

Oregon High School Chess Team Association

Chess + High School + Teamwork = Excitement!

2024 OHSCTA State Tournament - Association Meeting

March 1, 2024

Present - Nancy Keller (Coquille) Elijah Humbird (Grant Union); Dennis Chang (OES); Kevin Stewart (Sherman County); Randy Smolensky (S. Umpqua); Al Kato (Jesuit); Jon Nuxoll (Marist); Shawn Shelley (Junction City); Maureen Kenny (Lincoln); Mike Myers (Willamette); Jeff Dobbins (Treasurer)

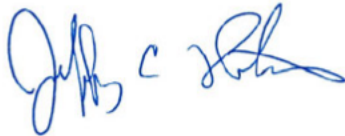
1. Annual report of the Association given by the Executive Director

Discussed planning of the tournament, and issues presented in developing the tournament site, planning, and other issues. Announced that next year's site is already figured out - S. Umpqua

- a. Treasurer's report
 - i. J. Dobbins reported before the tournament last year there was \$1278 in the account; at this point we have \$1551.22. This is about the difference between the anticipated costs of website management (which we ended up not accumulating). Slight loss anticipated last year, but did not pan out because of no internet fees.
 - ii. J. Dobbins shared the treasurer's report - historical data review as well.
 - b. Website information
 - i. J. Dobbins explained that OSCF is transitioning away from GoDaddy hosting. OHSCTA will need to extract the OHSCTA site from inside the OSCF site - he will continue to pursue that process, and anticipates it costing ~\$350 for technical
 - ii. OHSCTA google groups seem OK. Issue with student organizers - add to the group, or maybe set up a special
2. League reports
 - a. Portland? Lincoln - Jesuit - OES - Westview - but no regular meetings.
 - b. Midwestern - Mike M. - good results; Caleb Kesey will be PHill's coach this last year. They had 6 local HS and 2 open teams made of individuals from elsewhere. They had a preseason tournament, then a Round robin. Willamette - Marist - Junction City
 - c. South Coast - Coquille - Myrtle Point, Bandon, Coos Bay others. She wants to try and bring teams next year.
 - d. NO Central Oregon league, but there is some action in Bend and Redmond - sometimes there will be people playing in Bethel Quads, etc.
 - e. Southern OREGON - Sutherlin may be playing as well. Randy S. has a lead on a coach.
 3. Tournament issues
 - a. A little chaotic on the tables; dennis did nicely trying to fit in as best possible
 - b. Maybe a way to move things around a little bit. Dennis will try to tweak in the morning.

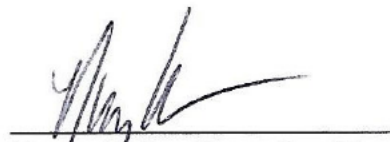
- c. One complaint about observers not being vulcan-like. JC - they have a lot of teams around. Familiarity with routine will help.
 - d. N. May no longer available as TD; large tournaments (up to 200) Local tournament up to 120 with computer. Talked with USCF about it -they are OK with some flexibility.
 - e. Would be good to have a Senior TD if possible.
4. Committee reports
- a.
5. Tournament Organizer's report
- a. Will be some things they can do to create a little extra space.
6. Elections
- a. Executive Director - N. Keller
 - b. Treasurer - J. Dobbins - Jeff Dobbins asked that someone replace him as Treasurer. Nancy Keller, as executive director, has authority to do so on her own, and suggested Eva Williams, and the Association nominated and agreed that Eva Williams will serve as treasurer starting in 2024.
 - c. Secretary - A. Carlton (Pacific)
7. Amendments to the Constitution / Bylaws
8. Tournament date and potential site for the following year's tournament
- a. Date - Avoid the early spring? Sports get in the way. SO it's a good interim space to be in. Hard to go later.
 - b. Sites -- Randy Smolensky agreed that S. Umpqua is ready to host in 2025.
9. Other items of interest to the members: The treasurer, treasurer-elect, secretary, and Executive Director agreed to allow the relevant officers to take appropriate steps to move the location of OHSCTA banking in order to improve accessibility and ease of use; in particular, the organization's bank accounts can be moved from US Bank to appropriate banks nearby the officers, including First Community Credit Union.

True and Accurate



Jeff Dobbins, Treasurer

OR



Nancy Keller, Executive Director