-mail prior to the meeting. No amendments were notified and the minutes were accepted as read and correct.

Matters arising:

As per the agenda no matters arising had been notified.

MOTIONS MOVED IN ADVANCE:

As per the agenda all motions moved in advance by e-mail were carried.

TCA Treasurer, David Hughes, confirmed that a cheque had been drawn up to be presented to Andrew Smith for his winning the Glen Gibbs award. The cheque was passed to Ian Little for delivery to Andrew at the Hobart Chess Club.

Discussion led to the agreement that certain portions of the original agenda remain confidential within the executive and an appropriately redacted version of the agenda and minutes be published for public consumption. As such, the original 4-point motion and all subsequent amendments regarding Andrew Smith's winning the Glen Gibbs award have been removed from the publicly published agenda.

FUND RAISING FOR WILLIAM RUMLEY:

Based on previous discussion between Denis McMahon and Ian Little regarding Andrew Smith's general attitude and availability to play in the 2017 Australian Junior Championships, Ian Little reported that it was Denis's idea and preference that the TCA consider providing financial assistance to Christine and Andrew Rumley for William Rumley's championship appearance. An opening figure

of \$250 was suggested, to be paid to the Rumley's with the TCA recouping funds through fundraisers or other revenue streams in 2017. Broad in principle support was shown for this idea.

Ian Little proceeded to inform the meeting in confidence that he had recently had discussions with Christine Rumley and been made aware of rising tensions between herself and the Junior Chess Officer, Melissa Harvey. Details of the tensions were not discussed in the meeting excepting Christine's want to not exacerbate the situation any further. For this reason Ian Little notified the meeting that any donation should be formulated in such a way that the recipient could, without prejudice, reject the offer discretely.

Resulting discussion led to the comment that the TCA should, by all means necessary, appear to be favouring one junior over another. While this was noted, no appropriate resolution was agreed upon.

All formal motions regarding this matter were postponed until consultation with the Junior Chess Officer and the President could be conducted.

E-MAIL MOTION REGULATIONS

After the lengthy e-mail motion regarding Andrew Smith and the Glen Gibbs award, Kevin Bonham raised the point that long-winded e-mail motions often become unruly and very difficult to manage. While maintaining that a formal motion was not required, the general point that e-mail motions should be kept short and easily debated was made. No formal motion was tabled.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Nil

MEETING CLOSED

1308h