

Minutes- Fall 2010 Business Meeting

Call to Order- President Renea Gernant

Approval of minutes- Moved, Seconded and Passed

President's Report

Resignation of Michael Dreher as Webmaster- Thanks to him for his years of service.

Joe Gantt will fill role for few months- will need to be filled

Rearrange some responsibilities of webmaster/executive secretary

Treasurer's Report- Filed online. All is well with finances.

VP- Nothing to report

Executive Secretary Report- Testing the new system now, will have results soon.

Nominating committee- nominating Joe Gantt for VP

Nominations from floor? Hearing none- close nominations- consent ballot for Joe Gantt

Finance Committee- - Kevin Minch several years of similar budget- no reason to alter budget, we retain necessary amount of funds

Recommending to go forward with budget

Renea- in spring we approve the budget

Marlin Bates- taking over for Skip Rutledge (Site Committee)

Two definite maybes & a definite backup- WWU & Utah, UOP will host if necessary- 2012 is covered- dates to come- please let know if you want to host

Publications- 2 manuscripts ready to publish- need additional articles- doing panels, why not submit them for publication? Waste of good thinking & research

Brent Northup- journals available for all members- Brent would love to send it to you

Action items

Sweeps points- Jim Hanson

Joe Gantt- explains that what this allows for is partial elimination rounds to count for NPDA sweeps points

Passed by voice vote

Discussion Items

Michael Dreher- Tournament Rules

Motion to move to action item, motion fails to receive a second

Discussion item- moved and seconded

question- what is the check?

Dreher- check is the current system- judges have responsibility when sign the ballot. They should let the debaters know that they have received a yellow/red card.

Marty- Do I have to find debaters who didn't show up?

Dreher- If you can't find them, you can't find them, but if you see them you should let them know

Brent- Would they not be held responsible if they were not informed

Dreher- Not the intent of the item.

John Meany- Inquitable- do the debaters have a claim that they are mistreated- then the debaters receive the appeal?

Melissa Franke- Making sure that students know? Why not with the warm room?

Dreher- We don't post in round 8

Minch- appeal must be lodged immediately after round

Gantt- implementation issues- sometimes we don't know until nearly the end of tabbing that a team has received a card

Will be considered at spring 2011 business meeting.

Michael Dreher- ADA issue

With prep rooms and competition rooms- treat ADA concerns equally. Not only debaters, but judges. Required by federal law- procedure needs to match federal law

Marty- implementation issues could be difficult

Marlin- This can be gamed- with no specific deadline- someone "fell down and twisted their knee", and get a more favorable prep room

Meany- This is federal law, we must find a way to implement

Todd Graham- this works great for debaters who have been in this situation

Jacob Stutzman- in the rush for prep rooms- ADA did not apply to prep rooms. This would help resolve this problem if we considered.

Steven Farias- rules of the tournament still apply- assign prep rooms in certain cases- assign just that school a room- everyone else has the mad rush- we know what else is up for grabs

Stutzman- this did not happen last year

Geof Brodak- ADA rooms could be in one location that no one else can sign up for- people will game it if you let them- should use ADA compliant rules

Steven Hunt- Feasible Need to understand an ADA requirement

Birkholt- Different definitions of ADA. How to ensure fair treatment?

Franke- does not prevent the instance of other accommodation

Birkholt- Don't want someone in position of doing walking- it might have been an injury issue- if TD privileges without specific rule, they don't do it if it not humane

Graham- let TD do this.

Joe- amend the proposal, "but no later than registration" as a deadline

Amendment passes unanimously

Any further discussion- call the question

Vote on entire amendment- passes unanimously

Announcements

Chat available afterward.

Motion to adjourn passes.