

REPORT

Commonwealth Chess Association Meeting Baku, AZE, September 8, 2016 Hotel Fairmont 11:00 – 13:00

Present: *Mr. Bharat Singh (Chairman), Mr. Hal Bond (Deputy Chairman)*
Executive members: Mr. Andy Howie, Mr. Kevin Bonham

Present: I. Amarnath (IND), A. Holowczak (ENG), H. Thowfeeq (MDV), A. Nooh (MDV), E. Smart (RSA), W. Dalpat (RSA), A. Salim (PAK), N. Joubert (RSA), B. van Zul (RSA), R. Nshikokola (ZAM), M. Meluleki (SWZ), N. P.B. Freeman (FIDE), Gopakumar MS (IND), V. Drkulec (CAN), S. Reuben (ENG), S. S. Uddin (BAN), S. Simango (MOZ), R. Ngarambe (RWA), M. W.Nisar (PAK)

Agenda for the Commonwealth Chess Association Meeting Baku, AZE, September 5, 2016

1. Welcome by the Chairman, CCA, Mr. Bharat Singh
2. Minutes of the Commonwealth Chess Association Meeting 2015 held at Abu Dhabi – Secretary, Mr. Luxman Wijesuriya to Report
3. Matters arising from the Minutes.
4. The financial Report – Chairman, CCA, Mr. Bharat Singh to Report
5. The Report of Commonwealth Chess Championships 2016
6. Assigning the Commonwealth Chess Championships 2017 and 18
7. Complaint by Malaysian Chess Federation & Reply by Organising Committee of Commonwealth Chess Championship-2016
8. Any other matters

MINUTES OF THE COMMONWEALTH CHESS ASSOCIATION MEETING

1. Chairman Bharat Singh welcomed the participants of the meeting.
2. Chairman informed the house that Secretary Mr. Luxman Wijesuriya is not attending the meeting as he missed the flight.

3. Minutes of Commonwealth Chess Association Meeting-2015 held at Abu Dhabi discussed and passed.
4. The financial report discussed and passed.
5. Due to the absence of Secretary, who was the Chief Organiser of the Commonwealth Chess Championship-2016, the report of championship was not presented. But the Chairman informed the house that the Commonwealth Chess Championship was conducted in a befitting manner by Chess Federation of Sri Lanka from 30th Jul to 7th Aug 2016 at Waskaduwa
6. The Chairman informed the house that the Commonwealth Chess Championship-2017 and 2018 was allotted to South Africa and Zambia respectively but both federations not submitted the required fee for holding the event. Considering the request from South Africa and Zambia, it is decided to give two more months to these Federations to submit the required bid fee for the conduct of Commonwealth Chess Championship. Maldives, England, Canada and India intimated their interest to hold the event if South Africa or Zambia back out or in future.
7. The complaint received from Malaysian Chess Federation regarding fielding of Sri Lankan players in different categories during Commonwealth Championship and the reply by the organisers is also discussed. It is decided to conduct the Commonwealth Chess Championship as different age group events. It is also decided that minimum 10 players is required to conduct the event as separate age group otherwise that age group will be clubbed with higher age category/Open age category and players will be given option to select the age group for medal purposes.
8. Considering the request of IPCA, it is decided to give official entry status for one disabled player from each federation for Commonwealth Chess Championship.
9. The Chairman intimated the house that he had a discussion with QC for awarding titles for winners in Commonwealth Championships but the same can't be approved till the correct format of age groups not drawn for the championship.
10. Chairman thanked all the participants for taking part in the meeting and fruitful discussion.

Bharat Singh
Chairman