

**Minutes of the 149th Board Meeting of the English Chess Federation
Wednesday July 13 2022 at 6.30pm on Zoom**

Directors:

Director of Finance, Adam Ashton		AA
Director of Events, Shohreh Bayat		SB
Director of Junior Chess, Alex Holowczak		AH
President, Dominic Lawson	Apologies	DL
Director of Women's Chess, Aga Milewska		AM
Director of International Chess, Malcolm Pein		MP
Director of Home Chess, Nigel Towers		NT
Chief Executive, Mike Truran		MT
Director of Membership, Rob Willmoth		RW

Non-executive Chairman, Julian Clissold		JC
Non-executive Director, Natasha Regan	Apologies	NR
Non-executive Director, Stephen Woodhouse	Apologies	SW

Invited: Observers and Guests

Andrii Baryshpolets (part)		AB
Peter Heine Nielsen (part)		PHN
Chairman, Governance Committee, Robert Stern		RS
Chairman, Finance Committee, Nick Faulks		NF
Meetings Secretary, Danny Rosenbaum		DR

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were noted as above.

2. FIDE Presentation (AB, PHN)

AB who was a candidate to be FIDE President and PH (standing to be his deputy) presented their thoughts on FIDE and the forthcoming presidential election. They then answered wide-ranging questions from Board members.

3. Minutes of 148th Board Meeting

The minutes of the 148th Board meeting were approved nem con.

4. Future Meetings Format (JC)

It was agreed that JC would draft a calendar of Board meetings. JC noted that some Board members had difficulty attending during the day and that there did not appear to be an ideal day of the week. The Board agreed that each year there should be regular shorter meetings held on Zoom with a standard agenda and a few longer meetings face to face. The Zoom meetings would be held on a mix of Tuesday and Wednesday nights. There would be no meetings scheduled in August and December.

AP 149/01 JC to draft a calendar of Board meetings.

Date and time of the next meeting: TBA

