

**November 17, 2012**  
**Orlando, FL**  
**NCA National Convention**  
**Phi Rho Pi Executive Committee Meeting**  
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***MINTES TO BE APPROVED AT THE 2013 NCA NATIONAL CONVENTION***

**I. Call to Order – Cynthia Dewar-Kudsi**

Call To Order at 8:07 am.

Took a moment to pay respect to Collier Patton, coach from Lone Star College – Kingwood, to recognize his passing over the summer.

**II. Officer Reports**

**A. Secretary Report – John Schultz**

1. Presented minutes from New Orleans November 2011 (NCA). **MSP.** Minutes from PRP business meeting in Schaumburg will be posted on the website for membership perusal.

**B. Treasurer Report – Wade Hesch**

1. Net Income: \$45,476.62. Net Expenses: \$47,294.54. **MSP.** Reported that the net loss was almost exactly the same amount as the cost of the t-shirts. Recommended that the shirt cost should be covered by individual schools and not PRP. This would be a one year pilot program. **MSP.**

**C. Comptroller Report – Lisa Benedetti**

1. The Income/Expense sheet for FY of July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 Beginning Balance \$231,259.45. Ending Balance \$229,441.52. **MSP.**

**D. Vice President of Association Report – Jeff Przybylo**

1. Craft session is slated for a 3:30 time in the Dolphin Hemisphere Salon III. Encouraged PRP members to attend because future panels are based on current year attendance. This year's CRAFT session is technology.
2. NCA 2013 is in Washington, D.C and will take place between November 21 – 24. The theme of the conference is "Connections". Submissions for CRAFT and Paper panels are due on March 27. The organization will begin accepting submissions beginning January 24, 2013. Phi Rho Pi is getting 2 slots for next year, but encouraged members to submit panels because there are other organizations which could host panel submission ideas.

3. Stated that site proposals are now being accepted for PRP 2016. Jill Kratz from Experient will assist potential hosts with hotel searches and negotiations. For any other questions, contact Jeff Przybylo at 847-567-2512.

**E. President Report – Cynthia Dewar-Kudsi**

1. Cynthia wanted to gather demographics about member schools at PRP. Believes statistics could help programs in jeopardy as well as illustrate how the organization and activity increases student success. Asked for ideas on the best practice to gather the data.
2. The website is in the process of being rebuilt. Asked for members to provide input for the redesign. Projected rollout of new version is January 2013. Discussion ensued about the history of the site (access issues, past hacking incident, current information, etc.) Discussion then moved to creating a social media presence through Facebook and Twitter. Fred Ebert, from Northwest College volunteered to work CD on creating this communication avenue.

**F. Vice President of Tournament – Duane Fish**

1. DF commented on the tournament evaluations. Thanked John Nash for the excellent job his team and staff did on hosting in 2012. Also reiterated the tournament evaluation results were very complimentary with the exception
2. Rule changes: Thanks TB and JV for their assistance. TB made great efforts within the committee structure to clean up language regarding interpretation events. JV has been working on a tournament brochure reformatting design.
3. An important rule change does include hybrid IT for the 2013 tournament.
4. Other minor changes will be included in the brochure.
5. Spoke with the 2013 tournament hosts last evening. LA Valley has turned over sponsorship tasks to an on campus person who will attempt to keep costs at bay. Site visit was effective – PRP has been there before. LA Valley expects to have shirt designs ready by January.
6. Tourney schedule is shortened for 2013. Banquet to take place on Tuesday night. For 2014 in Denver, the organization is back to the longer schedule. Beginning in 2015 (Cleveland), the shortened schedule will be the preferred model that will be followed. Question from the floor inquired about sponsorships and if they are welcomed. Discussion ensued and group sentiment was that it was a good idea, but that the executive committee should develop a set of guidelines to

ensure quality control of such an initiative. NFL uses corporate sponsorships and may be one organization to contact regarding policy.

### **III. Committee Reports**

#### **A. Publications/Website – Rolland Petrello**

No Report.

#### **B. Site – Jeff Pryzbylo**

No Report. Stated that there were many positive comments about Schaumburg nationals. Encouraged members to consider putting forth bids for 2016.

### **IV. Old Business**

No old business.

### **V. New Business**

Jessica Hurless reported on PRP 2014. Spoke about general planning and themes of the event.

LB commented on the status of Chris Lowry who suffered a brain aneurism. Larry Radden gave the group an update on his overall status. Stated that the recovery is going remarkably well and that his spirits are high. Added that the family is in need of financial assistance to help them through this episode. Chris is hoping to return to the classroom.

### **VI. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 8:55 am.