

Minutes of the NPDA Business Meeting

- 1) Called to order at 2:00
- 2) Officers reports
 - Ex-President: Robert Trapp reported on the AFA business meeting. He suggested that due to our relationship with AFA we might be able to use the AFA credit card system to handle membership dues. Also because of our relationship with the organization, he suggested that all committee members and district representatives should also be members.
 - Treasurer: Brent Northup reported that the national tournament last year lost \$4800. The state of the association is still acceptable and solvent but down from the desired levels. He also has mailing labels available.
 - Student Rep: David Graham presented the student rep's report. He has been using e-mail to gain consensus from regional representatives. He has gotten some response although none from the south and the east. His main concern is how to increase student involvement in NPDA.
 - Site Report: Marty Birkholt presented the tournament host's report. He suggested that 142-152 would be available for the national tournament. In addition there will be conference rooms and entertainment.
 - 2001 Site Report: Scott Gratson reported that 187 rooms would be available on campus. Also, he suggested that the Adam's Mark would be the tournament hotel at \$89 or lower per night. The Metro State bid was accepted for March 23-26, 2001.
 - Webmaster: Michael made various announcements regarding the developing webpage. NPDA-L is available for subscription soon. This will be a moderated announcement list rather than all topic. (Update: NPDA.net is available now and NPDA.org is in use.)
 - Journal Editor: Ed reported that we need more articles for the journal. The next deadline for submission is January.
 - President: Skip discussed a future developmental conference but the dates need to be decided.
 - Executive Secretary: Renea noted that most of her announcements are on the listserv yesterday.
- 3) Nominations: Renea was re-nominated. No other nominations. (People desirous of the position shouldn't hesitate to nominate themselves, Renea will not fight you for it.)
- 3) New Business:
 - Item One: Moved by presentation. Ayes 14 plus 17 proxies. Nos 5 plus 1 proxy. 31-6.
 - Item Two: Moved by presentation. Carried by voice vote.
 - Item Three: Moved by presentation. Carried by voice vote.
 - Item Four: Moved by presentation. Friendly amendments added lodging expenses to the AFA president and reimbursed topic committee members expenses caused by extra lodging under in NPDA financial responsibilities 2.A. and 1.A. respectively. We clarified who has responsibilities for the Irish debaters and it isn't NPDA per se. Ayes 17 plus 19. Nos 1 plus 1. Abstentions 1.
 - Motion to table all the remaining items. Ayes 11 plus 6. Nos 9 plus 8. Motion fails.
 - Item Five: Moved by presentation. Friendly amendment to strike "Immediately" from the item. Previous question was moved, seconded and passed. Ayes 3 plus 1 (Subsequent discussion of this vote suggests that the minutes should be amended to read "1 plus 3". The chair announcement of 4 for and 29 against was not contested at the meeting by anyone present). Nos 14 plus 15. Motion fails.
 - Motion to table items 6 to 13. Ayes 11 plus 7. Nos 7 plus 12.
 - Item Seven: Taken out of order without objection. Moved by presentation. Ayes 7 plus 8. Nos 12 plus 5.
 - Item Eight: Taken out of order without objection. Moved by presentation. Ayes 5 plus 6. Nos 13 plus 11.

Meeting adjourned and remaining items--sans any withdrawn by the originators--to be moved to the NPDA Tournament meeting.