**National Christian College Forensics**

**Association Business Meeting**

March 7, 2020 at Grove City College, Grove City, PA

I. Opening:

A. Brooke Adamson of Northwest Nazarene welcomed group to the

 tournament and prayed for the meal.

B. Remarks and School and representative introductions.

II. Business:

1. Informing about the officers: Derrick Greene at Cedarville is continuing his doctoral studies so we held an interim election this winter. Jon Longing is completing this term.
2. Amending the 2019 minutes. **The paragraph on money is incorrect so strike it.** Minutes approved as amended.

III. Officer Reports

1. Secretary: Brooke Adamson (for President Chris Leland) Chris will have kidney transplant surgery April 1.
2. Treasurer Julie Welker. The Association is doing well financially. Since 2010 we have “built some legs” under the organization. This tournament brought in $17,215, and of that amount we are still owed $4815. For the tourney operated $12,000 less. Expenditure are $15,005, trophies about $3500, judges $2000, and we did not get a tournament gift for students. Assuming everyone pays up, we will net about $1700. We should have about $14,991 in the bank account after this tournament. That surplus keeps us ready for events like in 2019 when we operated at a loss. We are a 501C3, incorporated in California but hope to move to Texas. We pay for tournament director to travel to host site. We want to have money to cover hotel and food for some imported judges. Treasurer reports are posted as well.

C. Tournament Director Michael Dreher: Tonight, we will have debate

speaker awards and IE finals on Sunday night along with sweepstakes and special awards.

D. Tournament Host Andrew Harvey: Thank you for coming. Reminder about

 tonight’s banquet. Chapel tomorrow in the chapel.

IV. New Business

A. Elections: We will elect one representative from the west (district 1) and one from the east (district 2), and hold elections for President, as their terms expire this year.

1. President, Current term ending: Chris Leland from Azusa Pacific

 re-elected unanimously.

2. Western (District 1) Representative current term ending- Mike

 Ingram, Whitworth University. Reelected unanimously.

3. Eastern (District 2) Representative current term ending- Denise

 Thomas of Liberty. Reelected unanimously.

B. Hosting the NCCFA tournament in 2021– Proposed bids

1. Only one formal bid proposed: Denise Thomas from Liberty University bid, pitching Thurs, March 11, Fri March 12, Sat March 13, during their spring break. Tab room discovered PKD will be March 10 – 14, 2021. Denise is open to exploring her campus ability to host on the front side of her spring break on Sat March 6, Sunday March 7 and Monday March 8. Denise prefers the Thu/Fri/Sat date. A straw poll suggested three schools would choose to attend PKD instead of NCCFI next year.

 2. NNU, CBU, WCU would choose PKD over NCCFI due to other leadership

 Duties.

 3. Brooke from NNU may bid for 2022, which would be two weeks later, no

 formal bid yet.

 4. Motion to accept Liberty’s bid to host in 2021, with Denise exploring the

 option of March 6, 7, 8 as a possibility, and then reporting to the Executive

 Council for a future vote on the weekend. Unanimous vote for the Liberty

 bid.

NOTE: Denise confirmed dates for NCCFI in an e-mail on July 1, 2020 to the executive council to hold nationals March 18 – 21, 2021.

V. Proposals/ Discussion Items

A. Discussion about new 2 panel IE schedule instead of 3 panels. Should we

do this again? Discussion items included:

 1. Most of us have two panels everywhere else

 2. 1:45 hour rounds allows students to triple enter

 3. Some kids think there is too much down time between performances

 and lost energy while sitting around, while others like the longer time.

 4. Michael Dreher reminded the group our bylaws say we are not

 supposed to exceed 12 hours on campus.

B. Miscellaneous items mentioned as the meeting was drawing to a close:

 1. Michael from Grand Canyon inquired if students could do IPDA and

 NPDA at same time.

 2. Eric from Cedarville inquired if Reader’s Theatre could be scheduled

 inside debate times.

C. Discussion requested by Covenant and Dordt to reconsider the schedule

and go back to Thursday-Saturday. (Tabled, can discuss via email)

Brooke adjourned meeting at 2:12 pm

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