



CANADIAN GO ASSOCIATION ASSOCIATION CANADIENNE DE GO

Minutes of the 2002 Annual General Meeting (Sept. 1, 2002)

Executives in Attendance: Philip Waldron (President), Ken Chou (Vice-President), James Sedgwick (Ratings Officer), Charles Chang (Executive At-Large)

1. Meeting brought to order by Philip Waldron, President.
2. Officer's Reports:

President:

- Introduction and congratulations to those players who represented Canada internationally in the past year: Norman Chadwick (WAGC), James Sedgwick and Richard Liang (Ing Cup), Richard Liang (Youth Championship) and Stella and Stanley Chang (Pairs Championship)
- The CGA has a new web page at www.go-canada.org. People and clubs wishing to submit items for posting are invited to do so.

Gazette Editor (report *in absentia*):

- Jonathon Buss requests articles from areas other than Toronto, Montreal and Ottawa. We currently obtain a rather limited view of the Canadian Go scene.

Club Contact (report *in absentia*):

- The club contact list is up to date and available on the web page.
- People living in sparsely populated areas can be added to the club contact list.

Treasurer (report *in absentia*):

- Report does not reflect most recent issue of the Gazette.
- The CGA is financially sound and showed a profit of ~\$100 for the last fiscal year.

Ratings Officer

- Ratings require additional input. Tournament directors are encouraged to submit the games from their events.

- Question from the floor: Could the ratings be put online
Response: A good idea and should be implemented.

3) Elections

Youth Representative: Isabel Chang agreed to stand for reelection. Nominated *in absentia* and acclaimed to office.

Executive-At-Large: Charles Chang agreed to stand for reelection. Nominated and acclaimed to office.

Ratings Officer: James Sedgwick agreed to stand for reelection. Nominated and acclaimed to office.

Club Contact: Jean Waldron stepped down and did not stand for reelection. Seymour Berg nominated and acclaimed to office.

4) 2003 Canadian Open

Montreal expressed an interest in hosting the 2003 Canadian Open. Motion to accept host passed.

5) New Business Arising

Roy Lanston: Feels that CGA dues are too high given the number of services provided. Feels that cost may be a deterrent to people joining the CGA and wishes to reduce the dues. Since the Gazette is the major cost over which we have control, proposes reducing the number of printed Gazettes to one issue per year and reducing the membership fee to \$10/year.

Charles Chang: Feels that this is a mistake. The CGA represents Canada to the world and it is important to have a financially viable organization. The Gazette represents an important communication tool with its membership and should not be reduced.

James Sedgwick: Would other cities, for example Vancouver, be willing to charge CGA membership at local tournaments held throughout the year? *Response from Vancouver club contact confusing.*

Richard Liang: Can we approach the Ing foundation for funding?
Reponse from Charles Chang indicated that this has been investigated in the past without success.

Motion called to vote and carried 27-10.

6) Meeting adjourned.