



NORDIC CHESS FEDERATION

## **INFORMATION ON DECISIONS AT THE 2015 CONGRESS IN STAVANGER**

The Nordic Chess Federation had its bi-annual congress in Stavanger on June 25, 2015. Please find below a brief summary of the decisions at this meeting:

- The accounts were approved and the Board of Directors were discharged from liability.
- Membership fees for the coming two years and new fiscal year

The congress decided to keep the present fee (DKK 2 500 per calendar year and federation).

- Election of president

Carl-Fredrik Johansson (Sweden) was elected president until the next congress in 2017.

- Election of secretary general

Johan Sigeman was re-elected as secretary general until the next congress in 2017.

- Election of treasurer

Geir Nesheim (Norway) was elected as treasurer until the next congress in 2017.

- Election of auditors

Jogvan Joensen and Hanus Ingi Hansen were re-elected as auditors until the next congress in 2017.

- Election of the chairman of the School Committee

Mats Johansson was elected chairman of the School Committee until the next congress in 2017.

- Election of the chairman of the Senior Committee

Sven-Olof Andersson was re-elected as chairman of the Senior Committee until the next congress in 2017.

- Election of the chairman of the Women's Committee

Emilia Horn was re-elected as chairman of the Women's Committee until the next congress in 2017.

- "Nordens Schackspelare 2015"

Only one nomination had been made this time and world champion Magnus Carlsen was awarded the title "Nordens Schackspelare 2015".

- Decision on the Nordic Championships 2016 (2017)

No championship will be held in 2015 partly due to lack of interest from organizers and partly because the Board has been awaiting a decision from FIDE/ECU related to the zonal tournaments and the possibility of the Nordic zone having one or two qualification spots in the World Cup. Finnbjørn Vang informed about the (lack of) development within FIDE/ECU in this issue and the congress thereafter decided to announce invitation for bids for the 2016 Nordic Chess Championships as soon as possible. Bids shall be forwarded three months after publication of the announcement. As for 2017, the congress decided that there will be Nordic Chess Championships also 2017 and thereafter every second year (2019, 2021 etc.). Announcement for bids related to the 2017 events will be made in February 2016. Sweden will be having its 100 year jubilee in 2017 and may be very interested in hosting the Nordic Chess Championships that year.

- Application from Greenland

The congress discussed the application for membership from Greenland Chess Federation and decided to await the decision of FIDE before making any decisions for the Nordic Chess Federation but the congress declared that it was generally positive as to the application and the Nordic federations will offer their support to Greenland within FIDE. Greenland wants to play in 2016 Olympics in Baku and has applied to be a FIDE member, to be decided in Abu Dhabi. Greenland will be invited to attend our meetings.

- Miscellaneous

Finland has proposed that a FIDE arbiter seminar should be organized in a Nordic co-operation. The congress decided that this was a good idea that should be investigated further.

It was decided to change the present website to something more modern and also to set up a domain address of our own.

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