



**FEDERACIÓN INTERNACIONAL DE AJEDREZ
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Minutes of CCA Continental Assembly Meeting
Batumi, Georgia, 02 – 03 October 2018

The Secretary General welcomed everyone to the CCA General Assembly 2018 in Batumi and thank all for their presence.

Board Members: President Jorge Vega (GUA & BOL), Deputy President Darcy Lima BRA, General Secretary Russell Smith TTO, Treasurer Allan Herbert BAR, Member Ricardo Dos Ramos SUR, Member Fidel Gonzalez VEN, Member Alfonso Naranjo COL excused.

Delegates: Hal Bond CAN, Juan Carlos Mundaca CHI, Carol Pesqueira-Williams ARU, Jonathan Carvajal CRC, Boris Ascue PER, Enrique Celi URU, Michael Khodarkovsky USA, Margaret Murphy USVI, Mario Barajas MEX, Jose C Pujol PAN, Ronald Zarza PAR, Mario Petrucci ARG, Sonja Johnson TTO, Pedro Dominguez DOM, Andrea M. Harris BER, Elton Joseph BAH, Luis P. Carrillo COL, Michell Fayad AHO, Erick Hernandez ESA, Juan C Hernandez HON, James Bond GUY, , Ian Wilkinson JAM, Francisco Cruz PUR.

Presidents and/or Observers: Alejandro Lara GUA, Ulises Hernandez VEN, Rohan Waithe BAR, Juan Collantes PAN, R Reyes PAN, Sam Sloan USA, Sofia Martinez MEX, Emilio Bastidas ECU, Jaime Bastidas ECU, Franz Lokim Lin SUR, Caroline Ramdin SUR, Jorge Silva COL, Bernard Labadie CAN, Yolander Persaud GUY, Serafin Chuit CUB, Julio Mejia COL, Uvenio Blanco VEN, Damaris Gonzalez CHI, Carol Myer USA, Grant O USA, Nick Faulks BER, Ruth Haring USA, Bernardo Roselli URU, Alan Borda BOL, Alexis Augaustis URU, Allen Priest USA. Philippe Chatelain HAI, Carlos Rivero CUB, Seymore Smith ANT.

A quorum was established and the meeting proceeded.

The president Mr. Vega was given the floor and Mr. R. Waithe was kind to facilitate translation. The president Mr. Vega welcomed everyone to the last CCA assembly of the period 2014-2018, especially the new faces, and naturally a cordial greeting to all those who he is familiar with.

With this meeting we culminate a working cycle, a new administration will enter into effect tomorrow, it has been a lot of hard work over the last 4 years, we would not have been able to do this without the help of our hard working member federations. In this period we faced difficult times as a result of the world economic climate and the grave financial crises which we faced in FIDE since 2015, this fortunately we have overcome, more details can be found in my report that was published on our CCA website, this assembly will only deal with issues pertaining to CCA, any matter pertaining to the FIDE general elections will be dealt with by the FIDE general assembly tomorrow, this is out of the agenda, only federation presidents or delegates can address the floor, spectators have no right to participate, if not we will never end the session with so many items to discuss.



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President Vega presented diplomas of recognition to:

GM Silvino Garcia who has served 50 years with the CUBA fed, and he hope will continue contributing to chess, in his absence he invited the new president of the CUB Fed. to do the honors in receiving this token of appreciation on Silvino's behalf.

On behalf of the CCA the president invited Mr. M. Petrucci president of the ARG Fed. to receive a recognition for ARGENTINA being a temporary seat for FIDE during the period of the Second World War 1936-1946 and another recognition to Villa Martelli School ARG that has been a model during all its existence.

Confirmation of the Minutes by Secretary General:

The 2017 CCA general assembly meeting minutes held in CRC were reviewed and confirmed.

Treasurer Report by Mr. Allan Herbert stated:

You have my report in print form, the first item is the statement for income and expenditure ending December 21, 2017, which included comparisons with 2016 explained by Mr. Herbert.

The CCA is the only continental body that does not receive income for Feds. annual subscription fees but only from tournament registration fees.

The CCA development projects consume the majority of our funds, these include Tournament Travel Grants for players, Arbiters and Int. Organizers Seminars for administrators, the office of the president expenses and Tournament Rebates especially for Feds category 3, 4 and 5 such as the Panam Youth in CRC 2017.

We have two bank accounts, one in UBS linked to FIDE account and another Banamex in Mexico which is managed by the president office, the CCA board has taken the decision to open an offshore account in RBC Royal Bank of Canada in Barbados.

The issue of delayed payment of tournament fees was raised by Celi reference to the award of tournaments, Allan indicated it was an important point, Vega indicated we should not permit systematic defaults by federations to avoid problems in the future.

The Treasurer report was approved and the treasurer was discharged of his responsibilities.

President Report by Mr. Jorge Vega:

Fortunately the economic crisis from 2015 has been overcome, we have continued with our rhythm of work in CCA without affecting the development work.

He recognized the work accomplished by Allan Herbert president of the Developmental Commission.

There was an increase in participation in all events except for a decrease in the U20 which should be addressed in the future.



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The CCA continues to work in black numbers even during the crisis. But we observe the debts of Feds are increasing year after year. In some cases the registration fees of foreign players are retained for administrative purposes.

Vega thank our Webmaster IA Santiago Garcia who is not well and under treatment, he will like to recognize his work on the Web and Online Seminars.

He also wished the new executive lots of success and thanked all.

A proposal was made to have the information on the CCA website bilingual. This cost will be considered and discussed with the treasurer.

The president report was accepted.

Events by General Secretary Mr. R Smith:

I have presented a more elaborated and detailed Format for Bid for Events to enable us to compare bids under the same criteria and improve the conditions of the events.

A lengthy explanation was given about the new format which was accepted and approved by the assembly.

A request was made to have a review of proposals one year before the event as the bids are two years prior, this is due to the possibility of changes the host did not foresee.

An event commission was suggested. The issue of penalties for none attendance of players at events has the difficulty of collection of the penalty.

Allan was not sure how long can we continue not to request a performance bond for events especially due to cancelation of an event (force majeure) with attendees' airfare having been paid.

Calendar of Events:

The dates and cities for 2018 events were updated and confirmed.

Due to the length of time remaining the Secretary General will contact the Feds directly to update and confirm the 2019 events. The bids for the NA Youth 2019 will be decided tomorrow. Bids for 2020 will be decided also tomorrow.

The meeting was adjourned for 03 October 2018 immediately after FIDE Election and Assembly.



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The Secretary General resumed the meeting 3 October at 5:00pm

The 2020 Events were put to the floor for bid and were awarded; some other events not requested will be decided at the CCA Board meeting in January 2019.

Bermuda requested the Carifta 2021 with 9 rounds, the assembly approved it and the Carifta regulations shall be amended for 9 rounds.

The president took the floor and indicated that in the CCA there is only one electoral ticket, therefore there is no need to have an election as in FIDE, all of you know the ticket that has been presented and was circulated. In this case all we request is the assembly approval of the ticket that has been presented and if you have any comments.

Several Federations congratulated the incumbents for the last four years of work for which they were pleased. Congratulations to Mr. Vega the father figure who has guided America over many years.

Congratulations to GM Granda for his success in FIDE presidential ticket.

The proposal to work towards inclusion of chess in the South American games continues.

Vega will like to thank the outgoing board for all the work done and specially welcome the new members to the Board, surely we shall carry forward the work we have been doing in the continent.

With reference to the Arcady plan mentioned by Fidel Gonzalez, Vega indicated; I am aware of the working plan, as CCA is autonomous we shall analyze it and of course all that is convenient for America we shall implement.

For the new 4 year term of the FIDE Executive board Vega proposed:

Arch. Eduardo Miele ECU - Mrs. Margaret Murphy USVI - Eng. Mario Petrucci ARG
Mr. Michel Fayad of AHO.

The New CCA Board was accepted and confirmed by the Assembly. It comprises:

President: IA Jorge Vega GUA
Deputy President: GM Darcy Lima BRA
Secretary General: Arch. Russell Smith TTO
Treasurer: Eng. Allan Herbert BAR
Member: FA Ricardo Dos Ramos SUR
Member: Eng. Luis P Carrillo COL
Member: FI. IO Ronald Zarza PAR



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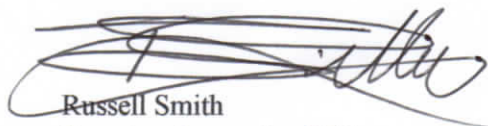
Mr. Chatelain HAI wanted to know what form of redress existed within the CCA against it's President or Board. Mr. Vega explained that there is the FIDE Presidential and Executive Board and the Ethics Commission for complaints and arbitration. In the next 4 years we shall not have elections and I am sure we shall have a good relationship and support.

Mr. Priest USA, many of you may have historical baggage with the USA, we can help the Continent, we do hope to be a more participating partner, our doors are open, and look forward to the next 4 years.

Mr. Rivero CUB invites all to players the famous Capablanca Tournament 8 – 20 May 2019 in Havana.

Mr. Vega indicated with this the meeting has ended. Thank all once again. The Zone presidents shall be elected immediately after this meeting.

Sincerely



Russell Smith
Secretary General - CCA

The elected Zone Presidents are:

- 2.1 WIM Ruth Haring USA
- 2.2 IA, IO Hal Bond CAN
- 2.3 IA Erick Hernandez ESA
- 2.4 FM Alan Borda BOL
- 2.5 Mr. Enrique Celi URU