



**International Braille Chess Association
Presidential Board meeting - Minutes
Sunday, September 20, 2026 at 14:00 UTC
Zoom**

Present:

Piotr Dukaczewski, 1st vice-president
Nikos Kalesis, 2nd vice-president
Olivier Deville, secretary
Marilyn Bland, invited, without voting rights

Absent:

Thorsten Mueller, treasurer

Proposed agenda:

- §1 Opening of meeting
- §2 List of participants and establishment of quorum
- §3 Establishment of agenda
- §4 Preparations for Congress
- §5 Upcoming tournaments
- §6 Reports
- §7 Eventual other questions
- §8 Closing of the meeting

§1 Opening of meeting

Piotr Dukaczewski, 1st vice-president, opens the meeting and welcomes the participants.

§2 List of participants and establishment of quorum

3 members out of 4 are present. The quorum is established.

§3 Establishment of agenda

The proposed agenda is approved by the board.

§4 Preparations for Congress

Nikos sent to the board two documents: IBCA Arbiters Commission Regulations and IBCA Regulations for the Title of International IBCA Arbiter. These two documents are approved by the board and will be submitted to the vote of the Congress.

§5 Upcoming tournaments

Junior and Women's World championship, European individual championship (classical and rapid) in October in Crete, Greece: The hotel is very good, and everything is going smoothly.

Panamerican championship in October in Sao Paulo, Brazil: Around 90 participants are expected.

Asian championship in November in Karachi, Pakistan: at least 40 participants are expected.

Team European championship in April 2027 in Benidorm, Spain: A pre-invitation will be circulated shortly.

World Individual championship, second half of 2027: some bids have been received. The board will make a decision very soon.

§6 Reports

Piotr's report about: Olympiads for disabled in September in Samarkand, Uzbekistan: 40 teams took part, and IBCA got 5th place, which is a good result. The IBCA team was composed of Predrag Nikac, Piotr Dukaszewski, Mihail Dacian Pribeanu, Veronika Racis and Michal Racis. The event was very well organized. All expenses, accomodation and flight tickets, were paid by FIDE.

Marilyn is working on a Chess Queens arena on Lichess, with a time control of 25 + 15.

Piotr mentions that 20 DGT Echo clocks will be sent to Greece by the DGT company, in accordance with the agreement between DGT and IBCA.

§7 Eventual other questions

No questions.

§8 Closing of the meeting

No one asking to speak, the 1st vice-president closes the meeting.

Olivier Deville
Secretary IBCA