The meeting was held via Skype and was called to order at 1:08 pm. Board members present were: Bob Howe, Martin Stahl, Nick Beatty, Ken West and Ken Jones. Absent: Jonathan Cannon, Thomas Rehmeier, Bruce Cantwell and Randy Merrell.

The next MCA BOD meeting date was set for Sunday, July 1st, 2018 at 8:30 am during the Missouri Class Championships in Lee's Summit, or via Skype. [Secretary's note: this meeting was postponed until September 30th.]

<u>Secretary's Minutes of last meeting</u>: A motion to accept the minutes of the September 2017 meeting as submitted by the Secretary was made by Martin Stahl and seconded by Nick Beatty. Approved unanimously.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as submitted was made by Bob Howe and seconded by Ken Jones. Approved unanimously. [Report attached.]

Membership Report: None available

<u>Missouri Scholastic Championships:</u> This tournament drew 528 players and had a profit of approximately \$300, due largely to the reduction in the number of plaques given.

<u>Missouri Open:</u> The place and date of this event had not yet been finalized at the time of this meeting.

Old Business:

Guidelines for sponsored events: no action was taken by the committee to draw up these guidelines.

New Business:

Randy Merrell: In an email, Randy Merrell notified us that he would be moving out of state sometime soon and that he would then resign his seat on the Board.

How to increase turnout of lower profile events: A roundtable discussion followed. Suggestions included finding ways of interesting new players in tournaments, Facebook advertising, and advertising on the MCA website.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:05 pm was made by Ken Jones, seconded by Ken West. Approved by acclimation.

Respectfully submitted, Ken Jones, Secretary [Attachment: Treasurer's Report]

The Missouri Chess Association

Treasurer's Report: October 2017 - April 2018

Account Summary

Beginning Balance: \$15,158.66

Total Deposits: \$ 10,457.18 \$ 9,481.00 State Scholastic \$ 631.18 Christmas Tree Open \$ 295.00 Memberships

\$ 50.00 Credit Card Rewards

Total Expenses: \$7,965.27

\$ 400.00 Denker and Barber Stipends \$ 631.18 Christmas Tree Open Expenses

\$ 925.46 State Scholastic Mailers

\$475.00 Event Insurance

\$ 225.25 State Scholastic Pens

\$1,696.90 State Scholastic Awards *not cleared

\$3,062.50 Table/Chair Rentals

\$ 441.23 State Scholastic Scorebooks

\$ 75.75 State HS Section Rating Fee

\$32.00 TD Incentive

Closing Balance: \$ 17,650.57 MCA Balance: \$ 7,277.65

MCA Scholastic Balance: \$ 10,372.92

Respectfully,

Martin Stahl Treasurer