



**Minutes for the
Annual Business Meeting of the Idaho Chess Association**

February 14, 2021

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Online Zoom Meeting

Link: [Constitution](#)

Voting members attending the meeting:

- Jeff Price
- Jeff Roland
- Barry Eacker
- Adam Porth
- Jay Simonson
- Desmond Porth

Call to Order and [Pledge of Allegiance](#):

Adam Porth, Idaho Chess Association (ICA) President, called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm.

Reading of Mission and Values: The mission of the Idaho Chess Association is to provide organized chess play, coordinate chess activities within the state, support and develop local chess clubs, encourage player development, and enhance appreciation of chess. The Idaho Chess Association values fair play and good sportsmanship, education through sharing and teaching, chess players with diverse abilities and skills, creating a variety of chess activities and opportunities, decisions using sound logic and forethought, and continued growth and learning through chess.

Approval of Minutes

Motion 2021-1 (Adam Porth): motion to waive reading of the minutes of 2020

2nd (Barry Eacker)

Jeff Price asked if we need more people present to make decisions. We checked Constitution for quorum definition. With only Jef Leifeste absent, quorum was decided to be the four board members present.

Passed unanimously.

Presidents Report: Adam Porth

- 23 [Events](#) (628) 5 fewer events
 - 6 Scholastic Events (players 394) 3 fewer events
- 72 players qualified for State

I want to honor those that worked hard and admire the diversity of winners: [Champions](#)

- Idaho Representatives:
 - Rockefeller Kaustubh Kodahalli
 - Barber: James Wei
 - Denker: Jacob Nathan
 - Senior: Michael Presutti

- State Champion: Jacob Nathan
- Open Champion: James Wei
- State Blitz Champion: Caleb Kircher
- EIO Kaustubh Kodahalli
- SIO James Wei
- Norman Friedman Memorial Arun Dixit
- WIO Forrest Zeng
- NIO James Wei
- Player's Memorial Seth Machakos and Peter Olsoy
- Summer Classic Forrest Zeng

Membership Report: Adam Porth

- Membership is currently 55
- Premium memberships 18
- Membership is down by 41 members!

Current Fee Structure and President's Budget Report: Adam Porth

ICA Regular Membership for all \$15.00/year (37)

- Titled tournaments require (Blitz Championship, Idaho Closed, Idaho Open)
- \$5 Discount to all tournaments (if pre-registered) and others as posted.

ICA Premium Membership \$35/year (18)

- Discount to titled tournaments (if pre-registered) and others as posted.
- Northwest Chess Magazine

Treasurer's Report: Adam Porth

Thank donors (check with Alise)

- Joyce Friedman
- Adam Porth
- Marc Friedman
- Anonymous donor \$100
- Any others?

We switched from Idaho Credit Union to USBank in July. Balance as of 12/14/2021: \$2808.23

PayPal Balance

\$765.16 USD

Available

Transfer Money

Today's PayPal balance

Account Summary

[Available balance](#) today, 1:19 p.m.

\$2,043.07

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Date	Description	Check #	Deposits	Withdrawals	Account Balance
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Old Business: Adam Porth

- Find pgn player that can be used with our website (ChessBase Viewer)
 - [Chess Micro base](#)
 - Lot's of discussion over historical games. Jeff has pgn's to share with Adam as well as an archive of over 3000 games of his from his first recorded game on. Adam gave a tour of pgn viewer and it was clearly an underutilized resource. Barry wants certain games and players highlighted.
- Compile items need to be accomplished yearly (not completed)
- Obtain ICA membership perks (not completed)

New Business:

Discussion When do we open? When is it covid safe?

Check the State Department of Health. (Jay and Jeff)

Temp. check on the entrance. (Barry)

Alcohol spray, hand sanitizer, gloves (Adam)

Discussion of what people are doing now with the consensus that we should open over-the-board play in June. Barry thought March. Details can be worked out later once the state okays us for OTB play.

Action Item: Adam will check with Health Department of Idaho.

Motion 2021-2. (Adam Porth) Over the board will return in June.

2nd (Jay Simonson)

Passed unanimously.

Tournament Discussions:

- Locations of 2021 (not discussed)
 - Summer Classic
 - Player's Memorial
 - Hall of Fame
 - Idaho Closed
 - Idaho Open
 - State Scholastic K-8
 - State Scholastic 9-12
 - Women's and Girls State Tournament
 - Senior Tournament
 - Scholastic Team Tournament
 - Blitz Championship
 - Scholastic Team Championship

Elections

Motion 2021-3 (Adam Porth): Announce candidates for 2021-2023 Officers: Adam Porth - President, Jeff Roland - Vice President, None - Treasurer, None - Secretary

2nd (Jay Simonson)

Jeff Price asked about the Constitutionality of having so few voting members present.

Voting members were defined and Jay pointed out that even the ICC gets less than 10%

of voting members to its annual meetings. Jeff Roland indicated that our participation is about the same as Washington's, and Josh Sinan does a great job. Adam calculated that 6 is definitely near 10% of our current membership.

Motion 2021-4 (Jay Simonson) Vote for acceptance of slate as presented.

2nd (Jeff Price)

Unanimously passed.

Appointing Jeff Price as Treasurer.

Motion 2021-5 (Adam Porth) Put forth Jeff Price as Treasurer.

2nd (Jeff Roland)

Someone suggested we confirm him today as we had all the board members present.

Unanimously passed.

[Link to Ballots](#) (not needed)

2021 Regional Trustees (next cycle is 2022):

- East Jay Simonson
- South Central Barry Eacker
- West (vacant)
- North Adam Porth

Board Appointments:

- Membership Coordinator - none
- Online Coordinator - none (Jef resigned)
- Jeff Price (Treasurer)

Staff

- Social Media Coordinator none
- Historian Jeff Roland
- Games Editor Jeff Roland & Adam Porth

Motions from the Floor:

Adam suggested Alise Pemsler should be nominated to Hall of Fame due to her dedication to the ICA. Jeff Roland said Craig Barrett should be placed into Hall of Fame due to his hard work with the scholastics and other Gem State Clubs. He will be put forward when the time comes.

Barry wanted discussion: Buckendorf Library. Barry would like to ensure that Idaho chess history is preserved into perpetuity as he has 100s of boxes of chess materials, books, and periodicals from players that have died. This information should be made available to folks. We need a physical location for this. Adam suggested a contract arrangement with the ICA. Jeff Price suggested an alternative or subsidiary organization be formed.

Action Item: Adam will investigate Historical Society suggestions.

Adam will investigate contract formation for preservation.

Jef Leifeste's letter of resignation presented to the Board by Adam.

Motion 2021-5 (Jeff Roland) Motion to end the meeting.

2nd (Barry Eacker)

Unanimously passed.

Adjournment: meeting end 3:50 pm