**5/19/2018 CHSSA Council Meeting: K. Graber’s Notes**

Statewide membership (member SCHOOLS) must approve new set of bylaws (per new our lawyer)

* 20% constitutes a quorum; Constitution outlines a referendum process
* Reed will unveil the process (likely online) in September; might ask Terry Abad to officiate

Area 3 had 70 schools vote—largest participation ever!

CHSSA.org/exec to see protests and verdicts

Middle School State 2019 a “Go” @ Leland HS in May

CSU Long Beach site for States 2019, May 3-5

* Online Registration Date Friday March 29
* Postmark Deadline: Friday April 5
* Angelique will make accommodations for Ramadan

Next Year’s CHSSA Meetings

* Sept 7-8 (Fri/Sat) Sacramento
* Jan 4-5 (Fri/Sat) Los Angeles or San Diego
* May 18-19 (Sat/Sun) in San Jose (coincides with MS State)

Lily Bolig stepping down as PR chair (she’s getting married!)

* Reed has appointed Iain Lampert to replace her!
* New Twitter Hashtag: #chssaspeaks
* Lilly wants each league to create its own facebook page—email with instructions coming!
* Send her names of impressive alumni accomplishments (I sent Shawn Haq)

CHSSA council mbrs: send expenses directly to **Treasurer Neil Barembaum** (he is out of checks!)

* Area 3 the largest Area in the state: we sent $8,600 to CHSSA! Almost $1,000 more than next largest area, Area One ($7,700)

BEN (webmaster) WANTS CONTENT AND IDEAS FOR THE BULLETIN! PHOTOS TOO!

* Original winning speeches will be published in the Fall Bulletin (after Nats)

Karson (CHSSA secretary): Minutes are not word for word, but an approximate transcription

* Minnia suggests that more people would read a summation rather than a 5-hour script
* Roberts Rules of Order says that minutes should account for actions taken, not the actual dialogue
* Artem (GGSA pres) argues for transparency
* Orfield (SDIVSL): why not an audio? Then have it professionally transcribed? Even more transparency!
* Reed says, why not facebook LIVE? Coaches could watch!

Ron Underwood (CHSSA Historian): excited about putting together the MS tournament

* Might use some $$ from the money Donovan Cummings left CHSSA in his will (he passed in 2010)
* Not enough room to have Worlds Debate at the MS tournament—would need 11 more rooms; Reed might explore hosting Worlds at the hotel where the Council mtg is held
* Sent out 175 invitations to Middle Schools—need more!! Send Ron info about likely participants (see list of schools he has already contacted)

Chris Harris (Area 1): “culture of protest;” WE NEED A WAY OUT; let’s fix this!

* Loved having all his area’s scripts online
* Watch what we say in public, especially on facebook; perception is everything
* Respect each other
* Reed says put these comments in “For the Good of the Body”

Mikendra McCoy (Area 2): had fun hosting; many complimentary letters

* Caiti put her league’s scripts online, about a 4 hour process

Me: welcome Tony Ugalde, new Area 3 Rep at Large and Ashley Burton, new Area 3 Curric Comm Mbr

 (Spartan Aloha Classic April 13-14)

Gregg Osborn (Area 4): thanks to Sarah for securing CSLB

* echoes Chris in his enthusiasm for having all scripts online

**Note: online docket in Draft Form only; revised bylaw change proposals due 5/22; Reed will update**

**Dave Matley (Congress Committee): “HOUSEKEEPING ISSUES”—voting on these NOW**

* 0518H: Eliminate Conflicting Language Regarding Paneling of Congress Contestants in Prelims: **PASS**
* 0518P: Eliminate Confusing and Redundant Language Regarding PO Competition: **PASS**
* 0518Y: Clarify Language of Win/Loss in Presiding Officer Competition**: PASS**

**Bylaw addition: 0518X: Establish Tie Breaker for PO Contest in Final Round: PASS**

(to codify current practice)

*Ties in the final round shall be broken in the following precedence:*

1. *Greatest number of judge votes in the final round*
2. *Greatest number of student votes in the final round*
3. *Greatest number of wins*
4. *Greatest number of judge votes in all rounds*
5. *Greatest number of student votes in all rounds*
6. *Head to head competition if contestants met in previous round*
7. *Strength of opposition based on total number of student and judge ballots throughout the tournament.*
8. *In the case of an unbreakable tie, co-champions will be awarded.*
* Congress Survey Results (of participants and coaches): generally VERY positive and affirming! (will be published)
* Overwhelmingly kids want right to Authorship speeches! (takes the power out of the PO to select the first speaker)—*Congress Committee will discuss in Sept*
* Increase CX to 2 minutes—*Congress Committee will discuss in Sept*
* Want “Direct CX” to go back and forth with the questioner—like NSDA/TOC does!—*Congress Committee will discuss in Sept*
* Should we bring adult Parliamentarians back? OVERWHELMINGLY YES!!—*Congress Committee will discuss in Sept*
* Comment cards for congress judges!! (for Ben to scan)—*Congress Committee will discuss in Sept*

**Karson Kalashian (Debate Committee)**

* Cannot fit Worlds Debate into the State Tournament schedule right now—adjusting to Parli and PoFo at 64 entries each at States 2019 (bringing parity to PF/Parli)
* Will work on cleaning up the Debate bylaws in Sept (to clean out old “mumbo jumbo”)—ie posting the “Drop List” after each round of debate—we don’t do that anymore!
* Issue re: parli prep material brought up (a student took a parli handbook into the round at a league tourney)—solution? A door proctor who would inspect what each kid leaves the prep room with?
* PF PREP TIME: Stopping and starting due to exchange of evidence; protest denied, but debate committee disagrees with the protest committee decision; committee will discuss adding bylaw language to clarify: something like, “Once prep time has started, it can only be ended by starting a speech.”

Karson discusses bylaw revision proposals to take back to leagues; **votes will be taken in SEPTEMBER**

**0518E**: e-mail / dropbox / Google Docs exchanges of cases, evidence, etc. w/ opponents and partners

I requested that this bylaw be split, b/c the lifting of the prohibition against telling the judge to “look it up” is a separate issue; Angel agrees—revision will be posted by May 22. As currently submitted:

(Original: *“In ~~all forms of debate~~* ***Lincoln Douglas, Policy, and Public Forum Debate****, debaters shall not have access to or activate any other electronic devices during the round, other than those specified in paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Section K. Debaters shall ~~not be allowed to utilize the Internet during rounds.~~* ***be permitted to access the internet for the sole purpose of file sharing with their opponent(s). File sharing may be done through email chains, file sharing services like Dropbox or Google Drive, or any other method agreed upon by all competitors in a given debate, prior to the start of that debate. Any other use of the internet, whether for other communication, searching, etc. is fully forbidden in line with paragraph M below.*** *~~In a round where the use of computers or cellphones as timers is permissible, Internet access must be disabled.~~ Evidence acquired from the use of the Internet during the round,* ***other than permitted above,*** *is invalid. ~~Therefore, the debater(s) shall not explicitly encourage or invite judges to acquire evidence from the Internet.~~ “)*

* **0518G: Clarify Oral Prompting Rules in Policy**
* **(0518T:** Redundant if G passes; will be withdrawn)
* **0518U: Off-time roadmaps** (The judge requesting the roadmap condition will be removed)
* **0518V:** **Allow for Internet Prep in Parliamentary Debate**

Debate Committee recommends a ‘NO’ vote, but it was contentious (internet access is spotty—a kid with a hotspot might be able to access, but another kid in the same room may not—makes new demands on host site infrastructure)—Ashley B. brings up the fact that not all kids have computers! Artem (GGSA) argues that this actually increases equity—no need to have powerful devices that can download massive amounts of research—instead, a kid with a Chromebook can access the internet. Minnia suggests that this alters the spontaneous nature of Parli Debate. (I ask Artem to email me his rationale)

* **0518Z: Alter Parliamentary Debate Speech Times** (Debate Committee very much in favor)

**Caiti Sarvey (IE committee Chair)**

* **0518D: Use the NSDA approved script list for online sourced (OI) text:** *The transcript must be an official transcript. Transcripts may only be printed from websites on the National Speech and Debate Association Approved Website List. Online transcripts must meet all other event requirements.*

Erik Pielstick (CBSR pres): Commencement speeches on university websites are not on the NSDA approved site! That’s a problem.

* **0518F: Eliminate online sources only:** *IE committee recommends a No Vote*

Me: D & F are not “either/or”—we can vote ‘NO’ on both and keep the status quo.

**0518R:** **Allow for Recorded Confirmation of OI Transcript (my bylaw change proposal)**

**0518S: Allow for Recorded Confirmation of TEDX OI Transcripts (my alternative if R fails)**

Tony discusses the possibility of a unique approved website list for OI. Gregg and Minnia and

Dave Matley like this; they say it opens it up for students and coaches. Expands OI sources—so many fantastic speeches out there! Jennifer N and Dave ask for friendly amendment: add TED *or* TEDX. I agree to the friendly amendment. Concerns center around the time required to confirm a transcript for league presidents, area chairs, and protest committee.

**0518B: Allow downloaded manuscripts**

**0518C: Allow search engine pages even if the original webpage has links**

**0518W: Align TI with POI** (IE committee supports and prefers this to 0518A)

**0518A: Align TI with POI** (IE committee says vote W over this one)

Dave Matley says, why not scrap TI and replace it with POI? *Straw poll of council vastly prefers this option*.

**0518L: Clarify Selections and Transitional Material in TI (**not necessary if we replace TI w/ POI)

**0518K: Clarify Penalty for Dropping Manuscript in TI** (or replace w/ NSDA POI “control”?)

**0518Q: Revise the TI Coversheet** (may not be necessary if we replace TI w/POI; not a bylaw revision)

**IE COMMITTEE MET AFTER THE GENERAL COUNCIL ADJOURNED TO REVISE THE TI/POI BYLAW PROPOSAL. NEW LANGUAGE FORTHCOMING.**

**4 options to Equalize sweepstakes points for speech & debate events (all authored by Ben Cummings)**

Me: how would this change our bonus formulas?

* **0518M: see text**
* **0518J: see text**
* **0518O: M + J (happy medium)—several on council endorsing this one**
* **0518N: Total Equity** (speech 648 pts, debate 324 pts, congress 64 pts) vs status quo? (coming soon!)

**OLD BUSINESS: None**

**Reed suggests league presidents use google vote to poll league coaches**

**I won the Area 3 election.**

**Sarah Sherwood won for Area 4 chair.**

**For the good of the order:**

Gregg Osborn (outgoing Area 4 Chair) on allocations and bonuses (working on it)