Executive Summary:

The board discussed approaches to more efficiently and effectively manage board of directors activities. The board also received updates on the progress of the membership management system, the National Go Center, Go Congress 2019, and upcoming international go events in which the AGA will have a role. The board will focus in the next month on developing priorities in order to create a 5-year plan for AGA development and related long-term projects.

AGA Board Meeting Minutes 02/10/2019

In Attendance

Samantha Fede (secretary) Martin Lebl (chair) Steve Colburn Lisa Scott Chris Saenz Paul Celmer Gurujeet Khalsa Chris Kirschner Andy Okun (president)

Meeting called to order at 8:02pm EST.

• Approve minutes

Paul moves to approve January minutes, Lisa seconds, unanimous, minutes approved.

• President's report

- 1. We agreed on dates and basic outline for EGF vs. AGA pros, and all of our pros have agreed to attend (the online event). Working on details now.
- 2. There are some new IMSA tournaments I've been made aware of, similar to Mindgames we've had in the past where there are teams from each major go playing country. No details yet, but have dates now.
- 3. As you know, I have become the IGF's antidoping officer. The first thing is that IGF needs to come up with a short risk assessment including what the game entails and where there might be a risk of doping. Most of the work on this issue has been done in the Chess world. Does anyone have any experience in this sort of field?

Chris: There are some drugs that are prescribed to older individuals that are therapeutic but that fall on this list. People should be aware that they need doctors notes.

Andy: The only place drug testing will be done is the IGF World Amateur Go Competition, and the testing will be done randomly and the top finishers only. This is not an AGA issue specifically; I'm essentially doing a favor in this matter.

• Discuss having meeting on less than monthly schedule

Martin: Maybe we can have meetings bimonthly instead of monthly? Thoughts?

Chris K: If we want to meet less often, we need to be more efficient. We need to have more communication offline. We often tend to think out loud during the meetings, but we need to have time to think about things before meetings.

Paul: Didn't we discuss using Slack to communicate more easily?

Steve: Yes, I sent out invitations. I'll resend them.

Lisa: We need to be more productive outside of meetings, regardless of how often we meet.

Chris K: We need to put things on the agenda, not just say we're going to do things. Let's put meeting less regularly on the agenda to discuss next month.

• Discuss/suggest volunteers/staff to invite for future meetings

Martin: We need to think of people to invite. Dave Weimer has been suggested for next month.

Lisa: In what capacity?

Martin: Chris K suggested it.

Chris K: I was thinking an update on Congress.

Lisa: I don't think that's a good use of Congress Director's time.

Steve: Maybe Jeff Shaevel [tournament director], Hajin Lee [egf tournaments contact], Devin Fraze [youth coordinator]

Paul: I agree that we should be concerned about the Congress Director's time but I think an update on how things are progressing would be good.

Andy: Dave is also on the Iwamoto board.

Martin: So should we invite Dave next time?

Steve: I'd be interested in hearing from Dave from the perspective of his Iwamoto role.

• New business

Steve: Regarding the membership manager, I'm getting the testing info from Michael in the next couple of days, so I'll know within the next week or so if we can get this up and running.

Lisa: Regarding Congress, everything is going well. We have the prices, although I'm not sure if they've been posted yet. Payments will be done through the university. We hope registration to be available soon, but I'm not sure when exactly yet.

Chris: We talked about the reappointments last month but I never saw that via email. That should be on the agenda next month. We should also have membership management on the agenda each month until that's fully resolved and plans for preventing problems in the future are discussed.

Gurujeet Khalsa: The National Go Center submitted its application for 501-C3 status to the IRS.

Steve: Pandanet AGA City League is next Sunday; people should watch it.

Lisa: How are we going to work on organizing our priorities?

Paul: Maybe good to discuss this via slack.

• Adjourn

Review of Action Items:

MARTIN: WILL WRITE EMAIL TO DAVE WEIMER TODAY

MARTIN: ADD APPROPRIATE AGENDA ITEMS

ANDY: GET AND SEND LIST OF APPOINTMENT DATES FOR AGA POSITIONS

EVERYONE: WITHIN 2 WEEKS, ADD TOP 5 PRIORITIES TO SLACK CHAT.

Lisa motions to adjourn, Paul seconds, unanimous, meeting adjourned at 8:37pm EST.

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