

80TH FIDE CONGRESS 2009

Kallithea, Greece

Technical Administration Panel Meeting

14 October 2009

09.00-11.00

Minutes

Chairman: W. Stubenvoll

Present: A. Burstein (ISR), A. Vardapetian (ARM), I. Vereshchagin (RUS), I. Leong (SIN), P. Nikolopoulos (GRE), M. Markkula (FIN), C. Krause (GER), A. Filipowicz (POL), M. Pahlevanzadeh (IRI), D. Sedgwick (ENG), R. Jones (PNG), A. Herbert (BAR), N. Faulks (BER), E. Price (RSA)

1. Olympiad Pairing Rules for 2010

Chairman Werner Stubenvoll informed that FIDE Presidential Board decided to have no accelerations or imaginary points in the regulations for the Olympiad 2010 in Khanty Mansyisk. The ranking according to match points has to be kept. No major changes in the pairing system shall be made. Based on this decision TAP discussed the current Olympiad Pairing Rules.

The initial ranking of the teams shall be made according to the average rating of the four highest rated teams. In case of a tie the rating of the fifth player is taken in account and if still a tie the teams are ranked alphabetically. It was agreed, that the ranking for pairing purposes and for standings should be identical. Then the commission discussed if the second criteria should be game points or Buchholz points. Mr. Burstein was in favor to make no change, but the majority voted in favor of game points for the second criteria.

Therefore it is proposed that for pairing of all rounds the teams are ranked

- a) Match points
- b) Game points
- c) Ranking number according to article 9.

On proposal of the chairman it was discussed to have the normal Swiss System not only in rounds 1 to 3, but in all the rounds of the Olympiad. The main advantage would be that all the

players and captains can understand the system very well. This would avoid a lot of discussions during the event.

Mr. Krause supported the proposal, Mr. Burstein was against of it.

Mr. Filipowicz was in favor of the proposal, but in his opinion after Khanty Mansyisk we should return to 13 rounds.

Mr. Markkula as well supported the proposal.

The voting of the whole body was 9 in favor, 1 against the proposal and 1 abstention.

The voting of the TAP members present was 2 in favor and 1 against.

The Tie-break system for the final ranking of the Olympiad was discussed and finally it was proposed to have:

a) by the number of the game points scored;

b) by the sum of the match points of all the teams opponents, excluding the lowest one;

c) the sum of Sonneborn-Berger points, which are calculated as follows:

match points of each opponent, excluding the opponent who scored the lowest number of match points, multiplied by the number of game points achieved against this opponent.

The voting on this proposal was 11 votes in favor and 2 votes against, 1 abstention.

The voting of the TAP members was 2 in favor and 1 against.

Concerning unplayed games Mr. Krause proposed to count it as a game against a virtual opponent who before the game has the same match points as the player present, will win the virtual game and is awarded half a point for each subsequent round until end of the championship.

It was agreed not to propose this system for 2010, but to take it up for further Olympiads.

Some ideas to avoid a bye in Olympiad had been discussed. Finally there was no idea which seemed to be practicable.

2. Continuous Dynamic Acceleration (CDA) system (annex A)

Mr. Krause proposed to implement the Continuous Dynamic Acceleration (CDA) system in Olympiad pairing rules, as well and for pairing of other tournaments. It was decided to have further examinations and simulations of this system and to take it up later.

3. Budget of TAP

The budget was discussed and agreed to propose a sum of 3.000 Euro to FIDE Treasurer.

Werner Stubenvoll
Chairman of TAP