

**Ontario Chess Association  
Annual General Meeting  
May 20 2007  
Thunder Bay**

**A Old Business**

**1. Call to Order  
Attendance**

**Barry Thovardson, Bill Doubleday, John Rutherford, Bob Gillanders and Shawn Geley**

**Proxies**

**Incoming and outgoing: Ceasar Posyluk and Mark Dutton to Barry Thovardson**

**Incoming: Nicholas Varmazis to Barry Thovardson**

**Incoming: John Rutherford proxy to Bill Doubleday**

**2. Reading of Minutes of Last AGM**

**Spelling of Shawn was corrected. Minutes accepted – moved by Geley seconded by Thorvardson; carried.**

**3. President's Report**

**Cdn champ finished with a banquet and award of trophies for top player from each province and top junior and parent of a player. Each player was given a tournament book. There was also an award for blitz champion, patron (Beltzberg). Motion to accept Gillanders seconded by Geley; carried.**

**4. Vice President's Report Barry Shawn carried**

**5. Secretary's Report Bill Doubleday became VP and**

**subsequently president of the CFC. Therefore his role as OCA Secretary was limited.**

## **6. Treasurer's Report**

**OCA had a surplus of \$867 in the current year  
Geley moved the report be accepted Thorvardson seconded.  
Carried adopted**

## **7. Youth Coordinator's Report**

**Moved Thorvardson the report be accepted seconded by Geley  
Passed**

## **8. Special Officers' Reports**

**None**

## **9. League Reports**

**NOCL held 90 tournaments. Chess activity is expanding with new associations CARRD (Chess Assoc. of Rainy River District) and association d'echecs des grandes rivieres (ac705) plus Thunder Bay. Northern Ontario schools championship had 280 participants and 82 qualified for CYCC docs provided . Congratulations from Barry Thovardson , especially for youth activities. NOCL wants to hold the 2012 Ontario open.**

**EOCA 11 tournaments attendance up in most but less in last two. Belleville in August replaced Renfrew EOCA contributed \$1000 to the 2007 Canadian Open.**

**SWOCL Very good tournaments especially in Guelph, Kitchener, St. Catherines, and Niagara falls. Hamilton and Brantford have reduced activities. There are active clubs in London and Sarnia.**

**GTCL Same events as last couple of years most run by Barry Thovardson , one by Larry Bevan and two by Brian Lam.**

## **10. University Report**

**The Canadian University team championship was held in Ottawa OCA loaned clocks and sets. U of Montreal won Ottawa U came second. Next year the championship is in Guelph.**

## **11. Other Business of the Outgoing Board**

**None**

## **12. Ratification of New Members of the Board**

**Hal Bond, Steve Killi, Michael von Keitz, Bob Gillanders, Peter McKillock,**

**John Rutherford and Ellen Nadeau**

**GT to be provided by Barry Thovardson**

**Bill Doubleday, Daryl Bertrand, Herb Langer, Grant Schaper, and Gordon Ritchie**

## **B New Business**

## **13. Election of Officers and Special Officers**

**President - Barry Thorvardson**

**Vice President - Hal Bond, I.A.**

**Youth Coordinator - Patrick MacDonald, I.A.**

**Communications Director - Mark Dutton, I.A.**

**Treasurer - Alice Laimer**

**Alternate slate : proposed by C. Posylek  
Wilf Fernier as VP and M. Barron as Treasurer. Fernier is  
unwilling to serve. Barron is unknown.**

**Barry Thovardson was acclaimed as President  
VP 1. Ferner 7 Bond : Bond elected  
Treasurer : 1 Barron 7 Laimer : Laimer elected  
Sec (comms) Dutton acclaimed  
Youth coordinator: MacDonald acclaimed**

#### **14. Constitutional Change**

- a. To change roles of OCA Governors to be Chess Ambassadors**
- b. To change the number of OCA Governors elected by Leagues, effective at the 2008 OCA AGM to 4 per league**
- c. To change future OCA voting rights for elections starting at the 2008 OCA AGM to be 4 votes for GTCL,SWOCL and EOCA and 2 votes for NOCL voted by the league president or approved delegate. Plus 1 vote for each of the 5 OCA Executive Officers and one additional vote to the OCA President in the event of a tie.**
- d. Future OCA AGM meetings to be held in June of each year at the OCA official office or suitable central meeting place, with facilities to allow telephone and or internet conference or communications capability.**
- e. To designate the Communications Director as the official operating name of he OCA Secretary, notwithstanding the position also acts as Corporate Secretary for corporate or legal purposes.**

**It was agreed to defer discussion of constitutional change to a full governors email vote with 2/3 majority of those voting required for acceptance. Moved by Barry Thovardson seconded by Gillanders. Carried**

## **15. Appointment of Auditor**

**Marlene Sikkema was reappointed auditor.**

## **16. Election or appointment of Governors to the Chess Federation of Canada**

**Gordon Ritchie, Herb Langer, Stijn de Kerpel, Peter Hum (Brian Profit was chosen by EOCA but declined to serve), (also W. Doubleday and Haldor Pallson),**

**Hal Bond, Steve Killi, Michael von Keitz, Bob Gillanders, Peter McKillock,**

**John Rutherford and Ellen Nadeau**

**Barry Thorvardon (OCA pres), Gary Gladstone, Mark Dutton, Nave**

**Starr, Ilya Bluvstein, Michael Barron, Nicholas Varmasis, Ceasar Poseluk, Larry Luiting, Jury Lebedev, Yevchen Molchav + 4 life Martin Jaeger, Maurice Smith, Phil Haley, Masters rep: Eddie Urquart**

**BT moved Bob seconded all in favour**

## **17. Review of chess activity on Ontario and proposed activity for the next fiscal year**

**OCA will have a full slate in summer 2007.**

**After that what happens depends on Trillium.**

**New Trillium award starts October. Barry is optimistic. Not yet approved (Oct. 1). We will need TDs and a communicator to line up schools and do simuls during or after school day.**

**Barry Thovardson is seeking to allocate budget by league. \$180 k in 2007/8 declining subsequent years. Planned \$100 k province wide for tournaments plus \$20 K per league. Salaries plus travel. Arrangements will be negotiated with leagues. Provincial coordinator to visit all regions to train and run first tournament (all youth). Not restricted to youth (also seniors, women last year).  
Want youth to join CFC and be rated.**

**Proposed Break Open Ticket Funding will be submitted. Trillium is start up funding, not ongoing. BOT could establish ongoing funding. Tickets are sold by convenience stores.**

**Barry Thovardson will propose interprovincial team internet matches and intercity team internet matches.**

## **18. Budget**

**Deferred until after Trillium decision. Plan is basic budget \$1 k to each league \$600 to CYCC and \$500 to OYCC will continue. Rest to follow.**

## **19. New Business**

### **a. 2008 Canadian Closed**

**Motion by Barry Thovardson: 2008 is the 400th anniversary of Quebec with possible bid from Quebec for Can closed. OCA strongly supports a bid from Quebec and will offer support such as equipment loans and minimizing tournament conflicts. Seconded by Bob Gillanders. Carried.**

**b. NOCL requests permanent provincial status for CYCC. Barry Thovardson moved that OCA support this and it be proposed at CFC AGM. Seconded by Bob Gillanders. Carried.**

**c. A proposal by Michael Barron to host all future Can junior**

**and Ontario junior tournaments at the Bayview club was deferred to OCA governor discussion and subsequent vote.**

**Adjournment**

**Moved by Bill Doubleday seconded by Bob Gillanders.  
Carried at 10:30**