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**CHIPS**

**MINUTES**

**In Chair:** G. Oganessian (ARM)

**Present:** S. Reuben (ENG), I. Vereshchagin (RUS), J. Wempe (GER), Chenjun (CHN), C. Abundo (PHI), Abbas Moussaileb (LIB).

Mr. G. Oganessian noted that for the year since the last Congress the CHIPS Committee together with the magazine 64-Chess Review has successfully organised and held Chess Oscar. The ceremonies of the Chess Oscar awards were very presentable and solemn, especially during the last 2 years – in San Luis, Argentina and Sofia, Bulgaria. Due to the fact that the voting has been taking place at the site of the 64 magazine and the FIDE webpage, all those who were willing to vote, had a possibility to do this in respect of the Oscar.

There was a need to note one negative moment. The Chess Oscar organisers and experts unfortunately noted that further to the call of the Turkish Chess Federation site, a large number of this country's representatives groundlessly voted for their compatriots, which deformed the real situation.

In order to avoid such problems in the future, there has been a proposal to supervise the lists of the chess journalists, to publish these lists at the FIDE website and possibly, to provide these journalists with some special accreditation cards. This is important not only for the Chess Oscar, but it also regulates the work of the chess journalists at the top chess events.

Mr. S. Reuben proposed that the CHIPS Committee also organised a vote for the Year's Best Chess Book.

The CHIPS Committee resolved as follows:

1. To authorise Messrs. A. Roshal, G. Oganessian and C. Abundo the supervision of the chess journalists lists with the consecutive publication of these lists on the FIDE website.
2. To make sure that the Organisers of the FIDE official events provide some benefits for the chess journalists.
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6. In Chair