

November 23, 2013
Washington, D.C.
NCA National Convention
Phi Rho Pi Executive Committee Meeting
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MINTES TO BE APPROVED AT THE 2014 NCA NATIONAL CONVENTION

I. Call to Order – Cynthia Dewar-Kudsi

Call To Order at 9:30 am.

II. Officer Reports

A. Secretary Report – John Schultz

1. Presented minutes from Orlando, November 2012 (NCA). **MSP.**
Minutes from PRP business meeting in Woodland Hills will be posted on the website for membership perusal.

B. Treasurer Report – Wade Hescht

1. Net Income: \$52,529.78. Net Expenses: \$49,408.19. **MSP.**
Commented that 2013 nationals was a financially sound year for the organization.

C. Comptroller Report – Lisa Benedetti

1. The Income/Expense sheet for FY of July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013.
Beginning Balance \$229,441.52. Ending Balance \$250,574.85. **MSP.**

D. Vice President of Association Report – Jeff Przybylo

1. Explained how slots are allocated for PRP at the NCA Convention. CRAFT session is this afternoon at 3:30 today in Salon 2. Please attend because NCA counts attendees. Also commented that 100% of this year's CRAFT is university-driven. Encouraged PRP members to submit practical ideas and participate in 2014. Comment from the floor that the organization invite retired / emeritus coaches and directors to return and share experiences and strategies.
2. Discussion continued regarding the website and communication strategies which PRP may use to increase coach participation / visibility of the website. Vision for the website will be for each regional governor to have access to control content for their respective area. That component is expected to be launched in January. Status of new programs and their ability to attend PRP Denver was also discussed.

E. President Report – Cynthia Dewar-Kudsi

1. The website has been rebuilt. JP is going to help create and implement the final elements of the launch. The second phase will be to add such elements as video, speech tutorials, interpretation examples. The hope is to make the site pertinent for coaches and students to go to the site on a regular basis. Encouraged members to bring new, creative ideas forward which may be incorporated into the site.

F. Vice President of Tournament – Duane Fish

1. Discussed survey concerning length of tournament. 41 schools responded. Slightly more schools preferred the longer format. Asked members to double-check that emails are correct so emails and list-serve communications are being effectively distributed.
2. DF moved that Cleveland be scheduled on the 5 day schedule. Considered the frenetic pace of the shortened schedule as rationale for the decision. **MSP.** (The Irvine Valley nationals schedule can be decided at a later time.)
3. Proposed change in operations regarding fellowship awards. In the past 7 years, only students from IL, CA, or TX have won fellowship awards. Suggests that each region votes on a fellowship recipient before arriving at nationals. Each student will get a brief biography announced as a part of the awards ceremony. Suggests that it be a one year experiment to determine how the overall membership feels about the change. Sentiments from the floor were supportive of the change. Each region will determine how the voting and award will be determined. No motion needed.
4. Thanked Bob Becker for putting together the survey on Survey Monkey. One element of the survey regarded how early folks wanted the brochure available. Responding to this need, the 2014 brochure is already available online for perusal. Joy of Tournaments registration won't be available until January.
5. Three positions will be elected at the 2014 tournament. President, Comptroller, and Secretary. Information will be provided on the website.

III. Committee Reports

- A. Website – Fred Ebert.** Website development has been exciting. Keeping pertinent information from 2013 up until the material is replaced with new judging philosophies, etc.

- B. Site – Jeff Pryzbylo. This year we are in in Denver. Preparations are continuing without issue. Encouraged members to consider putting forth bids for 2017. Nathan Carter has been working with Jill at Experient regarding hosting in the DC / Virginia area.

IV. Old Business

No old business.

V. New Business

- A. Wade Hescht requested that t-shirts for 2014 be purchased by member schools rather than PRP. This would be a one year extension from the policy initiated in 2013. More data needs to be collected to determine what future direction is most fair and prudent. **MSP**. Also commented that PRP will explore the possibility of transferring interest/earnings from some of its holdings to cover such expenses in the future.
- B. Jessica Hurlless and Jeannie Hunt reported on PRP 2014. Please go to the Mile High Phi Rho Pi Website on Facebook to explore the content. Spoke about general planning and themes of the event. PRP is the only event being held at the hotel. Room rate \$125.18 per night / inclusive. Free internet. Free parking. Free shuttle to/from airport – provided by hotel, Casper, and Northwest. Hotel is approximately 15 minutes from airport. Washers and dryers on site. Working on a variety of inexpensive food options for the students. Information regarding entertainment, museums, restaurants, etc all provided on the site. ***Be aware of altitude and how it might impact wellness of students and coaches.*** Theme for the opening banquet is “White Out” to address social injustice and bias. New Colorado law regarding recreational use of marijuana goes into effect in January. The policy of PRP shall be for member schools to confer with their individual institutions to determine the appropriate conduct of students.

VI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 10:44 am.