

Minutes of the Swiss Go Federation

Sunday 12th April 2009, 20:30, Luzern.

Attendance:

Board: Alan Held, Lorenz Trippel, Armel-David Wolff, Sébastien Koch.

Clubs: Basel, Zurich, Bern, Ko Go Club, Lausanne, Ishi, Locarno, Luzern

And some free participants.

Budget

Bern proposed to fix a maximum amount for supporting young participants in youth tournament (which is traditionally organized by Berner Go Klub), to avoid the lost that has been encountered in 2008. The maximal amount of 40 CHF / player was accepted by vote.

Bern proposed to organize a women-only championship. This tournament, if it occurs, will be supported by the Swiss Go Federation.

Zurich proposed to organize a team tournament, on one week-end. This tournament will also be supported by the Swiss Go Federation.

Except for these points, the 2009 Budget will be same. All present members renewed their confidence in the work of the secretary (Lorenz Trippel).

Rating

The old rule concerning the rating - ranks above 5 kyu was confirmed, now it's possible to have one's rank adjusted through a committee if the rating is too low or simply wrong. The main thing is that what was already done out of habit will be written in guidelines and published (on the website).

Tournaments

- New: There will be a women championship (Federation supports, Bern organizes)
- New: There will be a team championship organized on a week-end (Federation supports, ZH organizes). Although it is not exactly the first time it has been organized, it's new and the rule will be quite loose and open, for example two people from different clubs could do a team. More strict rules (strict clubs, time settings...) will be prepared for next years.
- 2010 Swiss Championship will be organized by ISHI Go club, at EPFL, near Lausanne. It has been noticed that no guidelines exists about which system to use, and there has been small differences the last years. Therefore guidelines will be written about it. It will probably include the principle of 7 rounds, 3 days as it has been approved by a vote.

International Tournaments

- There will be no financial support from the Swiss Go Federation in case the cost of WAGC is not covered at 100% by Nihon Ki-in. The swiss representative must cover the additional cost himself. This will be clearly stated at the beginning of the tournament, and also when one accepts to be swiss representative to WACG.
- The AGM voted for a longer term to wait for going to an international championship overseas. Now it's a 3 years sit-out again (go, pass, pass, pass, go). Other points of the rules remain (changes have been refused).
- The Oza representative will be the player that has the best position in the swiss championship 2009, who doesn't go to WAGC or IBC and who is resident in Switzerland. Being Oza representative has no influence on the points given for WACG or IBC.
- **New Board:**

We have a new president, Jean-Luc Luyet, and a departure, Patric Grüter (his work has been much appreciated). **Board:** Jean-Luc Luyet/President, Alan Held & Sébastien Koch/ Vice-president, Lorenz Trippel/Secretary & Treasury, Armel-David Wolff: Technical Commission