**Florida Chess Association Candidate Information and**

**Campaign Statement**

**Deadline: August 23, 2020**

**Requirements for board candidates:** Per the FCA Bylaws, all candidates must have been a continuous

member of the FCA and US Chess since before March 1st of the election year (see By-Laws Article III

Section 3). They must also be a voting member of the FCA. Each candidate must have minimum

one-year of Florida residency and in good standing with the FCA (Article VIII Section 10). All potential

candidates will be reviewed against the criteria in the By-Laws. See

<https://www.floridachess.org/By-Laws>

*Note: All information presented will be placed on the FCA website, but only a condensed bio will be included in the Summer edition of the floridaCHESS newsletter. Save and send this form to the Elections Committee Chair at this email address: elections@floridachess.org.*

**NAME (First Last): \_Jon Haskel \_\_\_\_ Florida Resident since (year): \_1975\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**US Chess ID # 12444802\_\_\_ US Chess Expiration Date: \_11/30/2020\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Board Status: New, Returning or Incumbent: \_Incumbent\_\_\_\_\_** **Years: \_At least 20\_**

**If Incumbent, Positions held: \_Pres., Sec’y, Regional V.P., Director at Large\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**If Incumbent, your accomplishments of note while on the board**: \_Helping to increase the availability of chess activity to the players in the state.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Chess Bio: (Player Accomplishments, Current Rating/Peak Rating, Coaching, Author, Organizer, Parent,**

**Tournament Director, other applicable info): No great player accomplishments (and my rating reflects this), although I do enjoy playing whenever I can, but my son is a master and has won three national championships. I am the first person in the United States to have held all three of these titles simultaneously: National Tournament Director, FIDE Internal Arbiter and FIDE International Organizer. I am also a member of seven US Chess committees.**

**Please list skills or experience of benefit to board service: I have directed and organized numerous tournaments over the years and helped with the governance of chess both Nationally and in the State.**

**Why are you running for the FCA board? To help the chess players in Florida and to help increase the exposure of chess to the citizens of Florida.**

**Campaign statement: If elected, what will I seek to accomplish for the Florida Chess Community? To make the chess playing experience in Florida as best and as enjoyable as possible.**