

I. The meeting was called to order by President Kamel at 9:22 a.m.

II. Secretary Ballingall called the roll.

Proxies: Diane Rosa representing Karen Minick (YFL President), Karson Kalashion representing Chad Hayden (Southern Valley President), Sal Tinajero representing  
Absent: Marmonte President Jennifer Kindred, Area III Curriculum Representative, CBSR President Jamie Scharns, Area IV Representative At Large

III. Minutes from January 2006 meeting were circulated; **M/Cummings, S/Keller-Firestone to accept the minutes as presented.**

IV. Officer Reports

President Kamel

State Tournament went well; thanks to all here and all coaches; thanks to Rita Prichard and Marcus Walton for trip to Capitol for Congress; Rita Prichard for dignitary judges; Rita, June Read, and Linda Darling for their efforts.

Cummings: Thanks to Ron Underwood for last minute work; Karen Meredith for running IE, dealing with rooms; Nermin Kamel for her work over the months

Kamel: Further thanks to Donovan Cummings and Carmendale Fernandes; Paul Pinza for writing the Congress resolution honoring Bob DeGroff, and Bob Stockton and Andara Macdonald for their tributes to BobDeGroff.

Protests:

1. A team who had added 2 songs to Duo, and touched each other.  
Ruling: The touching occurred in the intro, therefore it was allowed; 2 instances of added words: 1<sup>st</sup> set were in the script, 2<sup>nd</sup> set were 3 words not in the printed script; student was reduced by one rank.
2. A visual aid used in a Public Forum round.  
Ruling: It should've been treated as an evidence challenge, which needed to be filed in round, disallowed
3. Student who cut her hair during her final round speech (and added a line to indicate she was cutting her hair).  
Ruling: The Protest Committee felt the cutting of hair wasn't currently precluded by the by-laws; that the added line would've been penalized by lowering a rank, if the student hadn't already been ranked last.

4. Student who was in the hospital allowed to miss the first round of competition on Friday (ranked last in the round), and return to tournament Saturday for rounds two and three.

Ad-Hoc legal counsel

Discussions with the firm of O'Melveny and Myers. Will give us legal counsel for liability; Papers have been drawn up for new Presidential signature. In the fall, after further discussions, they will give us full representation. Einar Johnson indicated that while his name had been used in connection with this effort in the past, he wished to disassociate himself from it.

IE Committee report

Met and considered some by-laws revisions. A proposal to use true rankings throughout the State Tournament was recommended unfavorably by the Committee.

A packet of information was distributed which included qualifier allocation worksheets, bonus spreadsheets, and information regarding double entry at the 2006 State Tournament.

Joy of Tournaments worked well enough as a beginning; possibility of moving entry process online, which would simplify many of the administrative tasks.

Willford: we should try to coordinate judges time slots with their students' competition times. Keller-Firestone: A school with huge entries isn't clearly required to provide enough judges, given the way the current entry form is worded.

**M/Willford, S/Wolf: appropriate \$1500 for Brent Hinkle next year**

Discussion of Hinkle's fee this year: \$500 stipend, \$300 air fare, comp room, \$110 air transport. Prichard: He typed in all of the community judges and contact information.

**Motion passes, by voice vote.**

**M/Willford, S/Wolf: Create an ad hoc committee on judges' instructions, which will meet in January; Lynette Williamson would chair (CHSSA will pay her expenses).**

**Motion passes, unanimously by voice vote.**

Candidates for officer elections, to be held this afternoon:

President: Sharon Prefontaine

VP Activities: Nermin Kamel, Molly Chertock

VP Curriculum: Rita Prichard

Each candidate gave brief speeches regarding their candidacies, and a number of Council members spoke in support of the candidacies.

Vice President of Curriculum Prichard

Will put a list of materials available for sale online, including "Speaking Across the Curriculum," \$10; The Coaches Handbook, \$20; Expository DVD, \$15. The Advocacy DVD will be available in October and will cost \$15.

There has been a DVD distribution problem: at least 3 coaches came and said they hadn't received the Expository DVD after paying membership dues; several others surveyed also said they hadn't. Some League Presidents haven't distributed all of the DVDs. The Advocacy DVD will be sent individually to schools.

Progress on the Advocacy DVD: filmed at least half, DVD will include an interview with the finalists, 20-25 min.; and with the final round judges. Many thanks to coaches who were interviewed.

Dr. Andara Macdonald reported on the CATE Conference:

This was our 2<sup>nd</sup> year as vendors, 11 am Friday to 4:30 Saturday; booth rental, ad, printing costs were \$1745; room, mileage airfare \$1200; new members and materials sold: \$580.

Rationale for continuing (which the Curriculum Committee recommends)

1. Publicity
2. Distribution of curriculum materials
3. Networking English colleagues
4. Associate memberships

We will develop a survey regarding associate memberships and how people are using the materials they acquire at CATE; the 2007 conference will be in Fresno, Feb 9-10-11.

Graber: College Board is developing an AP Theater program; they're in the midst of creating a list of recommendations; speech is a more rigorous discipline, we should move in this direction. Macdonald: We tried to get one put together many years ago, couldn't get support for it; university speech programs use their grad students to teach required speech classes Chertock: AP might be pushing instead into Theater history, or possibly portfolio.

Sharon Prefontaine and Shirley Keller-Firestone reported on efforts to get back involved with the UC VPA requirement again:

On the UC website, none of the VPA courses are speech/debate/forensics courses; trying to get UC approval; questions for consideration of courses by UC; if getting VPA credit, must be taught by a teacher with an arts credential, not by an English teacher; has your school or district previously had the course disapproved? Curriculum Committee will do a new survey.

The UC website, for further information about requirements: [www.ucop.edu/a-gGUIDE](http://www.ucop.edu/a-gGUIDE)

Prichard: The Committee is working on an instructional tape to go with Speaking Across the Curriculum; ongoing project. Copies of all Curriculum materials were given to Scott Wunn when he was at the State Tournament.

Landes: maybe a new promotional video? NFL has a motto of "Training Youth for Leadership," no curriculum for that now; Prichard: we need to be California-specific.

Vice President of Public Relations Fernandes

Complimented Sacramento folks for hosting tournament, judges, college cooperation, hotels. No complaints from hotels, other than wanting coaches to make reservations, occasional noise complaints.

Upcoming schedule:

Sept. 14-17: LAX Radisson (deadline is Sept. 4)

Jan. 4-7: SD (Hyatt Islandia, higher rate than the past)

Apr. 19-22: State Tournament at Fullerton; working on hotels

May San Jose Hyatt

Wolf: Is it possible to make available a budget package for schools that don't have much money? Fernandes: hard to negotiate.

Secretary Ballingall

A roster was distributed and people were asked to provide current information.

Ballingall expressed the thanks of the DeGroff family and Maggie in particular for all of the good wishes from Council members and other coaches.

Treasurer Barenbaum

Report distributed. Barenbaum will have new addresses. Before June, send me materials to old addresses, from July on, Miguel Contreras Learning Center, email me for home address. Willford: noted that State Tournament printing costs dropped from \$700 to \$0 as a result of results being available online. Barenbaum: Request Area Chairs send all checks in by October 1 so that some money is available early in the year.

Kamel: Was having dues info online helpful? Barenbaum: email updates from Area Chair helped more.

Curriculum budget is over; original budget didn't include development of the DVD, etc.

Editor Meredith

Thanks to everyone for their work in the IE Tab. Computerization was a great move forward. Thanks to Nermin Kamel for making everything run so smoothly.

Spring Bulletin: will be coming out.

Fall: any pictures of the Congress at the State Capitol? If your student participated in Congress at the Capitol, what did that mean to them? Write something for the Bulletin, send it directly to Karen.

Fall will include Paul Pinza's Congress resolution dedicated to Bob DeGroff.

Please send materials in!

### Historian Cummings

Mary Ritter (2<sup>nd</sup> CHSSA President) died on May 2, 2006 (91 years old).

Hall of Fame vote: Suzanne Munsell and Neil Barenbaum received enough votes to be on ballot next year; all the leagues didn't vote; ballots will be handed out at January meeting.

Presidents need to distribute materials to all coaches; compilation of speeches distributed last fall weren't distributed to many.

Congratulations: Shirley Keller-Firestone received her 5<sup>th</sup> NFL Diamond; Gay Brasher, was elected to the NFL Hall of Fame.

Cummings attended and observed at a Migrant Ed. debate tournament, impressed with the level of competition and participation. These students are possible future members and competitors. How does a group of students like that become eligible to compete?

Willford: Michael Gonzales retiring, June 4 retirement reception.

Brasher expressed her appreciation to all those who helped her when she was starting out, and pointed out that there are others out there who need our help.

President Kamel declared the meeting in recess at 11:50 a.m., to resume at 1 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 1:26 p.m.

## V. Area Chair Reports

### Area 1 Chair Keller-Firestone

2008 State Tournament, 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Site will possibly be Diablo Valley.

### Area 2 Chair Darling

Tournament went well; Sierra College was incredibly supportive. Would like to thank Rita Prichard for all her hard work, etc., June Read and Terry McSweeney for all their efforts, and the league as well. Ron Underwood was also very helpful.

Brasher: The food situation was great. Prichard: Sierra College was happy and proud to host us. I have lots of lost and found. Contact me by June 10.

Read is writing a report on hosting the State Tournament; will she edit and distribute.

#### Area 3 Chair Novak

Survived first tournament; thanks to all.

#### Area 4 Chair Macdonald

Introduced the Hispanic National Teacher of the Year, Sal Tinajero (Fullerton, OCSL). State Tournament: moved from Chapman, moved to Fullerton High School. 74 rooms, 1500 seat auditorium for awards. Local committee is working. Dinner-dance will probably be at Yorba Linda Community Center; will try to get a donation from Kourtney Kennedy to help underwrite costs. Will be able to accommodate as many as wish to come. The community very supportive.

Tinajero: district, school administration is very supportive. Minimum Day on Friday Rep. Loretta Sanchez would like to come to awards. Chertock: campus will be nearing the end of renovations.

Bob Stockton is retiring from coaching; next year on the Council will be his last year.

## VI. Committee Reports

### IE Committee (Kamel)

Website. Andrew Harris would like to continue as webmaster, but doesn't understand speech, so needs close communication and instructions. Look of website (including pictures) can be revised, we just need to tell him what we want.

### Debate Committee (Ballingall)

No immediate business. The committee will revise the policy debate ballot to include instructions on the ballot itself (eliminating the need for a separate page). Much of the Committee discussion concerned Parliamentary Debate issues. Asked that Presidents go back to leagues and ask whether coaches would prefer a Prep Room for Parliamentary Debate. Also indicated that the Committee is going to suggest ending the practice of double flighting Parliamentary and Public Forum, which seems to cause judge confusion (PF can continue to be double flighted, with itself). There was also some discussion about being more systematic in the writing and assignment of topics to particular Parliamentary Debate rounds. This will be discussed further in September.

The Committee is aware of proposals to (1) eliminate double-entries and (2) expand Parliamentary and Public Forum debate, but takes no position as a committee on these issues.

Ballingall wished to thank the IE Tab Room Chairs (Karen Meredith, Donovan Cummings, and Derek Yuill) for the cooperation and good working relationship they all shared at the Tournament.

Graber: Would appreciate guidance on how to word parliamentary topics, perhaps we can put a list of last year's topics on website.

Congress Committee (Matley)

Met and discussed some minor and some major topics.

In future, will have names on seating charts, and students are allowed to refer to each other by names. As to why topic order isn't released, don't want students practicing late into the night for semis. In the future, however, we will post order of bills for prelims.

Visual aids: packet says visual aids are discouraged. There were no visual aids at the Tournament but By-laws say that they are banned and the packet wording will be changed. Major issue: The Committee has worked hard to give kids an equal opportunity to speak on all bills. Will propose (in New Business) to break up final round into two 90 minute sessions. Will also propose other motions to implement this motion.

Bob DeGroff was greatly missed at the Congress Committee meeting.

VII. Old Business

There was no old business.

VIII. New Business

Balloting for the 2006-2007 Officer Elections took place. Results:

President: Sharon Prefontaine

VP Curriculum: Rita Prichard

VP Activities: Nermin Kamel

**MOTION TO REVISE THE BY-LAWS 06-05-A: M/Chertock, S/Macdonald**

Article X, Section 2, Paragraph D, Page 2 (new next in bold, deleted text stricken):

**D. Computing rankings**

~~1. Whenever a judge has marked a contestant lower than fifth, such a rank shall be changed to fifth before tabulation begins. This adjustment shall not be made when tabulating ranks for the final round. However, after a sixth or seventh has been tabulated as a fifth and a tie occurs between contestants for a rank, the sixth and seventh shall be used to determine judges' preference.~~

(Replace with the following:)

1. Judges shall rank competitors first through seventh. No ties shall be allowed. No adjustment shall be made to ranks in any round.

Chertock: They already see their scores online, so why not allow the ranking. A student who gets "5 to the 7<sup>th</sup>" isn't fairly ranked. Meredith: "hurt" isn't psychological as opposed to the damage that is done to the student's chances if they get a 7. Who's to say that 1-2-5 to the 7<sup>th</sup> isn't better than 2-2-4? First round especially is tough. There are other problems, such as judge errors, etc. Kamel: Students would've been eliminated based on one judge rank. Kamel received an email from a judge expressing this idea; 7 is too powerful.

**Motion fails, by voice vote.**

**MOTION TO REVISE THE BY-LAWS 06-05-B: M/Kamel, S/Graber**

Article II, Section 3, Paragraph 1, Page 1 (new next in bold, deleted text stricken):

~~The Presidents of the Leagues within each Area shall elect an Area Chairperson for the coming year at the annual CSSC meeting held in the spring after the State Tournament, and so inform the CHSSA President and CHSSA Secretary at said meeting. Area Chairpersons may be reelected. The term of office shall be one year: July 1 to June 30 of the following year.~~

(Replace with the following:)

Individuals wishing to run for Area Chairperson must declare their candidacy to the CHSSA President by the conclusion of the Winter meeting of the CSSC. Those declaring their candidacy must be affiliated with a school from within that Area. Those individuals will provide to the President no later than April 1 of that year a statement of no more than 200 words. Each candidate's statement will be printed on a ballot and posted on the CHSSA website. The member schools of each Area will then popularly elect Chairpersons at the State Tournament through a ballot box at registration. Schools not attending the State Tournament may submit their ballots by mail. The CHSSA Historian or his/her designee should handle ballot collection.

President Kamel relinquished Chair to Vice President Prichard.

Kamel: The position of Area Chair deserves respect, has a lot of power, responsibility; should be an elected position, elected by the area coaches. The process for electing Area Chairs is awkward. Macdonald: The proposed resolution doesn't indicate person running for AC needs to be from the area.

**Motion to remand to committee: M/Macdonald; S/Chertock. Fails.**

Kamel: Didn't intend to limit by Area or by CSSC membership since those requirements are not in By-laws now. Barenbaum: Good to open things up. Chertock: leagues don't know each other well; people won't know who they're voting for. Meredith proposed the following friendly amendment to the 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence of the resolution: "Those declaring their candidacy must be affiliated with a school from within that Area." Kamel and Graber accepted the amendment.

Johnson: Reality is, area chairs are powerful people, is awkward for people to challenge people in a meeting. What's the harm. Landes: Cumbersome as far as process. Wolf: People can find candidates and find out about them.

**Motion passes, by hand count, 16 in favor, 4 opposed, 2 abstentions.**

President Kamel resumed the Chair.

**MOTION TO REVISE THE BY-LAWS 06-05-F: M/Ballingall, S/Kalashian**

Article VII, Section 3, Page 1-2 (new next in bold, deleted text stricken):

Due to its length, the text of this amendment is appended to the end of these minutes.

Ballingall: This resolution serves two purposes: First, to "clean up" the section on qualifier allocations, and second, to put in place some kind of punishment for a league which doesn't fill its entry at the State Tournament and has to give up qualifier slots to another league.

Wolf: Does the league which picks up the entries keep their wins/sweepstakes? Ballingall: Yes. Graber: The penalty only affects that event? Ballingall: Yes.

**Motion tabled, by hand count, 13 in favor, 4 opposed.**

**MOTION TO REVISE THE BY-LAWS 06-05-G: M/Hayden, S/Johnson**

Article VII, Section 3, Paragraph 1, Page 1 (new next in bold, deleted text stricken):

Entrants: There shall be fifty-six entrants in each individual event held at the State Tournament, ninety entrants in Congress plus twelve presiding officer entrants, **and** sixty-four entries in **both** policy, ~~debate and Lincoln-Douglas debate~~, **and** ~~thirty-two entries in~~ public forum and parliamentary debate.

Kalashian: This is a matter of equity; we should do what's best for students, and do them so that they're treated as real events, equal to the other debate events. Ballingall: Logistical difficulties, equity impossible (for example, the number of entries in each IE and Congress are different from the 64 entries in policy and LD).

Johnson: Both very well received; statistically ratios of students qualifying in Team Debate are lower than both Public Forum and Parliamentary Debate. If more than 2 qualifying slots are available for a league, there will be double the entries and interest. Logistics: made it work when we added the new events; more entrants = more judges; rooms shouldn't be an issue. Seem to find a way. Many people are embracing these forms; kids want.

Cummings: 64 entries in all 4, requires 80 rooms; cutting team and LD back to 56, need 70 rooms. Worthy of discussion back at the leagues.

**Motion to postpone discussion until the fall meeting; M/Cummings, S/Rodriguez;  
Motion passes, by hand count, 18 in favor, 1 opposed, 1 abstention.**

**Motion to remove By-Law Amendment 06-05-F from the table; M/Keller-Firestone,  
S/Ballingall, passes by voice vote.**

**Main motion (06-05-F) passes, by hand count, 15 in favor, 3 opposed, 5 abstentions.**

**MOTION TO REVISE THE BY-LAWS 06-05-D: M/Stockton, S/Johnson**

Article XIII, Section 6, Paragraph D, E, Page 3 (new next in bold, deleted text stricken):

Section 6. ~~Bicameral~~ **Unicameral** Semi-Final Sessions.

D. Each chamber shall discuss and act on the ~~two~~ bills/resolutions which ~~were~~ **was** assigned to the semi-final sessions by the Congress Committee.

E. The ~~two~~ semi-final sessions shall consist of ninety (90) minutes ~~each~~.

Matley: What is rationale for 2 semifinals? Helps with PO division, and we don't need that any more. Johnson: both times you run semifinal round, everything is the same, same participants.

**Motion passes, by voice vote.**

**MOTION TO REVISE THE BY-LAWS 06-05-C: M/Stockton, S/Wolf**

Article XIII, Section 7, Paragraph A,B,C, F, Page 3-4 (new next in bold, deleted text stricken):

Section 7. Final ~~Unicameral~~ **Bicameral** Session.

A. There shall be a **two** final ~~unicameral~~ **sessions of Congress**. Fourteen congresspersons shall be chosen on a low cumulative score basis using all semi-finalist judge ballots added to the preliminary cumulative score totals, with ties resolved as in individual events.

B. A **Each** final session shall have ~~2-1/2 hours~~ **90 minutes** of debate time. ~~The final session will be divided at mid-point by a ten-minute recess.~~ **The first session shall close followed by a ten minute recess to be followed by the opening of a second session of the final round.**

C. ~~The chamber~~ **Each session** shall discuss and act on ~~the two~~ **one** bills/resolutions which ~~were~~ **was** assigned to the final sessions by the Congress Committee.

F. Ties for congress places shall be resolved by the greatest numbers of firsts, seconds, etc. in the final sessions and then by all judges' ballots preliminary through semi-final sessions.

Matley: This eliminates the problem of the inequity of time for each piece of legislation in the final round. Landes: Use the same judges throughout both finals? Matley: This doesn't address judge issue. Graber: Do you plan to use judges for 200 minutes? Matley: no, it's a wording issue. Johnson: we want to make sure each bill has a separate session.

**Motion passes, by voice vote.**

**MOTION TO REVISE THE BY-LAWS 06-05-E: M/Stockton, S/Macdonald**

Article XIII, Section 8, Paragraph B,C, Page 4 (new next in bold, deleted text stricken):

B. There shall be ~~three~~ **five** official scorers in ~~each chamber serving for each half~~ of the semi-final session.

C. There shall be ~~seven~~ **five** official scorers serving in each ~~half~~ **chamber** of the final session.

Matley: This weights the final round twice as heavily as the semifinal round, which is appropriate. Graber: Too long for the judges? Matley: Judges didn't complain at this year's Tournament.

**Motion to remand to the Congress Committee, M/Ballingall, S/Wolf, passes, voice vote.**

**MOTION TO REVISE THE BY-LAWS 06-05-H: M/IE Committee, S/Tinajero**

Article IX, Section 2, Paragraph A2b, Page 4 (new next in bold, deleted text stricken):

b. Aids: Visual and audio aids may be used during the presentation of the speech. No live animals or other persons may be used as visual aids or to help set up and/or present the speech. The speech may be delivered from memory, notes or manuscript.

No costumes shall be worn by the contestant. Items of dress necessary to the presentation of the speech may be put on during the speech. These must be considered aids and may not be part of the speaker's beginning or ending attire. Prior to the first speech contestants may set up materials off stage. Any and all aids must be removed from in front of the audience at the conclusion of the speech.

**Any alteration to the student's physical appearance must be substantially restored to its original state by the end of the performance. Students may not use any prop that would be considered contraband.**

Brasher: nothing in by-laws regarding changing appearance in the round. Novak: Is contraband the right term? Landes: someone cut their hair in a round; could do injections, tattoos, etc. Rodriguez: his student would've done it anyway; not trying to do something gimmicky, thought she had a message; we should perhaps trust our coaches to prevent problematic behavior. Brasher: Slippery slope; I saw kids trying to outdo other kids. Frightens me because kids push limits. Macdonald: What is definition of contraband? Johnson: Unconstitutionally vague statute; risk of being slippery slope in the other direction. What does "substantially" mean? Contraband by who?

**Motion to remand to the IE Committee, M/Prefontaine, S/Wolf, passes, voice vote.**

**MOTION TO REVISE THE BY-LAWS 06-05-I: M/Read, S/Ballingall**

Article VII, Section 4, Paragraph M, Page 10 (new next in bold, deleted text stricken):

M. Individual leagues shall have the power to devise and use ~~ceding~~, **seeding**, pre-qualifying, and/or automatic qualifying systems as they see fit.

Any league tournament used to qualify a student to the State

Tournament shall be run as closely as possible by the State

Tournament rules.

Read: Word is misused or at least misspelled.

**Motion passes, voice vote.**

Historian Cummings announced the results of the election of officers for 2006-7:

President: Sharon Prefontaine

VP Activities: Nermin Kamel

VP Curriculum: Rita Prichard

The meeting was adjourned at 3:49 p.m.

Submitted by Chuck Ballingall, CHSSA Secretary.

**MOTION TO REVISE THE BY-LAWS 06-05-F: M/Ballingall, S/Kalashian**

## Section 3. Entrants:

- A. Distribution of individual events entries: There shall be fifty-six entrants in each individual event held at the State Tournament. Eight of these entrants shall come from each of the four Areas.
1. At the Spring Meeting of the CSSC every year, the Area Chairpersons in committee shall recommend to the CHSSA President an allocation of the remaining seventeen entrants in each individual event using the following formula (Only those assessments received by the treasurer by March 31 of that school year shall be counted toward an area and leagues assessment totals):
    - a. The sum total of CHSSA assessments collected by CHSSA for the current year and the two immediately prior years shall be determined from records kept by the Treasurer and Area Chairpersons.
    - b. The sum total of CHSSA assessments collected within each Area for the current year and the two immediately prior years shall be determined.
    - c. The Area total for each three year period shall be divided by the grand total of all assessments for the three year period. This shall yield a percentage total which shall be multiplied by seventeen, which total shall be added to the eight allocated to an Area to determine the total Area allotment. Area totals must be rounded up or down so that the total of all qualifiers allocated equals 49. (e.g.: percentage total = 0.25;  $0.25 \times 17 = 4.25$ ;  $4.25 + 8 = 12.25$ ; 12.25 - 12.0 qualifiers)
    - d. The final numbers may appear something like the following:  
Area 1 = 12.2 qualifiers  
Area 2 = 11.6 qualifiers  
Area 3 = 13.3 qualifiers  
Area 4 = 11.9 qualifiers
    - e. A grid is laid out with each Area followed by twelve squares, the twelve squares representing one individual event of the twelve offered at the State Tournament. To accommodate the fractions of whole numbers, the Areas draw in turn making sure that no column added to more than 49 vertically. Each column is labeled A, B, C etc., and the letters are drawn to distribute the qualifiers. Then the letters are drawn naming at random all twelve individual events. The names of the individual events take the place of the A, B, C etc. at the top of the column.
  2. In the absence of a unanimous recommendation in "1" above, the President shall make the final decision as to the allocation of remaining entrants to each Area.
  3. A written summary of the decision and the reasons for it shall be sent to each CSSC member within two weeks after the meeting.

4. Bonus entries: A bonus of seven entries per existing individual event will be added (one panel), using the following formula (Appendix G: worksheet):
  - a. Based on the previous three years' State Tournaments and total league entries, the number of sweepstakes points earned shall be divided by the total number of *allocated* league entries.
  - b. This number is to be used to rank the leagues in order.
  - c. The top seven leagues shall each receive one bonus entry.
  
- B. Distribution of Student Congress entries: There shall be ninety entrants in Congress plus twelve presiding officer entrants. Twenty-one entrants in Congress shall be allotted to each Area. *Each League will be allotted one presiding officer entrant.* A bonus of six entries for Student Congress will be added (one per House) using the following formula:
  1. Based on the previous three years' State Tournaments and total league entries, the number of sweepstakes points earned shall be divided by the total number of *allocated* league entries.
  2. This number is to be used to rank the leagues in order.
  3. The top six leagues shall each receive one bonus entry.
  
- C. Distribution of Policy and Lincoln-Douglas Debate entries: There shall be sixty-four entries in both Policy Debate and Lincoln-Douglas debate. Each Area shall receive fourteen Policy Debate and fourteen Lincoln-Douglas debate entries. In addition to these fifty-six entries, an additional eight bonus entries shall be distributed using the following formula (Appendix F: worksheet):
  1. To be eligible to receive additional entry(ies) to the State Debate Tournament, a League must average two (2) wins per *allocated* entry or better.
  2. The eight floating entries shall be distributed:
    - a. One to each eligible League.
    - b. Any remaining entry(ies) shall be distributed to the Leagues with the greatest average wins per entry.
  3. Tie-breaker. In the event of ties between Leagues, the tie shall be broken on the basis of greater average wins per entry in the four previous State Tournaments. If a tie still exists, the tie shall be broken on the basis of average wins per entry five years prior, six years prior, etc.
  
- D. Distribution of Public Forum and Parliamentary Debate entries: There shall be thirty two entries in both Public Forum and Parliamentary Debate. Each Area shall receive eight Public Forum and Parliamentary Debate entries.

- E. Legislative intent regarding "allocated entries": For the purposes of the bonus entries, any averages will be calculated using the number of entries originally assigned to a league for that year, NOT the number of entries which actually compete at the State Tournament. This provision is designed to encourage leagues to fill all of their slots to the State Tournament by making it more difficult for leagues to receive bonus entries if they don't use all of their allocated entries.*
- F. Distribution of entrants within each Area.
1. At the Spring meeting of the CSSC every year the Area Chairpersons shall recommend to the President the allocation of qualifiers to the recognized leagues within each Area. Distribution within Areas may follow any guidelines including:
    - a. Geographical distances;
    - b. Population;
    - c. Continued educational development;
    - d. Potential growth;
    - e. Overall participation in forensic competition;
    - f. Sustained forensic competitive activity;
    - g. Financial assessments paid to CHSSA using the same process as described in "A" above.
  2. In the absence of unanimous recommendation of the entrants within an Area, the CHSSA President shall make the final decision as to the allocation of entrants to the recognized leagues within an Area.
  3. Each recognized League within an Area shall be allocated a minimum of one entrant in each State Tournament, provided the League meets the requirements of qualification retention in Section 4 below.
  4. A League may not relinquish all its qualifiers without a release signed by all League members.