Motivation Letter

A couple of people have asked me to be on the IAM board, so here we go. In brief, this is what I'd like to see the IAM do in future.

I'd like to see a formal structure for board decisions, involving monthly board meetings/votes — people can suggest a proposal for the next meeting and everyone can discuss it online, then at the monthly meeting (which should be a quick formality, since the discussion has already happened) the board members can each vote yes or no, and if the proposal is accepted, then it's put into action. Proposals might be something like a new official IAM anti-discrimination policy, or a change to the numbers of digits in a row, or anything else.

I want to see a focus on bringing new people into the world of memory competitions — a website that you can come to knowing nothing about memory championships and learn everything you need to know, and as many competitions on the calendar as possible.

I'd like to expand the different types of competition, increase the use of electronic recall as much as possible, have a lot more video footage of events splashed across the internet, spread the word about the IAM levels system until everybody's excited about it, and most of all, have everybody around the world join together in a friendly way to memorise as many cards and numbers as humanly possible!

Please ask me anything you want to know!

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