

TFA Retreat 2019 Minutes - 6/28/2019

Thursday AM

Members Convene

EC Members Present President - Joe Uhler

VP - John Mast

Treasurer - Noah Recker

Region 2 - Rory McKenzie

Region 3 - Michelle Watkins

Region 4 - Ryan Hennessey

Region 5 - Yolanda Silva

Archivist - Kirsten Nash

Also Present - Brent Hinkle

Not Present - Secretary - Victoria Beard (Ryan Hennessey took notes for Victoria)

Region 1 - Ryan Lovell

President's Greeting

VP's Report

Discussion of the following items:

- Dance Card changes
- Need judge names and emails
- TFA Judge Acquisition Committee
- Debate/IE Judge delineation (feedback from Region Reps) - maximize judge efficiency
- Hiring Pool Specific Judges (IE Specific judges)
- Region Reps sending Highly Preferred Judges by December 1st

- All judge info will go through Joy
- Joy will open after convention (information not registration)
- Judges - Contact for non-hires as well as hires
- All judge communication through tfa judge email
- Auto Response for Judge Applications

TFA State Reflection

Discussion of the following items:

- Entourage Rule
- Setup of Registration
- Payment for Judges to travel to El Paso and Judge (\$500)
- Hired Judge Missed Round Policy
- 2 Days Hired Judge Contracts
- All judges turn in cards for a round (wait to be standby cleared)
- Have cell phone info for all judges
- IE Finals Judges (Nominated by Region Reps) - Have by work weekend
- Staff for TFA State
- Scheduling - Noah Proposed an EC amendment to eliminate Trips in Policy
- EC expectations regarding staying during the duration of the tournament
- Region Rep table asst due by 12/1 - Tab Staff also
- Ombudsperson must stay until the end
- Procedures - Chain of Communication

In coach folders - ex. Judge issues, round protests

- Finance Documentation -
- State price negotiation
- School Fee - 10K
- Budget - 15K Expectation
- Trophy Costs - Too much

15K Budget

Possible Vendors: Crowne, Monarch, A-1

- Ask for recommendations from the body
- World School's
 - Tab Location
 - WSC Elected
 - Tab Members - Chosen by Debate tab director

- Table WSD
- Co-Champions CX

2020 Planning

Kirsten Nash motions to accept the bid from Franklin High School

Noah Recker Seconds the Motion

Region 1 - Ryan Lovell (Not Present)

Region 2 - Rory McKenzie Aye

Region 3 - Michelle Watkins Aye

Region 4 - Ryan Hennessey Aye

Region 5 - Yolanda Silva Aye

Treasurer - Noah Recker Aye

Secretary - Victoria Beard (Not Present)

VP - Jon Mast Aye

President - Joe Uhler Aye

Vote Passes - 7-0

Discussion of the timeline for the State Tournament:

Wednesday Timeline:

Tab Staff Meeting - Wednesday

6:00 EC Meeting

Tab Staff Meeting at 6:30

Registration 7-9:30

Discussion of other state issues:

El Paso - Lighting Concerns

Golf Cart for people with limited mobility

Late Registration

TFA State Payment due by 2/26 - Still accepting PO's

All doc due by 2/17

All EC members come to work weekend (if possible)

Dates 2/28-29

Fly in Friday - Come home Sunday

Determine Wednesday arrival after work weekend

5:00 arrival Wednesday

Break for Lunch

Reconvene

Discussion of 2021 State Planning

One school has indicated interest

Joe will send an email requesting bids

App due by 10/1

Discussion of 2022 State - Region 1

Ryan Lovell will approach his admin

Discussion of TFA State Tournament Coordinator

Noah Recker Moved to accept a 3K stipend for the STC with the EC paying for travel and the STC paying for their own food.

Seconded by Yolanda Silva

Region 1 - Ryan L. (Not Present)

Region 2 - Rory McKenzie Aye

Region 3 - Michelle Watkins Aye

Region 4 - Ryan Hennessey Aye

Region 5 - Yolanda Silva Aye

Treasurer - Noah Aye

Secretary - Victoria Beard (Not Present)

VP - Jon Mast Aye

President - Joe Uhler Aye

Vote Passes - 7-0

STC must submit a letter of interest/resume.

Noah moved to provide the STC stipend to Shawn Mena for the 2020 State Tournament

Kirsten Seconds

Region 1 - Ryan L. (Not Present)

Region 2 - Rory McKenzie Aye

Region 3 - Michelle Watkins Aye

Region 4 - Ryan Hennessey Aye

Region 5 - Yolanda Silva Aye

Treasurer - Noah Aye

Secretary - Victoria Beard (Not Present)

VP - Jon Mast Aye

President - Joe Uhler Aye

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Apps due 8/1

Decision by 9/1

TFA Hosting Manual

Internal EC Items

Financial Report - IRS Reporting

Submitting New Paperwork to Make us an organization

Status as a nonprofit lapsed

We are fiscally fine :)

Noah Recker moved to allocate the Kate Flsher scholarship to the National Suicide Prevention Hotline

Joe Uhler Seconds

Region 1 - Ryan L. (Not Present)

Region 2 - Rory McKenzie Aye

Region 3 - Michelle Watkins Aye

Region 4 - Ryan Hennessey Aye

Region 5 - Yolanda Silva Aye

Treasurer - Noah Aye

Secretary - Victoria Beard (Not Present)

VP - Jon Mast Aye

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Suggestion of Quarterly P/L statement

Noah talked about putting \$ into a CD. Wanted to make sure that we had dealt with the IRS first.

Communication Expectations

All members of EC included on all EC communication

All members attend video/audio conferences

1 Hour meeting time limit

Night for the meeting: 1st Monday of every month

Starting with 8/5 @ 7:00 p.m.

Let Joe know if you can't be there

In meetings, and in email votes, make sure you weigh in in a timely manner

Max 48 hours of discussion

Once a vote is called, 24 hours to vote.

After every vote, Vicky will send out a vote result (By person).

All communication with a member will be CCed to the EC.

Copies on Region emails to president

Newsletter Function: Eliminate

Email with important dates

Elections - Nominating Committee

Running for a position should write a letter of intent

Minutes/Reporting to the Body Frequency

Minutes Once a month - Secretary should have report to website no later than 1 week after

Region Reps should send a minutes reminder

Template for minutes (NSDA Style)

EC Lunch at Convention 1st Day - Thursday

Officer Manual - Incomplete

Expectations for STC in officer manual

Edit Officer Manual (By position)

Parliamentarian - Discussion of a parliamentarian for TFA

Discussion of a Robert's Rules Cheat Sheet to be used at TSCA

Discussion of JOY

Registration and reporting on JOY

Discussion of Potential alternatives to JOY (If necessary)

Discussion of how swings pay application fees

Discussion of Application fee for next year

Discussion with Brent Re: Website/IQT Infrastructure

6/29/2019

Convene 9:15

Review of yesterday's completed agenda items

2019 State Judge Issues

Consolation Events judging

Discussion of judge obligations

Region Rep Responsibility regarding missed rounds

Discussion of form text regarding missed rounds

Kirsten moves to spend no more than 2K to get Sarah Catherine Cook from Beyond Resolved to come speak at TSCA. Flight, + Room+ Honorarium

Ryan L. Seconds

Unanimous in favor.

Discussion of WSD Committee

Leave as Ad Hoc for one year with regular rules

Discussion of how to manage WSD going forward

Discussion of meeting with WSD Committee and EC at TSCA to discuss future of WSD going forward

Discussion of WSD Tab

Discussion of WSD Scholarships for Team USA WSD Members

Discussion of Creating Debate Promoting Initiatives

Michelle motions to set aside 5K for Debate Promoting Initiatives

Rory Seconds

All say AYE

Discussion about the application process

Region Reports

Region 1

Discussed 6 rounds of CX Saturday

Region 2

High judge responsibility in contrast with low entries

Discussion on Chuck Walts UIL Action Committee - Judge Certification and Training

Committee Members to be assigned are:

Region 1: Melissa Denny

Region 2: Melissa Witt

Region 3: Katrese Skinner

Region 4: Lily Ogunbanjo

Region 5: Ricardo Jordan

Chuck Walts discrimination ammendment

Rory sent to EC to be put in the Constitution

Increased transparency in regard to voting and finance

Ballot language - should it be updated

This question was referred to the Judge Training committee

Region 3

ADA Compliance

Ad Hoc Committee Established

Region 1 Cody Duncan

Region 2 Seth Phillips

Region 3 Tasha Jones

Region 4 Dustin Kay

Region 5 Jackie Ochoa

Region 4

Houston exception 3rd tournament in spite of 150 miles (50 miles)

Rory motioned that in regions that there are no tournament openings, there can be a 3rd tournament on the weekend, in spite of the 150 mile rule.

Seconded by Noah

Rory withdrew his motion

Region 5

Discussion about co-hosting or hosting a swing with a New Mexico school

Discussion about officers/Social Media Specialist

New president will fill vacancy

Discussion of Region Reps Filling Committee vacancies

Noah and Kirsten will write amendments regarding swing precedence and tournaments being hosted against a swing

Discussion of Punishment revision for TFA membership payment

Discussion about involving college programs

Meeting at TSCA

Motion from Noah regarding WSD point schedule to move WSD into Policy bracket

Joe Seconds

Ryan L., Rory, Michelle, Noah, Jon, RH says aye

Yolanda abstains

Michelle motions to pay Brent \$20 per hour for 136 hours worked

Rory seconds

Everyone says Aye

Discussion re: service project at TFA

Yolanda will discuss with Shawn and report back

Discussion of a TFA service project for TSCA

Michelle moved to adjourn

Seconded by Rory

Everyone said Aye

- EC Recommendations

Remove CX triples - Noah will write it

EC Amendment - STC president appoint with EC approval

EC Amendment RE: Swing Precedence

EC Amendment Re: punishment re non payment

PF NSDA Changes

Folder Inclusions

Flow Chart

Congrats to Finals

Work Weekend

IE Dance Cards