**April 7, 2016**

**Costa Mesa, CA**

**TBA**

**8:30**

**Phi Rho Pi General Business Meeting**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

1. The president called the meeting to order at 8:30 p.m. The recording secretary called roll for coach and student of each member school.

**II. OFFICER’S REPORTS**

**A. Recording Secretary – John Nash**

1. Presented the minutes from Cleveland, OH 2015 and asked for corrections.

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

3. Website is being constantly updated. If you want to post any Region information in the website please let John Nash or Dug Hall know.

**B. President – Jeff Przybylo**

**C. Vice President of Association – Jolinda Ramsey**

1. Reported on NCA Craft session. Craft session went well. NCA will be held in Philadelphia.

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

1. Please refer to item 5 for history of enrollment in events at the tournament.

**E. Treasurer – Wade Hescht**

1. Submitted financial report for July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

A. Total income of $47,831.41

B. Total expense of $49,455.53

C. Net loss of -$1,623.12

D. Other Income (Interest Wells Fargo $2.46 / Contribution from City of Cleveland $2,500.00 / Contribution from Publishers $1,000.00) Total $3,502.46

E. Net Income $1,879.34

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

**E. Comptroller – Cynthia Dewar**

1. Reported that our current bank no longer wants to hold our account. We are currently looking for a new bank to hold our account. CD will be traveling to Texas to investigate a bank.

2. Reported that Sylvia Mariner left us money that has been growing and we are looking into using some of that money (most of it cannot be touched at this point in time).

3. Submitted report for July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

A. Beginning balance of $250,574.85

B. Total cash received was $71,897.22

C. Total cash disbursed was $43,328.56

D. Ending balance was $279,143.51

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

**III. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. **Inter-organization – Jolinda Ramsey -**
2. Talked about the Inter-Organizational officers.
3. M’liss Hindman took a straw vote on behalf of AFA to see if people wanted to get rid of the blank binder in Dramatic Interp. There was a bit of discussion. Overwhelming decision for the desire to keep the black book.

**B. Site Selection – Jolinda Ramsey**

1. The bid for St. Louis was not recommended by committee. JR encouraged people that if you wanted to host to contact JR or Jill Kraatz.

**C. Nominations – Paul Cummins** – **No report**

**D. Awards – Floyd McDonnell – No Report**

**E. Ethics – Lauren Morgan – No Report**

**F. Tournament Evaluation – Bob Becker**

1. For 2015 nationals, the tournament evaluation was done on survey monkey and the participation was very low. As a result, we will be going back to paper survey. BB sent results of the 2015 survey to the appropriate people.

2. Looking for new members to be a part of the committee.

**G. Constitution & By-Laws – Cynthia Dewar – No Report**

**H. Interpretation – Nathan Steele –**

1. Proposal #1: Section 3: Event Rules B. Individual Events 4. General Rules   
Introductions in oral interpretation events must include source information.

Clarification of what “source material” mean – Friendly amendment in include (i.e. authors and titles.) **MSP**

2. Proposal #2:Add in the following words to Section 3: Event Rules C. Interpreters Theater Interpreters Theater must include an introduction. Discussion of adding source information (title author) - friendly amendment “Interpreters Theater Interpreters Theater must including source information (i.e authors and titles).” Friendly amendment accepted. **MSP**

**I. Public Speaking – Tim Heisler –**

1. Talked about the proposal on page 12 in packet. Proposal was not recommended by the committee.

**J. Publications – Dug Hall**

1. Announced we have an Instagram account.

**L. Rules – M’Liss Hindman**

1. Proposal #1: Allow six entries in both IPDA and NFA-LD. Schools with 7-9 total entries between the two events would provide one additional judge and one additional competition room; schools with 10-12 total entries between the two events would provide two additional judges and two additional competition rooms. Friendly amendment to add that schools could not buy out of the additional judges being added (only can buy out of two judges maximum.) Discussion occurred both for and against. Friendly amendment to add (judges must be rated an A in debate.) Friendly amendment was accepted. Discussion occurred both for and against. **MSP**

**K. Debate – Francesca Bishop**

1. Proposal #1: Under Section 3: Event Rules for IPDA. Strike sub-point (b) that reads "Debaters will not be allowed to consult any other person during prep time. Prep IPDA rules [sic], they will be allowed paper and/or electronic research material, which may be quoted or paraphrased from notes during the round, but not read directly, as extemporaneous delivery is required." Replace with "For preparation, debaters will follow the rules sated in the IPDA Constitution and Bylaws."  
  
The IPDA Constitution and Bylaws states. "Debaters are permitted to use reference materials during their preparation time before debating. They may utilize extemporaneous speaking type files, dictionaries, reference books, libraries, or anything else for that matter. They may also consult with teammates and/or coaches for ideas and advice."

Discussion began both for and against the proposal. Friendly amendment to strike the word coaches. Accepted. Another friendly amendment – the spirit of the amendment was to allow competitors to consult with other competitors but not coaches.

**Does Not Pass**

2. Proposal #2: Move NFA-LD from Pattern A to Patterns C (Impromptu, Persuasion, Duo) and D (POI, Info, DI). Allow double entry of NFA-LD and one other event in C and D. Add 15 minutes to the time allowed for pattern C.   
Note: Pattern C has impromptu, likely the only event competitors in NFA-LD will double enter. NFA-LD takes only 45 minutes, so even if three students double-entered pattern C in each panel, there would be sufficient time. If one student double-entered in pattern D per panel, no additional time would be required. **Proposal has been withdrawn by the committee**.

**V. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A. Tournament Director – Duane Fish**

1. Thanked folks for judging IPDA.

2. Thanked judges table for keeping rounds lower than any previous year.

3. Check duty list for judging in the morning. Posted.

4. Announced sleeping rooms still needed.

**B. Tournament Hosts – Jules French**

1. Asked for people needing shuttle back to airport to see Irvine Valley.

**C. Judges Table – Cynthia Dewar**

1. No report.

**D. Regional Governors – Jolinda Ramsey –**

1. Announced new Governors.

**F. 2017 Tournament Host – Nathan Carter**

1. Northern Virginia is excited to host.

2. Hilton in Tyson’s Corner – 15 miles outside of Washington DC – Metro accessible.

$120 hotel rate + tax. Two airports (Dullas Airport – metro ride to hotel & Reagan Airport – metro rail to hotel). Major mall near the airport. Shuttle will take you to places within 1 mile radius. Fridge in the hotel. Lots of free attractions. If interested in going to the White House contact your state representative 5 months prior - Sunday April 9th Saturday April 15th

The meeting was adjourned at10:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: John Nash, Recording Secretary