

Minutes

Business Meeting, NPDA- Spring 2011

Minutes seconded and approved

Reports

Brent- A few schools left to arrive, but all seems well

Joe- Thanks for your help in getting tournaments in. A few to go.

Renea- No report

Site committee- WWU will host in 2012, U of Pacific will host in 2013, Maybe Utah in 2014. Great to have advance planning.

Steve- not sure on the weather, really close to Canada

Brent- Appreciation for both schools

Action item- Michael Dreher- Disclosure of rules violations

Joey Mavity asks for a clarification, it is received.

Move to a vote, seconded.

Motion carries

Discussion item- Joey Mavity- "novice" designation. Wasted money if people not novices

Marlin- does this expand the novice designation?

Amended to have the NPDA tournament rules included in the rule change.

Amendment passes.

Motion to move to an action item, seconded, passed

Main Motion passes

Discussion Item- Joe Gantt- Electronic resources. Should be able to use online pairings and eventually ballots.

Phil- Can we keep them from going only online (still have paper copies). Joe- Yes. This just allows.

Joey- is this really talking about pairings?

Joe- The original rationale of the rule was to prevent pairings from going online

Marlin- how will this affect ballot pickup?

Joe- The timing of pairing release could be determined by TD. More flexibility for the tournament director. Also decreases forfeitures.

Motion to make an action item, seconded. Passed.

Main Motion passes.

Discussion item- Chuck Walts- modify the eligibility standards to create a similar standard between NPTE and NPDA

Geof- Why does this matter? Local rules are OK.

Chuck- problem if student is eligible in one org, not others

Rob- Why does NPDA have to change, not NPTE?

Marty- Doesn't necessarily affect invitational tournaments at all. Creates an unfair playing field.

Dan- Community college students would benefit from this. It is not sandbagging.

Phil- this is a good idea- people who study abroad, two years of PKD

Joey- how would this affect current students?

Rob- This doesn't set up the "clock". Would this allow current students?

Phil- maybe we could add a "six year clock"

Marty- could actually travel a 2L

Kristine- what keeps you from doing this?

Marty- I am actually not disadvantaged. 😊

Joey- propose to include "Contestants are limited to competition at NPDA when said tournament occur within five calendar years of their first national tournament."

Joey withdraw, and rephrases- "Contestants eligibility will have expired six years after their first semester competing in two or more tournaments".

Marlin-If someone is taking time off- that person is done

Joey- prevents degree of exploitative manipulation. Balance between abuse and inclusiveness

Marty- There may be alternative paths. This is too constraining.

Melissa- if scholarships are involved may keep students from completing. Is this really a problem?

Kevin- Vote for the proposal as is, not amended. This could really hurt someone.

Kristine- Vote for the proposal as stands- there is some reason to want parity between the two organizations, and this actually adds more of a problem between the two

Amendment fails

Motion to move to an action item

Motion fails, and this moves to fall agenda

Tournament Director Report- strike confirmation forms, please sign and get them back

Discussion Item- Konrad- An entire tournament should count for NPDA sweepstakes. The tournament ends after two elimination rounds.

Phil- this will prevent smaller schools from competing.

Ankur- how are walkovers handled?

Joe- they are a win

Jacob- how much programming?

Joe- not a whole lot

Marlin- sems and finals?

Geof- number of elims is what makes the elims. Disincentivizes going to local tournaments. Prevents gaming of the system- and keeps local tournaments going.

Glenn- We are past that point. Movement to go to bigger and badder tournaments.

Marty- one day tournaments like they are having in Minnesota. Are they still happening?

Marlin- reverse is also happening. PSCFA is using this to limit down to only two elims.

Jared- Local tournaments often have more vibrant JV and novice divisions- more opportunities in those divisions. If a major concern- put a cap on the number of points earned.

Konrad- reduction- 4 years ago, compelling argument. Local tournaments are dying because we have to get out of region, the level of competition is not there. Better competition encourages programs to stay home.

Dan- not sure how it affects local circuit. Trying to cater both local and national- the sweeps rule doesn't matter. Original intent was to keep parity.

Marlin- you can do all of these things in 3 days.

Dan- Two day tournaments are good.

Konrad- You can have a 1 round tournament. Some floor on the number of rounds that count for sweepstakes.

Glenn- this almost happened in Houston. "We can rack up the points".

Marty- they should both be action items

Joey- make this an action item.

Motion passes. Main Motion Passes.

Moving first Konrad item to action item. Motion Passes.

Tournament stats- 149 teams, 7:00 prep room assignment, 8:30 first round

