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- BY **SEVAN MURADIAN** ON TUE SEP 28, 2010 1:05 AM #200125

I'm going to use this thread for both the European and Americas.

European was in the morning. Was supposed to be for 3, 2 hr sessions and bleed into the afternoon but it was taken care of in the morning only.

Mostly discussed the methods of dealing with rounds of voting for the ECU posts. Originally the ECU elections, because of the size, were to be pushed the day after all other elections but it was decided to keep it at the same time as the others. Budget was not approved and will be passed to the new board. The sitting board said that tying the hands of the incoming board would not be fair.

Most other business was passed along to the General Assembly.

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- BY **CRUME** ON TUE SEP 28, 2010 8:20 AM #200136

*Sevan Muradian wrote:*Most other business was passed along to the General Assembly.

So, at this rate, will the GA meeting take days on end to complete, or will everyone be so drained from the election that they'll table everything to committees and come back in a few years?

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This never happened in meetings that I have attended.

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Agreed and this is what the commission meetings have been for. When there were topics that agreement could not be reached, it was tabled for further review at the next Olympiad Congress in 2012.

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- BY **SEVAN MURADIAN** ON TUE SEP 28, 2010 2:24 PM #200170
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America's Continental Meeting

The meeting was held in a poor location. It was difficult to hear Jorge who speaks lightly as it is. There was the Continental Asia conference going on next door and they were very loud. It didn't help that some of the federations there were being rude by not being quiet when Jorge, Allen, or Beatriz were speaking and thought this was a hotel lounge or when the administrative staff in the back couldn't take their conversations outside.

Went through the presidents report and the financial report. Request from the Argentina federation to provide support during the GA for the FIDE Teacher certification levels (1 thru 5) as a recognition point for those that cannot qualify as a FIDE Instructor or Trainer but are still providing a valuable service of teaching chess in the schools.

Went through awarding of events for the remainder of 2010 and throughout 2011. Two events will be coming to the US: North American Youth Championships (which previously has been held in Canada and Mexico). Beatriz will be organizing this in New York. Beatriz was able to split away the Amateur portion of the Continental Absolute Championships which Mexico is organizing and I'll be organizing the 2011 Continental Amateur Championships for

U2200 in the Chicago area (somewhat similar to the World Amateur but this covers only the Americas and will now be for U2200 instead of U2000).

Ruth and I noticed trends that we'd had to wait until 2012 to take advantage of such as the creation of new events like the North American Team Championships, North American Senior Championships, etc. because South America gets their own, the Caribbean gets their own, Central America gets their own, so what about the rest of us? I spoke to Beatriz about getting those events and she stated that we'd have to wait until the 2011 meeting to request them for 2012 but sees no reason why it would be denied.

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