November 15, 2010 San Francisco, CA

NCA National Convention

Phi Rho Pi Executive Committee Meeting MINTES WERE APPROVED AT THE 2011 NCA NATIONAL CONVENTION

I. Call to Order – Cynthia Dewar-Kudsi Call To Order at 3:34 pm

II. Officer Reports

A. Secretary Report – Duane Fish (presented in the absence of John Schultz

1. Presented minutes from Chicago November 2010 (NCA) MSP.

B. Treasurer Report – Wade Hescht

1. Presented the profit and loss report for July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. Total Income: \$52,518.90. Total Expenses: \$51,517.65. PRP finished the fiscal year with a net income of \$1,010.68. **MSP.**

C. Comptroller Report – Lisa Benedetti

1. The Income/Expense sheet for FY of July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010. Beginning Balance: \$196,107.28. Ending Balance: \$208.332.03. Net income of \$12,224.75. **MSP.**

D. Vice President of Association Report – Jeff Przybylo

- Discussed the COFO meeting and encouraged individuals to the COFO website and encouraged members to list invitationals on the COFO site.
- 2. Highlighted that the PRP will have to spend \$200 to maintain the website.
- 3. Addressed the initiative by Phi Delta Kappa to foster new program growth. NFL points will continue into college competition through this initiative. Action will provide an excellent recruiting tool as well as an inducement program.
- 4. CRAFT had 50 people in attendance. Rich West is giving each unit 85% of the slots they had last year. The other slots will be put in a pool for those on the theme. This allows us to have the option to get some additional panels next year. CRAFT next year will be themed "Voice". He encouraged everyone to start thinking about various activities focused on that theme.

E. President Report – Cynthia Dewar-Kudsi

- 1. Cynthia asked for volunteers to serve on committees.
- 2. Noted that the website had been hacked. It is running, but there are still minor issues with it.
- 3. Kirt Shineman was nominated to be Vice President Elect for the Community College Section. Everyone was encouraged to attend the meeting tomorrow morning to vote.
- 4. The theme for next year's conference in New Orleans is Voice.

F. Vice President of Tournament – Duane Fish

- 1. Rule changes:
 - a. Extemp speeches **Must** be the work of the student.
 - b. Extemp preparation may utilize any electronic as well as internet access.
 - c. Electronic devices may not be used for any purpose once preparation time has begun.
 - d. VP for tournament was directed at the general business meeting in New Orleans to establish language which provided double entry in NFA-LD and STE and/or CA. This has been completed. The new language states: Students may enter IT, CA, and STE in any combination. They may also enter NFA-LD, CA, and STE in any combination. Students may not enter IT and NFA-LD.
- 2. Site visit: Introduced the co-hosts, Trent Webb from Nassau CC and Thomas Bovino from Suffolk CC to comment on this year's national tournament. Everything is in readiness. There was a very successful site visit in June with Duane, Cynthia, and Wade. He noted that most teams would probably want to have some vehicle at the tournament. He noted that White Plains is the closest airport about 15 minutes away. The New York airports are about 45 minutes from the hotel. Thomas is going to offer a theatre excursion for PRP participants. \$50-\$60 for train and show. It will be offered on Sunday April 10 prior to the beginning of the tournament. Teams will have to commit to this in February with numbers. The theme for the tournament will be: "The Forensics Follies of 2011." There is a rough draft of the t-shirt design that was shown to the participants. There will be Broadway performers at the Banquet.
- 3. Duane reported that as with any hotel, there are a few logistical issues and some problems that we are working through. He noted that expects that all of the issues will be resolved shortly.

III. Committee Reports

A. Publications/Website – Rolland Petrello

Commented on the hacking of the website. The pages and the files are there, but there are not any menus to get to those files. He is working to get those items corrected. It should be up and running in two weeks. He recommended that we switch hosts. Duane moved and Wade seconded that we change our website from Blue Host to GoDaddy. <u>MSP.</u>

B. Site – Jeff Pryzbylo

Site Committee: Jeff talked about the new document for hotel solicitation. We have contracted with Expediate to identify and research properties. He reminded everyone to go through the Site Committee to get connected to the group. The process is going well. The company understands our needs and doing a good job working for us.

C. Tournament Evaluations - Edwin Tiongsen No Report

D. Developmental Summit – Multiple Presenters

The Developmental IE conference was held in Minneapolis. Wade talked about his experience in the conference with Service Learning. M'Liss commented that they considered changing categories in interpretation from genre to voice. Bonnie Gable commented gave some additional background on this discussion. The idea is to try to get away from all first person narratives. Rolland talked about SLOs (Student Learning Outcomes). The assessment materials that came out of the conference as well and it is very quality information that is available for those that are interested. The multiple woven duos were also a topic of discussion at the conference. The vote on whether or not to allow that rule to continue will be done at the AFA tournament

IV. Old Business

No other old business.

V. New Business

Duane moved to send to rules the codification of the sweepstakes structure as well as the schedule change. **MSP.**

VI. Adjournment

Moved to adjourn at 4:30. Cynthia moved to go to executive session. Executive Session closed at 4:45 pm.