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MINUTES

**Youth and Junior Events Committee
27 May 2006
15:00 – 17:00**

In Chair: Ali Nihat YAZICI

Presents: Ali Nihat YAZICI (Turkey), Alexander Kostyev (Russia), Theodoros Tsorbatzoglou (Greece), Enoch Barumba (Uganda), Lavrence Ball (South Africa), Igor Vereshcagin (Russia), Paule Domingue (Seycheeles Islands), Jaime Sunye (Brazil), Almog Burnstein (Israel)

1. Administration:

Since Chairman of this committee and no other members appeared, by the proposal of floor the only official member Mr.Ali Nihat YAZICI chaired the session.

1. World School Chess Championship:

These championships have organised twice in 2005 and 2006. Team championship has been organised in Turkey in 2005 and will be organised in Czech Republic in 2006. Individual Championships have been organised in Greece in 2005 and 2006.

Mr. Tsorbatzoglou, who is the organiser of both individual championships, have given report. He has mentioned that chess is growing and chess in school gets more attraction in every country. Therefore, the popularity of the chess in schools get more attraction.

The tournaments organised in Greece getting more popularity every year. 2005 the number of players were 195, 2006 was 270.

He has mentioned that the World Youth and World School championships have better conditions than Olympiad.

Aga difference makes school tournaments more attractive considering that already we have world youth with even ages and world school with odd ages.

Alexander Kostyev has mentioned that it was a great idea to organise this championship. It is a new direction of FIDE. School championships are the first level we involve the children in chess. Champions of school chess championships must be nominated to world youth chess championships. He has mentioned that there should be a maximum strength to participate in the tournament since it is more for amateurs. Chairmen have expressed his disagreement with this proposal. Mr. Kostyev proposed a parallel seminar next year with this event.

1. for referees
2. for chess teachers

Committee has agreed on that the best time for school championships are school time not summers. Since there are already different youth events organised during the summer.

Mr. Vereshcagin has made his comment that he does not agree with the maximum ELO level idea.

1. Chairman raised the issue about World Youth Chess Championships. He has mentioned that in Dresden this committee made a motion to EB of FIDE and Executive Board has accepted this unanimously. But FIDE Management did not respect the decision of Executive Board. The tournament was granted without inspection to a federation.

Also the bids made for this event not published and not transparent. Considering that these championships became a very important issue and tournament like Chess Olympiad, it should be a very clear bidding proposal and contract after deciding the winner federation.

Committee makes recommendation to FIDE GA to have a clear procedure with Bid (deadline and payment and form), Inspection process should be made by FIDE or by an independent committee, it should be checked by YAJEC and then should be decided by a body under FIDE. Chairmen proposed the General Assembly must be given the rights to decide it. Then after the decision there should be a contract signed by both party FIDE, and organiser.

Mr. Braumba has mentioned that World youth championships is becoming only an European activity. May we have a chance to participate in somewhere closer. He has mentioned that they need help from FIDE.

Ali Nihat Yazici
In Chair