



Minutes of the 108th Board Meeting of the English Chess Federation (V2)

11:30-12:30 – Saturday 15th October 2016

Britannia Hotel Birmingham, New Street, Birmingham B2 4RX

Present:

Chief Executive, Mike Truran	MT
Director of Finance, David Eustace	DE
Director of Home Chess, Alex Holowczak	AH
Director of International Chess, Malcolm Pein	MP
Director of Junior Chess and Education, Traci Whitfield	TW
Director of Membership, David Thomas	DT
Non-executive Director, Julian Clissold	JC
Non-executive Director, Julie Denning	JD

Invited: Observers and Guests

Chairman, Finance Committee, Tim Herring	TH
Chairman, Governance Committee, Robert Stern	RS
Office Manager and Minutes Secretary, Gary Willson	GW

Apologies:

President, Dominic Lawson	DL
Director designate of Women's Chess, Sarah Longson	SL
Company Secretary, John Philpott	JP
Junior Directorate Finance Manager, Christelle Hafstad	CH

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were noted.

2. Approve chair. JC to be approved.

JC was formally approved as chair for the meeting.

3. Move to approve the agenda

The agenda, previously distributed, was approved.

4. Minutes of Board meeting 107 held on 30th August 2016

- (a) Approval

The minutes as published were approved.

- (b) Redaction

Draft minutes have been published.

- (c) Matters arising

Nil.

5. To note E-mail votes taken since the last Board meeting

Nil.

Annual General Meeting

6. Management of the AGM agenda (JC)

The Board carried out a final review of the five year financial projections and the Finance Director's supporting paper and confirmed that it was appropriate that these be presented to

Council as the Board's proposed direction of travel for ratification at next April's Finance Council meeting.

Concern was expressed that we may not have published an up to date proxy list on the website, as in previous AGMs. Should any Council members claim to have any proxy votes over and above the most up to date list, they should be referred to RS. The line will be to believe the Council member, but to follow up after the meeting, if the closeness of voting required it.

7. Proposed tellers (JP)

It was agreed to propose Chris Majer and David Gilbert as tellers.

8. Applications for membership and changes to the voting register (JP)

As far as we can tell, the published list includes all previously agreed council members.

9. Election procedures (JC)

It was agreed that the elections needed to take place in good time, so that tellers had adequate time to perform a count without undue pressure.

Other Business

10. AOB (to be notified to the chair after item 2)

The Board understood that a number of expressions of interest had been made concerning the UKCC; it seemed likely that the event would continue.

Julie gave the Board an update on her visit to the office, and confirmed there was just enough space in her view to store the books in the extra downstairs room. The Board confirmed it was content to proceed with the plan to rent the extra room.

11. Date and venue of next Board Meeting

Fri 25th November 2016, in London.