GCA Meeting Minutes 6-18-18

Red Lobster, Tucker, GA

Present: Thad Rogers, Amrita Kumar, David Hater, Parnell Watkins, Keith Sewell, Michael Muzquiz

Meeting Called to Order at 7:02 PM

Previous minutes approved pending removal of names.

#### **Old Business:**

NGTOC: Ingrid Guo is representative for tournament.

#### **New Business**

Recommendation is made that if GCA does not have at least 5 months preparation time for a tournament, then the tournament should not be held. Bid for tournament should be finalized in no less than 4 months.

Question is raised if player needs to have played in a tournament in Georgia within the previous 12 months to qualify for certain tournaments.

Plaques for Girl's Championship are in and Parnell will pick them up.

Question is raised regarding what role GCA will play in outsourced tournaments.

Discussion held about the need for more volunteers to hold GCA-hosted tournaments.

Board discussed methods for determining nominations for Polgar and NGTOC tournaments. Board member proposes establishing rules to make these determinations.

GA Women's Open champion (adult/scholastic) goes to US Women's Open in Las Vegas. The winner of tournament this October goes to Las Vegas. Only scholastic winner goes to NGTOC.

Highest-rated scholastic player goes to Polgar.

Suggestion made that Polgar tournament player should be by nomination.

Three qualification mechanisms should be in place.

Polgar nomination for 2019 will be determined by highest rated in the month of May for the state of GA.

Women's Champion of GA in 2019 will go to US Open in Las Vegas.

Georgia Class will be held in the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in November at Emory. Dave Hater will TD.

Motion made that for 2018, Polgar nomination will be determined by highest rated in the month of May for the state of GA.

- Motioned seconded.
- Motion passed unanimously

Recommendation made that for next meeting board should have matrix of all tournaments and put names with all of them.

# **OPEN EVENTS**

Senior champ in October 2018 will be our representative for the Senior Tournament of Champions.

Board discussed directing issues, etc. that took place at State Championship

Discussion held about holding the Georgia Open in Valdosta.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Old bank accounts will close.

Board decides that paying for independent audit of GCA account may be too expensive.

Board member recommends Michael Mulford to audit GCA account.

GCA funds down to \$52,000 because \$10,000 given out in prizes. Still have \$25,000 in expenses.

# GENERAL

Board decides to decline Mark Taylor's request to borrow GCA Chess Life library.

Next meeting will be held at The Village Corner Restaurant on June 17.

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 pm.