Florida Chess Association Candidate Information and Campaign Statement Deadline: August 4, 2022

Requirements for board candidates per the FCA Bylaws https://www.floridachess.org/By-Laws Every nominee must meet each item 1-5:

- 1. Been continuous member of the FCA and US Chess since before March 1st of the election year
- 2. Must be 16 years or older
- 3. Meet **one** of the following:
 - a) Have a USCF or FIDE chess rating, either over-the-board or correspondence.
 - b) Be a certified tournament director with one (1) USCF event in the previous two (2) years.
 - c) Participated in the Florida State Championship tournament or at least one (1) of its side events (G-29, G-15, G-5 championships, for example) in the previous five (5) years.
- 4. Minimum one-year of Florida residency
- 5. In good standing with the FCA (Article VIII Section 10).

Save and send this form to the Elections Committee Chair at this email address: elections@floridachess.org. You can also use this email address for any questions about the vetting criteria.

NAME (First Last): Michael Moschos Florida Resident since (year): 1983

US Chess ID # 15931653 US Chess Expiration Date: January 31, 2024

Board Status: New, Returning or Incumbent: Years: Been a board member since 9/2020 (3 years)

If Incumbent, Positions held: Director at Large

If Incumbent, your accomplishments of note while on the board:

Organized/Assisted in Directing the Florida State Senior Championship in 2021 & 2022

Organized/Assisted in Directing the Florida State Senior Open in 2023

Contributed multiple articles for publication to the FCA magazine

Worked with Centennial Middle School (Dade City, FL.) teacher to obtain approval for a chess club.

Worked proactively to increase the membership of the Florida Chess Association

Chess Bio: (Player Accomplishments, Current Rating/Peak Rating, Coaching, Author, Organizer, Parent, Tournament Director, other applicable info):

1200's/1484

TD Certification Level: Local Tournament Director Tournaments worked 40 tournaments (since Jan. 1, 1991)

Tournament Organizer: Organized approximately 20+ events primarily in The Villages including state championships, club to club matches, Simultaneous Exhibitions and other tournaments.

Organized chess training events

Coaching: Elementary School Children at After School Program at CUMC in Fruitland Park, FL

Please list skills or experience of benefit to board service:

Organization, Marketing, Outreach
Leadership (Lead and Managed individuals for approximately 30 years)
Management Skills, MBA in Management
Several international contacts (WGM, GM, etc.) from Italy, Ukraine and India

Why are you running for the FCA board?

- 1) I enjoy meeting and helping people in the Florida chess community
- 2) Interested/serving in the current/potential growth opportunity with Central Florida Chess
- 3) Excellent vehicle to communicate players, organizers and TD needs.

Campaign statement: If elected, what will I seek to accomplish for the Florida Chess Community?

Help with the continuation of the goals and objectives of the Florida Chess Association. Expand networking between chess clubs across Florida.

Share lessons learned from organizing and directing tournaments to other organizers/directors.

Increase the membership of Florida Chess Association (educate individuals of the roles of the FCA)

Get involved with Chess Club training needs from videos, on-line/live presentations, etc. Support the USCF overall mission and goals.