

Motions of the Board of Directors

Votes are shown as For – Against – Abstain

Date	Vote	Motion
		Board: Mark Kaprielian – President, Doug Thompson, Harvey Reed, Jim Donahue, John Ziniti, Mike Barry, Venkat Krishnamurthy
Motion_2022-04-001	6 – 0 – 0	To appoint Mike Barry to the board
		Board: Mark Kaprielian – President, Doug Thompson, Harvey Reed, Jim Donahue, John Ziniti, Venkat Krishnamurthy
Motion_2021-05-001	5 – 0 – 0	To appoint Doug Thompson to the board Note: Board was reduced to 5 people due to the passing of Ken Ballou
		Board: Mark Kaprielian – President, Harvey Reed, Jim Donahue, John Ziniti, Venkat Krishnamurthy
Motion_2020-05-002	6 – 0 – 0	To Suspend Physical meetings of the club indefinitely and terminate our rental agreement with St. Paul's church
Motion_2020-05-001	6 – 0 – 0	To accept resignation of Matt Phelps from the board and elect Mark Kaprielian as President (Passed: 2020-05-15)
Motion_2016-12-003	6 – 0 – 0	To appoint Jim Donahue to the board to fill the vacancy created by the recent resignation of John Bottini from the board.
Motion_2016-12-002	7 – 0 – 0	To amend the current motion (to allow the swap of position of President) to have the exchange of officers take effect immediately.
Motion_2016-12-001	7 – 0 – 0	To allow the current president Mark Kaprielian to relinquish his role on the board from President to board member at large and to fill the vacancy of the President by elevating Matt Phelps from board member at large to the office of President effective immediately. (Effective 2016-12-12)
Motion_2016-10-001	7 – 0 – 0	To authorize the president to proceed with negotiations and the signing of a lease agreement for the Natick Crossing location. The President will provide the details of the agreements for informal review by the board prior to signing and barring any grave concerns expressed by the board will be authorized to proceed in entering into the agreements.
Motion_2015-04-001	7 – 0 – 0	To authorize the president to proceed with negotiations and the signing of a lease agreement for the Kenwood location which adheres with the information and intent that has been under examination and review by the board. The President will provide the details of the agreements for informal review by the board prior to signing and barring any grave concerns expressed by the board will be authorized to proceed in entering into the agreements.
Motion_2015-02-001	6 – 0 – 0	To Appoint John Ziniti to the board to fill the vacancy created by the recent resignation of Mike Barry from the board.
Motion_2015-01-001 Annual Meeting	Voice Consent	To Adjourn the Annual Meeting held January 20 th , 2015.
Motion_2014-05-001	6 – 0 – 0	Motion: Motion to nominate Venkat Krishnamurthy to the board to fill the vacancy created by the recent resignation of Jim Krycka from the board.
Motion_2013-01-001 Annual Meeting	Voice Consent	To Adjourn the Annual Meeting.

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Motion_2012-01-001 Annual Meeting	Voice Consent	To Adjourn the Annual Meeting.
Motion_2011-10-001 Annual Meeting	7 – 0 – 0	Motion: To amend the Policy and Procedures for Monthly Tournaments to include the following: “Masters (defined as players whose current rating supplement is 2200 or higher) are given free entry into all regular monthly events provided they are a member of the club.” This motion to take effect as of January 1, 2012.
Motion_2007-01-001 Annual Meeting	Voice Consent	To ratify the uncontested election of Board members held in November of 2006.
Motion_2007-01-002 Annual Meeting	Voice Consent	To Adjourn the Annual Meeting.
Motion_2007-01-003 Email Vote	7 – 0 – 0	To elect Mark Kaprielian as President, Harvey Reed as Clerk, and John Bottini as Treasurer.
Motion_2007-01-004 Email Vote	7 – 0 – 0	To approve the appointments of Program Directors as detailed by the preceding table in these minutes.
Motion_2007-01-005 Email Vote	7 – 0 – 0	To approve the purchase of Club Key Chains in accordance with the guidelines of the proposal.
Motion_2007-01-006 Email Vote	7 – 0 – 0	To approve the purchase of Button making system to execute a recognition program in accordance with the guidelines of the proposal.
Motion_2005-01-001 By Email	7 – 0 – 0	Motion: Kaprielian, 2nd by Reed: To add to the Monthly Tournament P&P the following statement about the end of registration: "Unless otherwise announced, registration ends at 7:20 PM."
Motion_2004-12-001	5 – 0 – 0	To accept the draft posted minutes of the prior meeting held on 2004-02-19.
Motion_2004-12-002	5 – 0 – 0	To accept the proposal to purchase a new Laptop as presented in the proposal.
Motion_2004-12-003	5 – 0 – 0	To accept the proposal for the new phone service and capabilities as presented in the proposal. The phone number will stay the same.
Motion_2004-12-004	2 – 2 – 1	To purchase a one year Club Announcement at a cost of \$180 per annum in Chess Life Magazine.
Motion_2004-12-005	5 – 0 – 0	Move to establish an investment committee that is charged with recommending investment options for the Club's reserve cash. The committee will be chaired by John Chamberlain with additional members recommended to be John Bottini and Jim Todhunter. This committee is charged with producing a recommendation and will dissolve by March 31, 2005.
Motion_2004-02-006	5 – 0 – 0	To change the family restriction request policies from only the lowest section allowed to only the Open section restricted.
Motion_2004-02-007	5 – 0 – 0	To Adjourn.
Motion_2004-02-001	4 – 0 – 1	To accept the draft posted minutes of the prior meeting.
Motion_2004-02-002	5 – 0 – 0	To elect Matt Phelps to the Board of Directors.

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Motion_2004-02-003	6 - 0 - 0	To elect Mark Kaprielian as President, Harvey Reed as Clerk, and John Bottini as Treasurer.
Motion_2004-02-004	6 - 0 - 0	To approve the appointments of Program Directors as detailed by the preceding table in these minutes.
Motion_2004-02-005	6 - 0 - 0	The TD who reads the pairings at the start of a round shall announce when the players may start their clocks. Any TD may request a delay in the start of their game by having their opponent notified within 3 minutes of the start of the clocks. Clocks can be reset if necessary. A TD may request a delay only for the purpose of managing urgent business for the Club.
Motion_2004-02-006	6 - 0 - 0	A TD may interrupt their game for the purpose of managing urgent business for the Club. The clocks shall be stopped in accordance with USCF Rule 16Q, 5th Edition.
Motion_2004-02-007	6 - 0 - 0	It is strongly recommended and requested that as long as there is at least one TD still playing, that at least one other TD remain to arbitrate the other TD's game.
Motion_2004-02-008	6 - 0 - 0	That the Board authorize the Scholastics Director to plan, organize and hold the Fifth MetroWest Chess Club Summer Scholastic Event, consistent with proposal put forward in the 2003 Final Report.
Motion_2004-02-009	6 - 0 - 0	To adjourn.
Motion_2003-10-001	5-0-0	To accept the draft posted minutes of the prior meeting.
Motion_2003-10-002	5-0-0	To appoint Derek Slater as Program Director of Game Advice.
Motion_2003-10-003	5-0-0	To appoint Eric Sonnenstuhl as Program Director of Games Archive.
Motion_2003-10-004	5-0-0	To approve an increase in the budget for the 2003 "Best Game" prize to a \$300 limit, to cover the actual expenses.
Motion_2003-10-005	5-0-0	To appoint Ray Salemi to fill the vacancy of the BOD (7th).
Motion_2003-10-006	6-0-0	To set the size of the Board starting with the 2004 term to be 7 directors.
Motion_2003-10-007	6-0-0	The size of the Board shall remain fixed at whatever its value is from the start of the opening of Nominations and lasting until the end of the Annual meeting.
Motion_2003-10-008	6-0-0	To approve the revised Election P&P as proposed for this meeting.
Motion_2003-10-009	6-0-0	To approve the proposed new tournament structure as presented in section 2.5.
Motion_2003-10-010	6-0-0	To rescind motion 2000-12-14_002 "Any Club event with a prize fund equal to or greater than \$1,000 shall be advertised in Chess Life."
Motion_2003-10-011	6-0-0	To approve the proposed Club Championships plan in section 3, with the proposed changes – a player can only earn qualification points while they are a member; and qualification requires playing at least 4 tournaments of the calendar year, while a member, where playing requires playing at least one rated game in each tournament. James Krycka will modify proposal to match.
Motion_2003-10-012	6-0-0	To make a grandfather exception for the 2004 qualification cycle (2003) – for the purposes of computing membership for qualification, a player is considered to be a member for all of 2003 if the player is a member on December 31, 2003.
Motion_2003-10-013	6-0-0	To authorize a rate of \$2.50 per cross table for the anticipated manual intensive effort to correct, enter or verify the cross table data. These funds to be administered by Mark Kaprielian.
Motion_2003-10-014	6-0-0	To Adjourn.
Motion_2003-04-001	4-0-0	To accept the draft#2 posted minutes of the prior meeting.
Motion_2003-04-002	4-0-0	Kaprielian is authorized to commission L.L. Bean to create logo and provide sample merchandise.

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Motion_2003-04-003	4-0-0	We authorize selected old FCC games to be transcribed into ChessBase format at the piece rate of \$2.50 per game.
Motion_2003-04-004	4-0-0	Mary Murphy is appointed to fill the vacancy of the BOD (7th).
Motion_2003-04-005	5-0-0	If the ceiling mount of the LCD projector is feasible then Kaprielian is authorized to spend up to \$350 to execute what it takes to mount the projector.
Motion_2003-04-006	5-0-0	To Adjourn.
Motion_2003-02-001	6 - 0 - 0	To ratify the actions of the incorporators in establishing the MetroWest Chess Club corporation and to adopt the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the corporation.
Motion_2003-02-002	6 - 0 - 0	To adopt the Policies and Procedures adopted by the preceding board of directors on 2002-10-24 as those of the MetroWest Chess Club corporation.
Motion_2003-02-003	6 - 0 - 0	To accept the slate of Mark Kaprielian as President, Harvey Reed as Clerk and John Chamberlain as Treasurer, as so nominated.
Motion_2003-02-004	6 - 0 - 0	To close the nominations
Motion_2003-02-005	6 - 0 - 0	To close the nominations
Motion_2003-02-006	6 - 0 - 0	To elect the slate of nominees for Program Directors.
Motion_2003-02-007	5 - 1 - 0	To establish a 20 th year anniversary committee chaired by Harvey Reed.
Motion_2003-02-008	6 - 0 - 0	USCF Unrated players may win no more than \$50 in a non-Open section in any tournament.
Motion_2003-02-009	6 - 0 - 0	That the motion limiting unrated winnings (above) be effective commencing on the April 2003 Monthly Tournament.
Motion_2003-02-010	6 - 0 - 0	That the Marketing Director be given a FY 2003 budget of \$400.
Motion_2003-02-011		To Adjourn
Motion_2003-02-012	6 - 0 - 0	To approve the Web budget as proposed by the Web Team.
Email Vote 2003-03-29		
Motion_2002-10-001 Email Vote	7 - 0 - 0	To Amend the bylaws to create the office of Clerk in place of one of the general directors positions.
Motion_2002-10-002 Email Vote	7 - 0 - 0	To appoint Harvey Reed as Clerk pending the approval of the creation of that Office.
Motion_2002-10-003 Email Vote	7 - 0 - 0	To accept the Incorporation version of the Bylaws with the understanding that Mark working with the lawyers will include or exclude the optionally placed sections.
Motion_2002-10-004	4 - 0 - 0	That the MCC budget \$800 for creative/graphic talent to enable marketing efforts. The deliverables are: (a) Logo; (b) Homepage with FrontPage template; (c) artwork for banner. Harvey Reed is the Project Manager.
Motion_2002-10-005	4 - 0 - 0	To approve the "MetroWest Chess Club General Policies & Procedures" document, as revised at this meeting.
Motion_2002-10-006	4 - 0 - 0	To approve the "MetroWest Chess Club Monthly Tournament Program Policies & Procedures" document, as revised at this meeting.
Motion_2002-10-007	4 - 0 - 0	That the MCC does not allow team/club avoidance for pairings in any section other than the lowest section of a multi-section tournament, and then only for family members, effective November 2002. The recommendation is for the TDs to have one reference sheet to register any allowed teams.
Motion_2002-10-008	4 - 0 - 0	To appoint Harvey Reed as Marketing Director.
Motion_2002-10-009	4 - 0 - 0	To Adjourn.

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Motion_2002-09-001	5 - 0 - 0	To that we budget up to \$1000 to handle legal fees for incorporation and related non-profit filings.
Motion_2002-09-002	5 - 0 - 0	To accept the Bylaw proposal as marked up at the meeting.
Motion_2002-09-003	5 - 0 - 0	To accept the Zurich insurance proposal as prepared by Kathleen Fair of Fair-Yeager insurance, Natick.
Motion_2002-09-004	4 - 0 - 0	That we plan to buy an LCD projector for educational purposes.
Motion_2002-09-005	4 - 0 - 0	That we approve an expenditure of up to \$800 for the purchase of a LCD projector, to be determined by John Chamberlain and Mark Kaprielian.
Motion_2002-09-006	5 - 0 - 0	That the board accepts the proposal presented with a budget limit of \$300 for access to guest speakers.
Motion_2002-09-007	3 - 2 - 0	That we establish a regular set of board meetings to be held January, April, July and October on the 2nd Thursday of said month.
Motion_2002-09-008	5 - 0 - 0	That the board accepts the proposal presented for the 2003 Summer Scholastic Program.
Motion_2002-09-009	4 - 0 - 0	To Adjourn.
2002-07-30_001 Email Vote	6-0-0	To amend the P&P, Section VI. D, by adding a the following rule: "A bye requested for the last round must be committed to before the start of the 2nd round and is irrevocable after the start of the 2nd round."
2002-01-25_001 Email Vote	7-0-0	To replace the existing bye policy wording concerning advance round byes found in Section VI. D. of the P&P which reads as follows: In Swiss-system play of four or more rounds, a maximum of two half-point byes is allowed. All requested byes must be committed to before the start of the 2nd round and are irrevocable after the start of the 2nd round. Players entering an event late will have the half point byes applied to any missed rounds. with the following wording In Swiss-system event of any number of rounds, a maximum of two half-point byes for the event is allowed. Players entering an event after the first round will have their half-point byes applied starting with round 1 until all of the allowed half point byes are used. Once a player's half point byes are used, any other requested byes shall be zero point byes.
2001-05-04_001 Email Vote	5-2-0	If a player is paired out, they will receive a credit of \$5 if they do not end up playing a rated game.
2001-05-04_002 Email Vote	7-0-0	To accept the Summer Scholastic Program as proposed by Alan Hodge
2001-01-14_001	5-0-0	The election procedure as revised be approved for the annual election of Directors.
2001-01-14_002	5-0-0	The nomination and voting forms and process proposed for the February 2001 election be approved as revised.
2001-01-14_003	6-0-0	The proposed Charter for the MetroWest Chess Club be approved as revised
2001-01-14_004	5-0-0	The Club will not pro-rate entry fees for any tournament event
2001-01-14_005	5-0-0	A player will be permitted to enter an event after round 3 has been played only if this does not result in an already-entered player being paired out. A player entered on this basis will pay the entire member or non-member (as applicable) entry fee for the event and will remain in the section he enters for all subsequent rounds of the event. The player will have the right to take byes on the same basis as every other player entered in the event, including the right to half-point byes for earlier rounds not played in accordance with the rules for the particular event. The player will have

		the right to be paired and the risk of being paired out on the same basis as every other player entered in the event.
2001-01-14_006	5-0-0	Tournament directors will be given free entry for an MCC event for each event they work as a TD.
2000-12-14_001	5-0-0	The current Player of the Year program will be suspended upon determination of the winner for the year 2000, and the Board will establish a committee to explore alternatives and prepare recommendations for the Board's consideration. The committee will comprise John Chamberlain, chairman, Mark Kaprielian, and Jim Krycka.
2000-12-14_002	5-0-0	Any Club event with a prize fund equal to or greater than \$1,000 shall be advertised in Chess Life.
2000-11-16_001	6-0-0	The Board will establish a committee to determine the feasibility and requirements of incorporation and to present a recommendation to the Board by December 10, 2000. The committee will comprise John Chamberlain, chairman, Harvey Reed, and Mike Barry.
1999-09-19_001	5-1-0	The 1999 Club championship will be determined by the Stanley Crowe Memorial Tournament. The MCC member finishing highest in the Open section will be declared the MCC Champion for 1999. In the event two or more MCC members finish in a tie for the highest finish by a member in the Open section, they will be declared co-champions. Only players who are members of the MCC prior to the start of round 1 of this event will be eligible to be Club Champion.
1999-09-19_002	6-0-0	The Club Championship Committee will submit its final report to the Board no later than November 2, 1999, and as of midnight on November 2, 1999 the committee will be dissolved. It is recognized that the final report submitted in accordance with this motion might not include a final recommendation.
1999-09-19_003	6-0-0	The Club President will purchase a time delay clock for the Club according to his discretion.
1999-09-19_004	6-0-0	In recognition of Noah Pang's achievement in being invited to the World Junior Championships in Spain, the MCC has decided to make available \$500 to help defray the cost attendant on Noah's participation in this event.
1999-09-19_005	5-0-0	The draft web site policies and procedures dated September 11, 1999 shall be adopted as drafted.
1998-09-xx		1/4 Accelerated-pairing rules shall be used for any section within an event that meets the recommended criteria for its use as set out by the most current rules of the USCF. The "Adjusted Rating" option shall be used. We further define the USCF phrase "far exceeds" used in its recommended criteria to mean that when the number of players is greater than or equal to half way between the number two raised to the number of rounds and the number two raised to the number of rounds plus one.
1998-05-xx		Where questions arise in the accuracy and/or propriety of a computer-generated pairing, it is the policy of the MetroWest Chess Club to accept the program's pairings in the absence of an obvious or clearly understood violation of USCF rules.