

AGA Minutes 4/13/2014

Attending:

- (absent, travelling) Gurujeet Khalsa (Director, Eastern Region, Chair)
- Chris Kirschner (Director, Western Region)
- Martin Lebl (Director, Central Region)
- Bob Gilman (Director, Central Region)
- Paul Celmer (Director, Eastern Region)
- Steve Burrall (Director, Western Region)
- Edward Zhang (Director at Large)
- Daniel Smith (Secretary)
- Andrew Okun (President)
- Ted Terpstra (Executive Vice President)

1. Meeting called to order at 5:06 PM PST by Acting Chair Paul Celmer.
2. Approval of minutes
 - a. **Kirschner moves to approve the minutes, Gilman seconds. Unanimous.**
3. President's report
 - a. Congress signups: 58 people signed up and payed, and 60 or so who are part way through the process. We expect most of those to complete their registration.
 - i. Kirschner: hard to deduce much from these numbers so far. High proportion of dan players so far. Expect to be able to answer more questions at next board meeting.
 - b. The pro system committee is discussing the option of doing a third pro test at the end of this year. The committee is in favor of this, but is adamant that there would only be one pro selected. End of year, East coast, 16 players is what we're thinking at the moment.
 - i. To be clear, this is the third AGA pro test ever. The current plan is that we will not certify more than one pro per year, given our funding and the number of candidate strong players.
 - ii. (Discussion about whether 16 players is feasible.)
 - iii. Kirschner suggests that existing pros also participate in these tournaments, and we require that candidate new pros achive a minimum record against them, to prevent us from certifying unqualified payers.
 - c. Rank Certification: Jon Boley has agreed to help out with this.
4. New business
 - a. Amendment to 2/16 minutes
 - i. Change word "center" to "city"-- typo. Approved without objection.
 - b. Request for investigation of cost to add a 800 number option to our monthly phone calls.
5. Date and time of next meeting.
 - a. The next meeting will be on 5/18/2014 at 8 PM EST.
6. Adjournment

- a. **Burrall moves to adjourn, Zhang seconds. Unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 5:39 PM, PST.**