



London Chess Club

Kiwanis Seniors' Community Centre
78 Riverside Drive, London ON

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MISSION STATEMENT

"The London Chess Club strives to empower all skill levels, enrich lives, and enhance our community by providing a safe environment, fostering respect, encouragement, and skill developing, forming bonds through a shared love of chess."

MEASUREABLE GOALS

- Ensure club seating capacity, review each quarter
- Ensure leadership and administration have the resources that they need
- Seek opportunities to support youth chess
- Seek opportunities to support London community
- Define the number of active, classical, blitz events each year, and record participation
- Effectively communicate to all members
- Expand technology
- Hold CFC-rated tournaments



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Meeting was held on **Tuesday, Jan 9th 2024, 6:00PM – 7:00PM**. Mike Harris ran the meeting and took minutes; all board members and members of the executive committee were present.

1) APPROVE MINUTES for DECEMBER 12 2023

ACTION: Approved minutes will be published to the website

2) PRESIDENT / VP Report – How can the BOD Help

Noise Protocol..going well, Social Media

Hardik to talk to Michelle about Social Media Sites:

Facebook (Brian Morgan) & X Account, Instagram)

To Support Social Media, we needed a Stable Email Address to Promote Club etc.

ACTION ITEM:

Michal to create welcome@londonchess.ca , add to Website and share with Michelle for Social Media Contacts

Discuss using welcome@londonchess.ca for ETransfer Deposits (Membership / Tournament Fees) but the LCC Bank Account might be subject to ETransfer Deposit Fees. We will need to revisit streaming LCC "Money-In' Process. In the meantime Gregory and Gerry to develop a Hardcopy Form to Monitor (audit) Cash Deposits (and perhaps Electronic Deposits)

ACTION ITEM:

Gregory & Gerry to develop a Form / Process to Organize Tournament & Membership Fees.

SUGGESTION:

Michal suggested having prize cash prizes be put in an envelope - a little more professional etc.

ACTION: Can we get some envelopes!

Gregory: Provided "Protocol for Blitz / Tournament Registration" (Attached)

The goal is to aid the Tournament Director with the Registration Process.

ACTION:

Everyone kindly review the attached Protocol...share thoughts at next month's meeting.

Discuss Club vs Club Events. Hardik will be organizing UWO vs LCC Event.

Talked about looking for other Clubs to Challenge!

3) Tournament Director Report – How can the BOD Help

Ryan, do you want to Play in the Tournaments?



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Any thoughts of Adding CFC Tournaments to the Schedule?

ACTION ITEMS:

Steve – to help organize / make a date for possible a CFC Rated Tournament.

Leroy might be able to add some guidance

Edgar to Find out about Costs for Renting the Gym for the Day.

Collecting Emails:

To help update LCC Members we will be Collecting Emails. Michal / Ryan to update Website with Email Address. *I believe Michal will be developing a Tool to push announcements from the Website.*

Talked about providing backup for Organizing / Running Tournaments etc. The goal would be able help Ryan, giving Ryan the opportunity to play chess!

EDGAR:

Club Championship Trophy – Edgar to Purchase \$345.10

APPROVED \$345.10 – Club Championship Trophy

Consider Getting...DGT Board & DGT CLOCK – Talk about next month. Michal to investigate.

I am also curious about CLIO – Cheaper Solution (Maybe Better!?)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MaEQHqKLUsk>

4) Treasury Report (Attached)

Are all \$\$\$ owed by members paid?

Good Report...

ACTION ITEMS:

Edgar is still owed Club Funds – Edgar to reconcile with Gerry

Edgar to get an Invoice from City to understand GYM Rental Costs.

5) LONDONCHESS.CA – Michal to provide update, and expenses.

New Site is Up and Running. Looks Amazing

UNDER MEMBERSHIP: Can we add: **FIRST VISIT FREE**

Awesome Job Michal

Looks Great on PC & IPHONE! Leroy did you have a different experience

\$22 / month - \$65 Development / \$100....

VERSION 2.2 – Ryan Functions / Layout Updates Etc.

ACTION ITEM: Michal – when ready reconcile costs / expenses with Gerry



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MEMBERS please review Website and provide thoughts/feedback.

- 6) Leroy – Thoughts/Benefits of adding CFC to Club Membership
Next Time: Did not get to this in time.

- 7) NEW BUSINESS

Gerry Template for Next Years Chess Championship