

BCF Arbiters' Meeting held at Eastbourne on Saturday 4th August 1990.

PRESENT

Alderton J, Boniface S, Boxall RE, Brown R, Corfe T, Cowan I, Croker E, Dansey P, Edwards RJ, Eustace D, Furness R, Graham N, Jones G, Lamb H, Purland P, Reuben S, Robinson J, Sedgwick D, Spiegel J, Thomas D, Walsh GF, Webster A, Welch DW, Whiteley A Woodruff DG.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Bielby P, Goldberg J, Morry WR, Wills M.

MINUTES OF THE INITIAL MEETING

After some debate it was proposed by R.Furness and seconded by D.W. Welch that " THE CHESS ARBITERS' ASSOCIATION " be formed. AGREED

It was proposed by N.Graham and seconded by S.Reuben that we should seek affiliation to the B.C.F. as a Non-Territorial Affiliate. AGREED

A number of objectives were discussed, which could be used as a basis to draught a constitution for subsequent approval by the members.

- 1) To seek to unify rules & practice of arbiting.
- 2) To organise entrance exam & recommend Arbiters to the B.C.F.
- 3) To maintain standards.
- 4) To establish & maintain a case book.
- 5) To publicise the association.
- 6) To advise on rule changes.
- 7) To establish a hot-line.
- 8) To arrange a news-letter.
- 9) To set down criteria for membership. (at least two tier)
- 10) To advise on equipment and possibly even provide some.
- 11) To create a forum for discussion.
- 12) To identify candidates for the title of F.I.D.E. Arbiter.
- 13) To have a dialogue with the Professional Players Assoc.

It was AGREED that all Arbiters with a recognised national title be invited to join and that notification be sent The Chess Assoc's of Guernsey, Ireland, Jersey, Scotland and Wales.

G.F.WALSH was elected chairman.

D.EUSTACE and R.FURNESS were elected to prepare a constitution for approval at the next meeting on SEPT 15th.

After discussion it was AGREED by 14-2 that we should have a B.C.F. chief arbiter.

It was also AGREED by 16~2 that we should nominate a candidate to the B.C.F. at our September meeting.

It was AGREED that the chairman would contact Sir John Lawson to discuss the position of his status as an arbiter.