

**April 11, 2019
Reno, NV
Sierra 5
8:30**

Phi Rho Pi General Business Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call

II. OFFICER'S REPORTS

A. Recording Secretary – John Nash

B. President – Jeff Przybylo

C. Vice President of Association – Nathan Carter

D. Vice President of Tournament – Duane Fish

1. Please refer to last page in business packet for history of enrollment in events at the tournament.

E. Treasurer – Wade Hesch

1. Submitted financial report for July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017. Please refer to page 4-5 in business packet
 - A. Total income of **\$18,914.24**
 - B. Total expense of **\$27,490.13**
 - C. Ordinary Net income of **\$-8,575.89**
 - D. Other Income (Interest Wells Fargo \$3.45 / Contribution from Experient \$2,400.00 Total **\$ 2,403.45**
 - E. Net Income **\$ -6,172.44**

E. Comptroller – Cynthia Dewar

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Nominations – Paul Cummins

B. Inter-organization – Nathan Carter

C. Site Selection – Nathan Carter

1. Proposals #1 - #5 (See pages 6-10 of packet) The bid for the Phi Rho Pi National Tournament to be held in Tyson's Corner, VA at the Sheraton / Marriott for April 4-10, 2021 was recommended by committee. The bid for the Phi Rho Pi National Tournament to be held in St Charles / St Louis, MO at the Hilton / Embassy Suites

for April 3-9, 2022 was recommended by committee. Remaining site proposals were not recommended.

D. Awards – Floyd McDonnell

E. Ethics – Lauren Morgan

F. Tournament Evaluation – Bob Becker

G. Constitution & By-Laws – Hal Sanford

H. Interpretation – Bonnie Gabel

I. Public Speaking – Roxanne Tuscany

J. Publications – Dug Hall

L. Rules – Dug Hall

1. Proposal #1: (Page 11 of packet) Proposal to award speaker awards to the top 5 speakers in IPDA, NFA-LD, and NPDA at the Phi Rho Pi National Tournament. Committee recommends.
2. Proposal #2: (Page 12 of packet) Proposal to switch POE from patten B to A, and STE from pattern A to B. Committee recommends.
3. Proposal #3: (Page 13 of packet) The Lynch-Grossman Award, Bossard-Twohy Award, and the Fish-Nelson shall be given to the top 10 speakers in IPDA Debate, NPDA Debate and NFA LD respectively. The speaker awards shall be based off of preliminary rounds with appropriate tiebreakers as determined by the debate tabulation committee/debate table. Not recommended.
4. Proposal #4: (Page 14 of packet) Proposal to allow double entry in patterns B, C, and D. Not recommended.

K. Debate – Francesca Bishop

1. Proposal #1 (Page 15 of packet) Remove the 5-minute forfeit rule from Parliamentary Debate and leave the forfeiture policy to the discretion of the Tournament Director. Committee recommends.
2. Proposal #2 (Page 16 of packet) The current rule on Parliamentary Debate prep time reads, "Debaters will not be allowed to consult any other person during prep time. During Parliamentary Prep, debaters will be allowed paper, dictionaries, almanacs and/or electronic research material. Except for notes that the debaters themselves have prepared during preparation time; no published materials, prepared arguments, or resources may be used during the debate."
Replace this with the following: "Debaters will not be allowed to consult any other person during prep time. During Parliamentary Debate prep, debaters will be allowed paper, dictionaries, almanacs and/or electronic research material, including internet. During the debate, debaters will be limited to using any notes they have hand-written during prep time." Committee recommends.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Tournament Director – Duane Fish

B. Tournament Hosts – Tim Heisler and Jim Dobson

C. Judges Table – Cynthia Dewar

D. Regional Governors – Nathan Carter

F. 2020 Tournament Host – Wade Hescht

PHI RHO PI
 Profit and Loss
 July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018

ORDINARY INCOME

Income from Membership			
College Membership		\$ 2,700.00	
Student Membership		<u>\$ 2,390.00</u>	
	Total		\$ 5,090.00

Tournament Fees (2017)			
Student Competition Fees		\$ 3,400.00	
Judging Assistance Fees		\$ 2,340.00	
Facilities Fees		\$ 5,060.00	
Nuisance Fees		\$ 540.00	
Additional Banquet Tickets		\$ 0.00	
T-Shirt Fees		\$ 2,225.00	
Duplicate Trophies		\$ 330.00	
Square Fees		\$ -70.76	
	Total		\$13,824.24

TOTAL INCOME \$18,914.24

EXPENSES

Legal Fees		<u>\$ 1,500.00</u>	
	Total		\$ 1,500.00

Insurance		<u>\$ 429.99</u>	
	Total		\$ 429.99

Promotional Materials		<u>\$ 471.00</u>	
	Total		\$ 471.00

Site Visit 2018		<u>\$ 935.74</u>	
	Total		\$ 935.74

NCA – Officers			
Hotel		\$ 871.36	
Airfare/Mileage		\$ 1,750.00	
Registration		<u>\$ 180.00</u>	
	Total		\$ 2,801.36

National Tournament			
Trophies		\$ 7,967.15	
Guest Speaker		\$ 300.00	
Entertainment (DJ)		\$ 1,325.00	
Gifts		\$ 250.00	
Hired Judges		\$ 4,590.00	
Hotel		\$ 535.81	
Joy of Tournaments		\$ 1,500.00	
Staff Expenses		\$ 643.50	

Duplicate Trophies		\$ 357.82	
T-Shirts		\$ 2,245.00	
AV		\$ 450.00	
Supplies		\$ 175.00	
Copier		<u>\$ 757.88</u>	
	Total		\$21,097.16
Web Site Hosting Fees			
		<u>\$ 254.88</u>	
	Total		<u>\$ 254.88</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES			<u>\$27,490.13</u>
NET ORDINARY INCOME			\$-8,575.89
OTHER INCOME			
Interest from Wells Fargo Savings		\$ 3.45	
Contributions from Experient		<u>\$ 2,400.00</u>	
	Total		\$2,403.45 <u>\$ 2,403.45</u>
NET INCOME			\$ -6,172.44

Select the Committee

Site Selection

Submitted by: Name

Nathan Carter

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I am...

...a committee chair submitting a proposal coming out of committee

Proposal--Include the correct wording of the proposed resolution

The Site Committee accepts the bid for the 2021 National Tournament to be held in Tyson's Corner, VA (Washington DC Metro area) at the Sheraton/Marriott Tyson's Corner for April 4th – April 10th provided that the hotel include a provision in contract which states that individual schools will receive compensation (amount TBD) if their reserved sleeping rooms are not ready by the contracted check-in time.

Provide rationale FOR the resolution

1. This location was a popular choice among coaches and students
2. There are several inexpensive and positive tourist attractions for students and coaches.
3. There is a Wal-Mart and various food options within walking distance of the hotel property.
4. The property has ample meeting room space to address all of the National Tournament's competition room needs. (24 Event Rooms, and a total of 44,562 Sq. Feet of meeting room space)
5. Transportation to the hotel from the Washington DC Dulles Airport (IAD) and/or to the Washington DC area is metro accessible via the DC Metro Silver Line.
6. Attendance at the 2017 Phi Rho Pi National Tournament (held at the Tyson's Corner location) was considerably high suggesting that we can increase our membership numbers by returning in 2021.

Provide rationale AGAINST the resolution

1. Limited amount of refrigerators available in sleeping rooms.
2. Sleeping rooms do not have microwaves
3. Cost (\$129 per night without tax; \$145 per night (with tax-estimate)

Check box below (to be checked by the committee chair).The Committee recommends the proposal

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A proposal was submitted to select the Hilton/Embassy Suites in St. Charles/St. Louis, MO as the National Tournament location for 2021 provided that additional meeting room space from the St. Charles Convention Center is included in the final contract.

Provide rationale FOR the resolution

1. The hotel was recently renovated.
2. All sleeping rooms (double/double and Kings) are suites with a separate living area that has a sleeper sofa. All rooms also have microwaves and refrigerators.
3. Free hot breakfast is included every day in the stated room rate.
4. There are sufficient lunch & dinner options (including a grocery store) close to the hotel.
5. The property is close to the St. Louis Airport.
6. With the inclusion of additional meeting room space at the attached St. Charles Convention Center, there is sufficient competition space to meet the National Tournament needs. (9,585 square feet of meeting space at the hotel & 80,000 square feet of meeting room space at the St. Charles Convention Center)

Provide rationale AGAINST the resolution

1. Cost (\$135 per night- without tax); \$155 per night (tax included)
2. Tyson's Corner VA was a more popular location for 2021 based on survey results.
3. After the Site Selection Committee Meeting, the property stated it would be better to have the Phi Rho Pi National Tournament come in 2022 and not 2021 so they can have time to work with the St. Charles Convention Center to address our meeting room space needs.

Check box below (to be checked by the committee chair).The Committee does not recommend the proposal

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Proposal--Include the correct wording of the proposed resolution

A proposal was submitted to select the Renaissance Hotel in Cleveland, Ohio as the National Tournament location in 2021.

Provide rationale FOR the resolution

1. Inexpensive room rate (\$115 per night; \$134 tax included-ESTIMATE)
2. Cleveland CVB would provide Phi Rho Pi with a check for \$10,000 at the completion of the event.

Provide rationale AGAINST the resolution

1. Not a popular location compared to other options
2. Concern about food options nearby
3. Concern about meeting room space availability and its appropriateness for competition.
4. Hotel is a bit older and dated.

Check box below (to be checked by the committee chair).The Committee does not recommend the proposal

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Provide rationale FOR the resolution

1. The hotel was recently renovated
2. Sleeping rooms are all suites with a separate living area
3. Free hot breakfast included every day in the room rate.
4. There are sufficient food options nearby the hotel for students.
5. The property is close to the St. Louis Airport
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Proposal--Include the correct wording of the proposed resolution

To award speaker awards to the top 5 speakers in IPDA, NFA-LD, and NPDA at the Phi Rho Pi National Tournament.

Provide rationale FOR the resolution

Align PRP with other national tournaments where this is common practice.
Celebrate skills in communication within the debate events.

Provide rationale AGAINST the resolution

More plaques to buy.

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Yes

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Proposal--Include the correct wording of the proposed resolution

Switch POE from patter B to A, and STE from pattern A to B.

Currently, students competing in Platform/Public Address events are able to enter in as many as 4 different events, whereas students that are more inclined to performance/interpretation events are only able to compete in 2. This disadvantages programs that are interper heavy, but do not or CANNOT compete in Reader's Theater/Interper's Theater

Provide rationale FOR the resolution

Creates equity between programs that participate more in interpretation events and those that have more platform/public address events. Allows students that have been competing in both Poetry and Prose all year long to bring their work to the national tournament (a strong majority of interpers compete in both and are forced to choose come April) Possibly larger entry numbers in both Prose and Poetry

Provide rationale AGAINST the resolution

Possibility of further minimizing Reader's Theater/Interper's Theater entry

Could diminish the entry in STE (53% conflict this year with Pattern B events and STE)

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Provide rationale FOR the resolution

1. Asking students to vote for a debater who "best embodies the spirit of debate" is a vague and arbitrary concept; it is not quantifiable and highly subjective.
2. Phi Rho Pi is a massive national tournament in debate and not recognize the top speakers in each division is unfair.
3. It is standard practice at EVERY national tournament to give out multiple speaker awards in debate.

Provide rationale AGAINST the resolution

1. This would change the fundamental purpose of the above mentioned awards.

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Proposal--Include the correct wording of the proposed resolution

Allow double entry in patterns B, C, and D

Provide rationale FOR the resolution

-- Bring equity of opportunity to events in all patterns

-- Allow students who prefer a particular genre of competition to compete in four types of that genre

Provide rationale AGAINST the resolution

-- It would complicate sectioning for the I.E. table.

-- It may cause additional unbalancing in events.

-- It is against Phi Rho Pi tradition of keeping students in round to support, and learn from, each other.

-- In a large hotel situation, like this year, it could be difficult for students to get to rounds on time.

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Proposal--Include the correct wording of the proposed resolution

Remove the 5-minute forfeit rule from Parliamentary Debate and leave the forfeiture policy to the discretion of the Tournament Director.

Provide rationale FOR the resolution

It is consistent with the two other forms of debate at PRP where there is no forfeiture rule.

It is consistent with all events at PRP; there is no reason to single out one event to have a forfeiture rule.

It eliminates confusion when, like this year, the TD has to change published rules. Coaches and judges who are unaware of the change to published rules may penalize competitors when others are not being penalized.

It allows TD to determine any forfeiture rule based on the particular hotel, and have a rule that is more objective than 'be lenient.'

Provide rationale AGAINST the resolution

It could increase confusion as the forfeit policy may change yearly.

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Debate

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Provide rationale FOR the resolution

This is a clarification of the original rule.

It decreases the likelihood of a subjective interpretation of the rule by a critic. For example, occasionally judges have believed debaters could not access pre-prepared positions or files in prep time, which was never the intent.

It allows coaches to be clear on the rule prior to the tournament, thereby facilitating effective coaching.

It preserves competitive equity by ensuring all students compete under the same rules.

Provide rationale AGAINST the resolution

Because this is a clarification of what was originally intended, previously passed, there was no rationale against.

Check box below (to be checked by the committee chair).The Committee recommends the proposal

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