

Minutes for July 10, 2003 Meeting

Present: Directors: Jon Boley, David Dinhofer, Chendao Lin, Harold Lloyd, John Stephenson, Dave Weimer; President, Chris Kirschner; and Recorder, Lee Anne Bowie

1. President's report (10 minutes)

Discussion insurance application and need for directors' bios.

Chris Kirschner will let the board know when the information is needed.

Chris will be sending a list of ideas about Hikaru no Go for boards perusal and comments. The meeting with Hikaru no Go people is currently set for July 15.

Chris: Congress 2003 registration is going well although the Japanese tour group cancelled.

2. Pro Forma Votes on Previously Decided Issues

A. Ing Coordinator

Discussion: Suggested that there should be committee presentations to the board along the line of the president's presentations.

John Stephenson moved to confirm George Zhou as Ing Coordinator.

Dave Weimer asked if there were any objections to making it unanimous, and, there being none, George Zhou was confirmed unanimously.

B. Pro Tournament

Jeff Shaevel previously requested a waiver from the requirement that a referee be present at each board for the first round of the upcoming pro tournament. A majority of the board approved in an informal poll.

Chris noted that the game would be recorded.

Moved by John Stephenson; seconded by Harold Lloyd.

The vote:

David Dinhofer:	Yes
Chendao Lin:	No
Harold Lloyd:	Yes
Sephenson for O'Malley:	Yes

John Stephenson: Yes
Jon Boley: Yes
Dave Weimer: Yes

Motion carries six to one.

3. Review of the 2004 Congress Proposal

Discussion about higher costs at Rochester for 2004 Congress and how each new site is selected and approved..

John Stephenson moved that the board accept Rochester as the site for the 2004 Congress;
David Dinhofer seconded.

The Vote:

Jon Boley: Yes
David Dinhofer: Yes
Chendao Lin: Yes
Harold Lloyd: Yes
Stephenson for O'Malley: Yes
John Stephenson: Yes
Dave Weimer: Yes

The motion passed unanimously.

4. Review of the Fiscal Year 2004 Budget

Discussion ensued about use and placement of Ing money and which budget items belonged as Ing items. Chendao Lin emphasized that the showing of results is all Ing cared about.

Jon Boley moved to accept 2005 budget as proposed; Harold Lloyd seconded.

The Vote

Harold Lloyd: Yes
Stephenson for O'Malley: Yes
John Stephenson: Yes
Jon Boley: Yes
David Dinhofer: Abstain
Chendao Lin: Yes
Dave Weimer: Yes

The motion passed six for, none opposed, and one abstention.

5. Review of the Board's Annual Report

John Stephenson moved to accept the Annual Report as written, subject to minor revisions at the discretion of the chair; Jon Boley seconded.

The Vote:

David Dinhofer:	Yes
Chendao Lin:	Yes
Harold Lloyd:	Yes
Stephenson for O'Malley:	Yes
John Stephenson:	Yes
Jon Boley:	Yes
Dave Weimer:	Yes

The motion passed unanimously.

6. Board Advisory Opinions on National Assembly Items

A. Validate actions of prior Chapter Assemblies

B. AGA rules regarding komi

C. Adoption of a procedure for presenting proposed revisions to the Bylaws and/or Articles of Incorporation to the membership

D. A proposal to recommend amendment of Bylaws to elect Directors by membership vote rather than by Chapters

E. A proposal to recommend amendment of Bylaws to elect all Directors at large (without regard to regions), using a plurality system

F. A proposal to specify voting a rights calculation method for Chapters with members in more than one region

Dave Weimer commented at the beginning: As a board we can choose to take a position on any or all of the actions. If we take a vote, then the president reports it to the assembly.

John Stephenson moved that the board express support for D. "A proposal to recommend amendment of Bylaws to elect Directors by membership vote rather than by Chapters."

David Dinhofer seconded.

Discussion followed.

The Vote:

Jon Boley:	No
David Dinhofer:	Yes
Chendao Lin:	Yes
Harold Lloyd:	Yes
Stephenson for O'Malley	No
John Stephenson:	Yes
Dave Weimer:	No

The motion to recommend support for D passes four in favor, three opposed.

John Stephenson moved that the board express support for E. "A proposal to recommend amendment of Bylaws to elect all Directors at large (without regard to regions), using a plurality system."

Chendao Lin seconded.

Discussion followed.

The Vote:

David Dinhofer:	No
Chendao Lin:	Yes
Harold Lloyd:	No
Stephenson for O'Malley:	Yes
John Stephenson:	Yes
Jon Boley:	No
Dave Weimer:	No

Board voted three in favor, and four opposed to the motion to express support of this amendment.

Dave Weimer moved that the board express support for A. "Validate actions of prior Chapter Assemblies;" John Stephenson seconded.

Dave Weimer asked if there were any objections to a unanimous vote in favor. As there were no objections, the board voted unanimously to support A.

Chendao Lin moved to go to closed session; David Dinhofer seconded.

There were no objections and the board went into closed session.

The board resumed open session and returned to business after asking the president and recorder to return.

Chendao Lin moved:

WHEREAS, the Board is authorized to select the President of the AGA;

THEREFORE LET IT BE MOVED, that the Board shall form a Search Committee to actively find a new President for the AGA and report back to the Board not later than December 31, 2003; and

FURTHER BE IT MOVED, that the Search Committee be chaired by John Stephenson, who shall recruit committee members to actively assist in the search for a new President.

David Dinhofer seconded.

Jon Boley moved to insert the word "standing" in front of "committee."
Dave Weimer seconded.

Discussion ensued about the need of a standing committee for this task.

Vote on Amendment:

Stephenson for O'Malley:	Yes
John Stephenson:	Yes
Jon Boley:	Yes
David Dinhofer:	No
Chendao Lin:	No
Harold Lloyd:	Yes
Dave Weimer:	Yes

Amendment to insert "standing" passed five in favor, two opposed.

Dave Weimer moved to amend the date to 2004; Jon Boley seconded.

David Dinhofer:	No
Chendao Lin:	No
Harold Lloyd:	Yes
Stephenson for O'Malley:	No
John Stephenson:	No
Jon Boley:	Yes
Dave Weimer:	Yes

The motion to amend the date to 2004 failed, three in favor and four opposed.

Discussion of meaning of "standing" with respect to board approval of committee members ensued.

David Dinhofer moved to strike the word "standing" from the (amended) motion; John Stephenson seconded.

Further discussion ensued.

The Vote:

David Dinhofer:	Yes
Chendao Lin:	Yes
Harold Lloyd:	No
Stephenson for O'Malley:	Yes
John Stephenson:	Yes
Jon Boley:	No
Dave Weimer:	No

The board voted four in favor, three opposed, to strike the word "standing" from the motion.

Further discussion ensued.

Vote on the Motion:

Chendao Lin:	Yes
Harold Lloyd:	No
Stephenson for O'Malley:	Yes
John Stephenson:	Yes
Jon Boley:	No
David Dinhofer:	Yes
Dave Weimer:	No

The motion passed four in favor, three opposed.

Jon Boley moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded and passed without objection.

Respectfully submitted,
Lee Anne Bowie