



**FEDERACIÓN INTERNACIONAL DE AJEDREZ
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Minutes of CCA Continental Assembly Meeting
Baku, Azerbaijan – 10th September 2016.

Board Members: Jorge Vega – President (GUA & MEX), Darcy Lima – Vice President (BRA), Russell Smith – Gen Secretary (TTO), Allan Herbert – Treasurer (BAR), Ricardo Dos Ramos – Exec Member (SUR), Fidel Gonzalez – Exec Member (VEN).

Delegates: Luis Requena PUR, Eduardo Benitez PAR, Carol Williams ARU, Alan Borda BOL, Mauricio Castro CRC, Sonja Johnson TTO, Nelson Castillo ESA, Enrique Celi URU & DOM, Hal Bond CAN, Andre White BAH, Micheal Khodarkovsky USA, Irshad Mohamad GUY, Carol Jarecki IVB, Margaret Murphy, Mauricio Petrucci ARG, Luis Perez COL, Larry Ebbin BUR, Juan Mundaca CHI, Michel Fayad AHO, Jean Lamothe HAI, Boris Ascue PER, Jose Carillo PAN, Ian Wilkinson JAM, Guy Bendana NCA, Hector Mejias HON. Emilio Bastidas ECU.

Participants: Anibal Lara GUA, Serafin Chuit CUB, Eduardo Mieles ECU, Dr. Guillermo Isidor CUB, Dalo Jarrsor USVI, Sam Sloan USA, Yolander Persaud GUY, Erick Hernandez ESA, Ruth Haring USA.

The General Secretary opened the meeting and welcomed everyone to the Continental Assembly in Baku. Mr. Vega was excused due to an urgent meeting and would not reach on time for the beginning, VP Darcy Lima was given the floor to address the assembly.

Darcy requested the roll call, there were 30 delegates and 3 proxies. Therefore we have a quorum for the meeting.

The General Secretary presented the minutes for confirmation of the CCA 2015 Continental Assembly in Cali. There were no comments and the minutes were confirmed.

We passed on to the second item of the agenda, the CCA 2016 Board meeting minutes in Peru.

There were no comments.



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Mr. Vega arrived and excused himself for being late due to an important meeting. He presented his 2016 presidential report which was circulated. As president he indicated he was very active visiting many federations in the continent, he also visited FIDE offices on 4 occasions to discuss issues with the FIDE Deputy President, the calendar of events for 2015 was completed with only minor issues which were resolved, the 2017 calendar of events is also fully booked and only two events had to be rebooked.

Vega indicated the finances in CCA are still healthy, there were temporary problems with FIDE and CCA UBS accounts but this was quickly resolved. He hope that the present problems experienced by Mr. Iljumzjinov would soon be solved, we are monitoring the situation.

He thanked the FIDE Deputy, Continental Board Members and Federation Presidents for the support and help in our task.

The floor was then given to our treasurer Allan Herbert to present the budget and accounts; he gave a broad overview of the finances emphasizing the cuts made by FIDE to this year Developmental Commission Budget.

For the 2016 Budget expenditure was projected to be \$315.00 higher than income. For 2015 there was a surplus of \$535.00 in Income/Expenditure.

Allan will be looking at the travel grant for the world youth which will be held in our continent in 2017. This may impact on the normal grants given to the Continental Youth Festival.

The treasurer proposed to open another CCA Bank Account, the president concurred because the UBS account was temporary blocked, it was agreed to open another CCA account in Barbados to be sure all funds are not blocked again. Mr. Wilkinson indicated he was surprised because he was not aware that the CCA account was temporarily blocked.

The treasurer report was approved by the assembly and the treasurer was discharged from further responsibilities for 2015.

President Vega thanked Allan for all the excellent work over the years as CCA treasurer. He indicated that next year will be a difficult one due to the cuts by FIDE and lower income from tournaments; we may have to revise the budget for 2018.



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The meeting had a break for 15 minutes and resumed with the next topic; the CCA Regulations.

Mr. Vega indicated that all these regulations were circulated months ago, and we shall discuss any proposals that were presented in writing only. If there were not any comments then we can consider them approved and move on. There were no fundamental changes proposed to the Regulations.

The New Statutes, General Regulations for Tournaments, Financial Regulations and update to the Bid Format for events were approved and shall be in force from 01 January 2017, the tournament individual regulations were approved, we shall use the format according to the Panam Youth and U20 models for re-packaged by Mr. Jarret to be in force from 01 January 2018.

We want to thank those who participated in the packaging and reform of the regulations especially Mr. Jarret.

VP Lima announced all the individual events for 2017 which were confirmed by the host of each federation present.

The Gen Secretary then proposed all the 2018 CCA events for bid, bids were received for all the events, and they were discussed, decided and approved, the demand for events by the federations was very strong, which shows that our continent is very vibrant, the list of events and host for 2018 will soon be published on the CCA website.

Other matters:

VP Darcy asked if there were any other matters and the General Secretary asked to make some comments.

The Gen Secretary indicated he will like to see a greater participation by the America's delegates at the FIDE Commissions meetings during the Olympiads or Congress, with articulated matters to be discussed that maybe of interest to the Americas, maybe we need a stronger structure at committee level to present cases and defend our interest at FIDE as Mr. Vega has been carrying on this individually for us, also there could be a need to have someone or a committee in CCA that can attend to any minor disputes within the continent or federations before it escalates to FIDE. Some burdens should not fall on our president to handle. It is obvious some can become politically delicate issues.

Mr Vega emphasized that he can handle all the major problems in FIDE for our continent



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Mr. Wilkinson requested to address the floor on the status of FIDE President. Mr. Vega agreed that the issue should be discussed for clarification only, but no political decisions will be made here, decisions will be left for the general assembly.

Mr. Wilkinson presented his motion, the subject was ventilated and left for the FIDE Assembly to decide.

Mr. Vega thanked Mr. Wilkinson. He also thanked all present again, and requested the meeting to be closed.

Baku 10th September 2016.

IA Russell Smith
General Secretary - CCA