

PERMANENT COMMISSION OF THE FIDE FOR CHESS COMPOSITIONS (PCCC)



XXXV. MEETING IN BONN, GERMANY 22.8.-29.8.1992

M I N U T E S

Official Participants

Dr Klaus WENDA	Austria	President
Drs Cor GOLDSCHMEDING	Netherlands	1st Vice-President
Jan HANNELIUS	Finland	Honorary-President
Helmut ZAJIC	Austria	Secretary
Uri AVNER	Israel	Delegate
Marco BONAVOGLIA	Italy	Delegate
Sonomun CHIMEDTZEREN	Mongolia	Delegate
Bernd ELLINGHOVEN	Germany	Delegate
Dr Bedrich FORMANEK	Czechoslovakia	Delegate
Dr Newman GUTTMAN	USA	Delegate
Hannu HARKOLA	Finland	Delegate
Laurent JOUDON	France	Delegate
Marko KLASINC	Slovenia(new member)	Delegate
Jan MORTENSEN	Denmark	Delegate
Manuel MUNOZ	Spain	Delegate
Vasha NEIDSE	Georgia(new member)	Delegate
Dr Jan RUSINEK	Poland	Delegate
Colin RUSS	Great Britain	Delegate
Aivars SPILBERGS	Latvia(new member)	Delegate
Tibor SZABO	Hungary	Delegate
Ignas VANDEMEULEBROUCKE	Belgium	Delegate
Josip VARGA	Croatia(new member)	Delegate
Jakov VLADIMIROV	Russian Fed.(new member)	Delegate
Kjell WIDLERT	Sweden	Delegate
Prof Byron ZAPPAS	Greece	Delegate
Barry P. BARNES	Great Britain	Honorary Member

Attila BENEDEK	Hungary	Honorary Member
Viktor CHEPIZHNY	Russian Fed.	Honorary Member
Dr Laszlo LINDNER	Hungary	Honorary Member

In the first session 19 of the 24 member countries were represented. After acceptance of the new applications (see § 4) 23 of 28 member countries were represented.

The following persons were excused:

Petko A. PETKOV	Bulgaria	3rd Vice-President
Marjan KOVACEVIC	Yugoslavia	Delegate
Virgil NESTORESCU	Rumania	Delegate
Felix SONNENFELD	Brazil	Delegate
Odette VOLLENWEIDER	Switzerland	Delegate

Roland BUKNE (Norway) attended the sessions as observer of his country without voting right.

Active visitors fulfilling tasks as members of subcommittees, tourney director, assistant director, etc, were:

K. Solja (Finland), Dr H. Axt, G. Büsing, M. Seidel (Germany), J. Beasley, J. Roycroft, C. Sydenham (Great Britain), H. le Grand (Netherlands), R. Baier (Switzerland).

M I N U T E S

§ 1 Opening address, act of remembrance for deceased problemists

After words of welcome Dr Wenda expressed his thanks for the invitation and declared the meeting open. He regretted the death of several famous problemists since the XXXIV. meeting. A minute of mourning and remembrance was held for: Dr G. Grzeban, N. Macleod, Dr G. Nadareishvili (2nd Vice-President), S. Seider, Th. Siers.

§ 2 Verification of attendance and voting rights

19 member countries (out of 24) were represented. The meeting was declared legal.

Dr Bedrich Formanek, replacing Ing Jaroslav Brada as delegate for Czechoslovakia, and Tibor Szabo, replacing Zoltan Laborczi as delegate for Hungary, were welcomed.

§ 3 Approval of the Rotterdam minutes 1991

The minutes of the XXXIV. meeting in Rotterdam were approved.

§ 4 Application of new members

The five written applications presented by the designated delegates were accepted by unanimous decision. President Wenda welcomed as new delegates: Josip VARGA (Croatia), Marko KLASINC (Slovenia), Vasha NEIDSE (Georgia), Aivars SPILBERGS (Latvia) and Jakov VLADIMIROV as delegate of the Russian Federation replacing the former USSR.

§ 5 Checking of the standing sub-committees:

1. Codex:

Dr H. Axt

G. Büsing

Dr B. Formanek

Drs C. Goldschmeding

Spokesman

J. Mortensen

C. Sydenham

2. Competitions:

K. Widlert

a) WCSC

U. Avner

Dr H. Axt

Spokesman

Drs C. Goldschmeding

K. Widlert

b) WCCT

U. Avner

B. Ellinghoven

Spokesman

Dr B. Formanek

new member

Dr J. Rusinek

J. Vladimirov

new member

Prof B. Zappas

c) Olympic composing tourneys

Prof B. Zappas

Spokesman

(no other member present)

It was the common opinion that this committee could be wound up.

d) Album and Publications

U. Avner

Dr H. Axt

G. Büsing

Dr N. Guttman

K. Solja

new member

T. Szabo

new member

K. Widlert

Spokesman

3. Qualifications

M. Bonavoglia

H. Harkola

V. Neidse

new member

I. Vandemeulebroucke

Spokesman

4. Computer matters:

Dr H. Axt

R. Baier

H. le Grand

Spokesman

Dr N. Guttman

L. Joudon
Dr L. Lindner
M. Schlosser

5. Studies:

L. Falk
W. Mees
V. Neidse
V. Nestorescu (absent)
J. Roycroft Spokesman
Dr J. Rusinek

§ 6 Notification of proposals by members

A proposal by the USA the was notified. A short discussion was devoted to a motion by N. Shankar Ram (India) who proposed a separate category of membership with no voting rights and no duty to participate in PCCC meetings. Dr Wenda saw no necessity of such a special category of membership. He declared his readiness to send on request information to India and to other interested countries without formal procedure.

Toma Garai's (USA) proposal to divide each future Album into two separate volumes, one for direct mates and the other for the rest, was left for discussion in the subcommittee for Album and Publications (see § 8).

§ 7 Competitions

7.1. The 16th World Chess Solving Championship

Results:

Teams:	1. Russian Fed. (titlewinner)	148 points
	2. Finland	140 points
	3. France	136 points
	4. Germany	125 points
	5. Israel	119 points
	6. Switzerland	118 points
	7. Great Britain	111 points
	8. Netherlands	101 points
	9. Slovenia	100 points
	10. Poland	97 points

11. Czechoslovakia	95 points
12. Belgium	74 points

- Individuals:
1. Pauli Perkonoja, Finland (World Champion)
 2. Sergei Rummyantzev, Russian Fed.
 3. Georgij Evsejev, Russian Fed.

7.2. The 4th WCCT: final report, official result

Dr Rusinek, representing director E. Iwanow, announced the final result of the 4th WCCT:

1st place Russian Fed. (title winner)

2nd place Czechoslovakia

3rd place Poland

Diplomas were awarded to the three best teams and to the three best composers in every section. Dr Wenda expressed his congratulations to the successful teams and his thanks to the organizers (especially E. Iwanow and Bernd Ellinghoven).

7.3. FIDE-Album tourney 1983-85, report by the president

Dr Wenda informed the commission that the Album had appeared now after a long delay, and added words of thanks to the editor, Josip Varga.

7.4. FIDE-Album tourney 1986-88, report by the directors

Beside P. le Grand, who had finished his 3# section already in Rotterdam 1991, other directors could present a final report, but some could announce only a preliminary award. But there is visible progress, bringing a good chance to finish all sections by the end of 1992.

7.5. 5th WCCT, selection of themes and judges, date of announcement

As the subcommittee had not received enough suitable themes for a decision, different countries were appointed to propose additional themes by the end of 1992.

7.6. FIDE-Album tourney 1989-91, selection of judges, date of announcement

The proposal by the subcommittee for Album and Publications concerning selection of Album judges and directors (including reserves) was accepted by unanimous decision. Kjell Widlert is going to contact the respective persons. The official announcement will be sent out by the end of November. The closing date for the entries is 1st August 1993.

7.7. Printing of the Albums 1986-88 and 1989-91, translation of the Album register

Josip Varga offered to continue the printing of the Albums in Croatia with the usual quality. A second offer was made by the team Denis Blondel (France) and Bernd Ellinghoven (Germany). They announced their intention to improve the level of the Album with a revised and completed theme register in three languages. Dr Wenda delegated the matter to the subcommittee for careful consideration. Finally, the subcommittee proposed the acceptance of the French-German offer, which seemed to promise a new and better quality standard. The commission agreed (23 members present, 16 in favour, 1 against, 6 abstentions).

§ 8 Publications

Report by the subcommittee and the centre for errata lists

In his detailed report K. Widlert pointed out many items.

1st point: Proposal by Prof B. Zappas to consider the selected problems of the 4th WCCT already for the Album 1989-91.

This should be a matter for the Codex subcommittee. The commission agreed (see § 10).

2nd point: Proposal by T. Garai (see § 6). The subcommittee did not support the proposal. Bernd Ellinghoven from the printers point of view also saw no advantage. The majority of the delegates rejected the proposal.

3rd point: Difficulties with a very high number of entries in the twomover section of the Album. After a long discussion the subcommittee proposed to divide the work by appointing two completely different teams of judges. Drs Goldschmeding supported by some other delegates pointed to several disadvantages. It would be rather difficult to find 6 judges of an equal standard. The enormous work of the director would increase. The subcommittee did not insist on this proposal. So for the Album 1989-91 3 judges are to be appointed in the 2# section as usual.

4th point: Proposals by Th. Tauber (Israel) regarding FIDE Album and entries. Following his proposal the commission recommended the use of a standard size DIN A5 for sheets. The question whether dedications should come into the Album or not was left to the editor. After discussion the subcommittee recommended the use of Cyrillic or Latin letters, depending on the nationality of the author. But only the capital letters of the Cyrillic alphabet should be need.

It was further recommended to give a more exact description of the source (number of the problem in the respective magazine) in the entries and to add the remark "tested by computer" if this should be the case. Afterwards G. Büsing gave a short report about the work of the centre for errata lists in the last year.

§ 9 Qualifications

Granting of titles, proposals and report by the Qualifications Committee

Spokesman I. Vandemeulebroucke announced the recommendations of the committee to grant the following titles.

- a) The title "Grandmaster of the FIDE for Chess Compositions" to Fadil Abdurahmanovic (Bosnia/Herzegovina) and Dr Jan Rusinek (Poland)

b) The title "International Master of the FIDE for Chess Compositions" to:

Unto Heinonen	(Finland)
Yehuda Hoch	(Israel)
Jean-Marc Loustau	(France)
Miodrag Mladenovic	(Yugoslavia)
Dieter Müller	(Germany)
Manne Persson	(Sweden)
Narajan Shankar Ram	(India)
Kjell Widlert	(Sweden)

c) The title "FIDE Master for Chess Compositions" to:

Roland Baier	(Switzerland)
Harry Fougiaxis	(Greece)
Veikko Hynönen	(Finland)
Vjaceslav Kopaev	(Russian Federation)
Andrzej Lewandowski	(Poland)
Mircea Manolescu	(Rumania)
Zdravko Maslar	(Germany)
Bronislav Olimpiev	(Russian Federation)
Oleg Pervakov	(Russian Federation)
Alexander Sochnev	(Russian Federation)
Almiro Zarur	(Brazil)

d) The title "International Judge of the FIDE for Chess Compositions" to:

Francisco Simoni (Italy) for twomovers and helpmates
Günter Lauinger (Germany) for retros and mathematics
Dr Helmuth Morgenthaler (Germany) for threemovers
Bengt Ingre (Sweden) for threemovers

The title of Helmut Zajic (Austria) was extended for twomovers.

All titles were granted by unanimous decision of the 21 delegates present. Special thanks were expressed to Hannu Harkola for his enormous work, evaluating the director's lists and making the point calculations.

The title "Honorary Master of Problem Chess" was granted to Colin Vaughan (Great Britain) by acclamation.

§ 10 Codex, report by the subcommittee.

Spokesman Drs Goldschmeding reviewed the following two main questions concerning part 2 of the Codex:

1. How to treat originals in the solving competitions
2. How to treat originals for the WCCT without names of the authors only for testing of soundness.

In his opinion such originals should not be declared as published at this time.

After the proposal by Prof Zappas (see § 8, 1st point) had been discussed intensively Dr Wenda recommended a special decision to apply only to the 4th WCCT to avoid general questions.

It was the common opinion not to disadvantage the composers by the delay of the WCCT-report. So the commission decided to give all composers the right to send their problems and studies of the 4th WCCT as entries to the Album 1989-1991, although the award was published in 1992.

(20 members present, 17 in favour, 2 against, 1 abstention)

§ 11 Statutes

Editorial amendments, report by the President

Dr Wenda reported that textual amendments are in preparation (team Wenda, Russ). The new member countries will be included in Annex I. A new issue of the Statutes will be distributed next year.

§ 12 System for evaluating Album problems (Proposal by Austria

(Benidorm minutes pt 12)

To have a better basis for calculation, the Album directors should be asked to send a list to Kjell Widlert containing the distribution of points and half points among all the Album entries.

§ 13 Contacts with big FIDE, report by the President

Dr Wenda reported about the reelection of President Campomanes and his very good contacts with him. On the occasion of a meeting of the FIDE Presidium in Graz President Campomanes had expressed his kind regards to all problemists wishing best success and a hearty welcome to all new PCCC members.

§ 14 Future meetings and future WCSC

14.1. Invitation 1993

Invitations were submitted by 4 member countries. The voting by secret ballot brought 13 votes for Czechoslovakia (venue Bratislava), 3 votes for France, 3 votes for Israel, 1 vote for Mongolia (20 members present). So the next meeting will take place in Bratislava in the week 28.8.-4.9.1993.

14.2. Invitation 1994

The French delegate declared his offer to be valid also for 1994, and asked for a decision already this year to to facilitate organization and contact with sponsors.

Israel also maintained its offer for 1994. A secret ballot had the result:

12 votes for France, 8 votes for Israel (20 members present). So the meeting in 1994 will take place in the period end of August/beginning of September in the surroundings of Paris.

§ 15 Computer matters, report by the subcommittee

Following to a German proposal, H. le Grand recommended in his report certain standards for the description of problems, so that different programmes could use the input. Regarding the work of the committee in the last year, he referred to his circular letter No 11, delivered to all delegates. Decisions in this matter were postponed to next year, in order to get more information in the meantime.

§ 16 Any other business

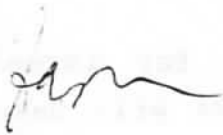
J. Roycroft distributed a paper with the Study of the year 1988 (A. Maximovich and V. Dolgov, win, 1.pr Kozlov Mem.Ty 1987/88) to the delegates. It had been selected by the sub-committee with the consent of the member countries. He reported that the English guidelines for study tourneys in the form of a draft had been translated meanwhile into the Russian language.

Referring to the Study composition match USSR-rest of the world, K. Widlert reported that it will be finished by the end of 1992. There seems to be a clear win by (the former) USSR. Winfried Kuhn reported about his work to complete a register containing the personal data of all important problemists in the world.

As there was no other business the President declared the meeting closed.

Vienna, November 1992

H. Zajic



Dr K. Wenda