

April 8, 2010
New Orleans, LA
Acadia Ballroom
8:15
Phi Rho Pi General Business Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER

1. The president called the meeting to order at 8:27 p.m. The recording secretary called roll for coach and student of each member school.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

III. OFFICER'S REPORTS

A. Recording Secretary – John Schultz

1. Presented the minutes from Portland 2009 and asked for corrections.
2. Motion was made to accept the minutes. **MSP**
3. Announced that updated directory will be posted on the PRP website for members.

B. President – Cynthia Dewar

1. Announced lack of participation in one of the ad hoc committees.
2. Announced that a committee formed to examine the number of slots and elaborated on the rule change which was implemented at PRP 2010
3. Announced that tourney admin changed schedule to accommodate debate slots to increase participation – which it did.
4. Allowed M'Liss Hindman to speak on AFA initiative which featured random visits for ethicality to determine the value and credibility of events – primarily public speaking events and limited preparation. IE-L has changed hosts. Other interp initiatives are being considered including interp reclassification

C. Vice President of Association – Jeff Przybylo

1. No action items. Information on NCA – PRP is being awarded a 3rd slot at the convention in regard to the Irvine Valley 'project'.

D. Vice President of Tournament – Duane Fish

1. Please refer to Item IV A.

E. Treasurer – Wade Hescht

1. Submitted financial report for July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.
 - A. Total income of \$53,105.18
 - B. Total expense of \$61,639.48
 - C. Net loss of \$8,534.30

2. Motion was made to accept the report. **MSP**

E. Comptroller – Lisa Benedetti

1. Submitted report for July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.
 - A. Beginning balance of \$219,724.09
 - B. Total cash received was \$53,723.92
 - C. Total cash disbursed was \$61,639.48
 - D. Ending balance was 196,107.28
2. Motion was made to accept the report. **MSP**

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Inter-organization – Jeff Przybylo

1. Vice –President Announcements – reminder of the IE summit in Bloomington in August 2010. Introduced Bill Cue to speak on the council of international intercollegiate debate exchanges. Commented on the movement to dissolve the organizing group. Encouraged the group to consider passing a motion to express support for the CIDD as an organization. Motion made. **MSP.**
2. Mt. Hood will host Pi Kappa Delta March 24- 27.

B. Site Selection – Jeff Przybylo

1. No bids have been considered for 2013. JP announced that he has identified a company to help with site selection for future years. The company does not cost the organization any funds to utilize their services.

B. Nominations – Paul Cummins – No Report

D. Awards – Chris Miller – No Report

E. Ethics – Lauren Morgan – No Report

F. Tournament Evaluation – Edwin Tiongson

1. Reminded everyone to participate in the survey on Saturday. Will be offering t-shirt raffle to those who participate.

G. Constitution & By-Laws – Kari Janeke – No Report

H. Interpretation – Kirt Shineman – No Report

I. Public Speaking – Roxanne Tuscany – No Report

J. Rules – Stephanie Fleming

1. Proposal to change wording that “the speech should be the work of the student” to “the speech **MUST** be the work of the student.” **MSP.**
2. Proposal to allow students who enter NFA-LD to double enter in CA or STE. Cautiously presented by the committee because of the logistics. Comment on 80th floor concern. Motion to limit debate to 5 minutes total. Debate ensued pro and con. Division of the House. **Motion passed.**

3. Proposal to clarify use of electronic access for extemporaneous speaking preparation. Language states that PRP does not forbid or encourage the use of such devices but the proposal brings current practice in line with stated guidelines. **MSP.**

K. Debate – Mark Nelson

1. Proposal that electronic devices should not be used for any purpose. Motion was postponed until page 10 proposal. This motion was revisited after the ‘materials’ motion failed. Friendly amendment to change language that forbids use of any electronic devices once ‘preparation time has begun’. **MSP.**
2. Proposal to amend the preparation to expand definition to ‘materials’ rather than current practice of ‘dictionary and/or almanac.’ **Motion Failed.**
3. Proposal that non-electronic materials may be consulted during preparation time. **Motion Failed.**

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Tournament Director – Duane Fish

1. Directed coaches to peruse the entries summary on the back page of the packets.
2. Announced moving of judges’ lounge to floor 41. As compensation the hotel will be giving PRP multiple internet lines. Also competition rooms will be moved. Officers will be giving up their rooms for out rounds.
3. Announced competition rooms to be used on Friday. Released selected rooms. First two rounds are already posted in the hotel and online.
4. Proposal that PRP continues the current method of determining sweepstakes division remain the same for 2011 tournament. **MSP.**
5. Proposal that PRP continue to allow a change in schedule to accommodate entries in debate for the 2011 tournament. **MSP.**

B. Tournament Host – John Schultz

1. Thanked the membership for attending.

C. Judges Table – Paul Cummins / Jolinda Ramsey

1. No report. Final judging assignments posted online.

D. Regional Governors – Jeff Pryzbylo

1. New Governors: New Region 1 - Jason Ames. Region 3 - Jessica Hurless. Region 4 - Paul Cummings. Region 5 - Bill Cue.

F. 2011 Tournament Host – Trent Webb

1. Nassau and Suffolk are co-hosting. \$105 inclusive. Very close to NYC.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: John Schultz, Recording Secretary

