

College Chess Committee – Open Meeting

January 3rd, Sunday 6PM ET -- zoom

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Agenda

1. 2020/21 Pan American Championship updates - Abel Talamantez, Judit Sztaray.
2. College Chess Calendar, 2021.
 - a. 2021 College Chess online League - Constantine
 - b. Kasparov Chess Foundation University Cup, February 6-7. <https://en.chessbase.com/post/kcf-university-cup-preview> - Alex
 - c. US Collegiate Women's Team Championship, dates, format - Alex
 - d. Final Four: Discuss format and dates.
 - e. US Blitz and Rapid. Dates and format - Alejandro
3. 2021/22 PanAms.
 - a. Discuss the following topics:
 - b. Deadlines to submit a proposal for 2021/22 Pan American Championship. Online vs face-to face.
 - c. --If the PanAms have to be held online again, can you suggest improvements in the following areas?
 - i. -The number of rounds or time controls;
 - ii. -The "fair play" (anti-cheating) requirements for participating online;
 - iii. -The ways of substantiating eligibility;
 - iv. -Any other areas.
 - d. --Distribution of prizes at the PanAms. Teams potentially winning their rating division AND one of the special awards (top all-women's, top small college, top community college etc)? Can they win both? Can they choose? Can they be "forced" to take one over the other? Any other solutions?
 - e. --The following item pertains to both in-person and online versions of the PanAms:
 1. Currently, colleges can send an unlimited number of all-GM and IM teams to the PanAms, and all are eligible to compete for first place. This allows schools with big scholarship funding to have multiple chances to win. There is a proposal to limit schools to only one team with an average rating above FIDE 2400 (this precise rating is only an example). A multi-year notice would be given for implementation for this rule.
 - ii. Do you think this change in the rules would be an overall improvement?
 - iii. Do you have other suggestions regarding this concern?
4. Questions and open discussion.

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