

TFL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
Sunday, June 5, 2016- 7:30 PM

Online via GoToMeeting

A G E N D A

I. Call to order- 7:38 PM

Scott Bennett (SB)  
Brigitte Cain (BC) non-member treasurer  
ABSENT  
Chris Harrow (CH)  
Shannon Jarman (SJ)  
Shellie Kingaby (SK)

Mary Morales (MM)  
Jonathan Peele (JP)- ABSENT  
Keith Pittman (KP)  
Bob Wieckowski (BW)  
John Walker (JW)  
Jeff Welty (JWD)

- II. Approval of April 2016 minutes- motion to approve (MM), 2<sup>nd</sup>, (CH), approved.
- III. Treasurer's report- check to be sent to Charlotte Latin
- IV. Sam Ervin Award update- KP will double check to make sure check has been sent.
- V. TFL Website update (JW) – updates made. JW plans to work on layout at end of month. Would be helpful to have pics with new styles, committee asked to find examples.
- VI. TFL Logo/merchandise committee update (SK)- questions to answer:
- a. Profit? Committee agreed that the biggest goal not to lose \$.
  - b. Online store with a minimum order for a live store at state tourney.
  - c. Samples to be on display at local tournaments.
    - i. Need to make sure we don't spend too much up front.
    - ii. Will nail down vendors.
- VII. TFL Strategic Planning Committee update (SJ)- good ideas of a regional leadership committee for better representation across the state. Question is how to set up regions (geographically, by population. Also discussion about tiered membership. The thinking is that regionalization may lead to increased membership, so tiered membership may not be needed.
- a. Idea generated to qualify for the state tournament- looking at how other states run their state tournaments- more meaningful and special that holds weight. Continued feedback solicited.
  - b. Regional leadership will need a 2/3 vote of the membership to change the constitution.
- VIII. TFL Constitution Committee update (CH) - trying to work through constitutional issues in order to launch new structure and plan in 2017 season. When SP committee work is complete, Constitution committee will piggyback off SP's work.
- IX. Update on Fayetteville State Tournament bid process (Jarman)- Southview and Jack Britt both want to host. SJ has sent both schools the bid form.
- X. Proposal to recommend dropping lowest speech ranks from Thomas Surber of Mountain Heritage- discussion about dropping the lowest round in 5 round tournament. JWD inquired about debate rules at the state tournament.

- XI. State tournament events- SJ suggested we wait until after NSDA. SJ motion to table events 2<sup>nd</sup> (CH), TABLED.
- XII. Event descriptions in manual-modify the manual to use NSDA descriptions, approved by consensus.
- XIII. State tournament fees- \$20 per student this year. TFL fee is the school fee. Motion for fee to remain at \$20 per event (PF and DUO- \$40), 2<sup>nd</sup> (MM), approved.
- XIV. State tournament registration and tabbing software- discussion to remain with Speechwire. Motion to use SW (SB), 2<sup>nd</sup> (SJ)- approved.
- XV. State tournament staffing-
  - a. Discussion about tournament manager- sets up SW. Oversees the management of the tournament. Helps take pressure off of the committee chair. Motion made and rescinded (SB). Motion to table (SB), 2<sup>nd</sup> (SJ)- tabled. Keith will check on one possibility and report back.
- XVI. State tournament judge quotas for teams and host- did not have sufficient judges under the current system. Motion to table (CH), 2<sup>nd</sup> (BW)- TABLED.
- XVII. State tournament opening/closing ceremony- Specific items to open vs. close in order to save time. Motion (SJ), 2<sup>nd</sup> (CH)- TABLED. Keith will send out list of order of ceremony.
- XVIII. Procurement of Extemp/Impromptu/Radio topics-Motion to table (CH), 2<sup>nd</sup> (SJ)- TABLED
- XIX. Debrief 2016 TFL State Tournament- KP will open a google doc for committee to respond, consensus agreement.
- XX. Policy Changes for 2017 TFL State tournament- need to act on changing manual- add suggested changes into google doc by next meeting.
- XXI. Virginia Sutherland Circle of Honor- none noted.
- XXII. New business- none noted.
- XXIII. Set next meeting time/date- August 28<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm.
- XXIV. Adjourn- 8:54 PM