

SPRING BOARD MEETING MINUTES



20 May 2023 / 9:00 AM

GENERAL

- Call to order, Interim President Angelique Ronald
 - Called to order at 9:01 am by Angelique Ronald
- Roll Call, Secretary Benjamin Cummings

Present	Absent
Acting President / VP Activities - Angelique Ronald Vice President Curriculum - Minnia Curtis Treasurer - Jennifer Nguyen Secretary/Webmaster - Ben Cummings Historian - Gregg Osborn Area 1 Chairperson - Artem Raskin CFL Representative - Xavier Liu GGSA President - Dave Matley Area 1 Representative At-Large 1 - Lexy Green Area 1 Representative At-Large 2 - Julie Herman Area 2 Chairperson - Mikendra McCoy CVFL President - Joshua Stinson SVFL Representative - Nicole Jennison YFL President - Zack Kopecki Area 2 Curriculum Representative - Summer Calandra Area 2 Representative At-Large - Gaby Scully Area 3 Chairperson - Leilani McHugh SCDL President - Ashley Novak TCFL President - Bobby Lebeda WBFL President - Sarina Wang Area 3 Representative At-Large - Eleanor Nishioka Area 3 Curriculum Representative - Aaron Marquette Area 4 Chairperson - Rosalyn Foster CBSR President - Erik Pielstick OCSL President - Tony Ugalde Area 4 Representative At-Large - Sarah Sherwood Area 4 Curriculum Representative - Katie McMillan	Area 1 Curriculum Representative - Ben Fagan (absent) SDIVSL Representative - Charlie Synn (absent) Board Director - Steve Clemmons (absent) Board Director - Chris Harris (absent)

- Quick Meeting Reminders

Angelique	Please refer to the Robert's Rules of Order cheat sheet that was sent out. Please do not speak over each other. The chat is open but will not be included in minutes. To speak to an item please use the raise hand function. All voting will be done by polls. First item is to approve the agenda.
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- Approval of this agenda

Motion By:	Artem Raskin
Second By:	Mikendra McCoy

Vote:	26 Aye - 0 Nay
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Approval of Minutes from Jan 2023 ([view here](#))

Motion By:	Minnia Curtis
Second By:	Leilani McHugh
Vote:	26 Aye - 0 Nay

Approval of Special Session Minutes, March 2023 ([see here](#))

Motion By:	Rosalyn Foster
Second By:	Leilani McHugh
Vote:	26 Aye - 0 Nay

OFFICER REPORTS

Interim President/ Vice President of Activities, Angelique Ronald

<p>WRITTEN REPORT - President</p>	<p>Congratulations to Xavier Liu on directing a truly exceptional Middle School State Championship. It may have been Xavier's first time running Middle School State, but he honestly did an incredible job, in no small part due to the amazing team he assembled to help make sure everything ran super smoothly. I know as well as anybody that running a state championship is no easy task, so I want us all to take a moment to celebrate Xavier for doing something very hard . . . and doing it very, very well. Thank you, Xavier!</p> <p>As required by our rules, from the high school State Championship:</p> <p>We had 6 protests at State 2023, which is more protests than we have collectively had in several years. Half of the protests were related to Policy debate, where students were openly engaging in/ utilizing circuit norms that are direct violations of CHSSA rules (specifically tag-team cross ex and file sharing directly with judges). While our debate committee will revisit whether these rules need to be adjusted on our end, in the meantime, I would strongly suggest that Policy coaches familiarize yourselves with our unique rules and make sure your competitors understand them by the time Quals rolls around (but honestly, this is good advice for everybody, regardless of event specialty).</p>
<p>WRITTEN REPORT - VP Activities</p>	<p>First and foremost, I am so grateful to everyone who did so much to help make State 2023 (our first back in-person since 2019!) a success! More than anything, I'd like to thank Minnia Curtis and her entire team of incredible folks at Carlsbad High for a full year of work to make that weekend so amazing for each and every one of us. From kids to parents to administrators to Minnia herself (and even her wonderful kids and husband!),</p>

there isn't enough space here to accurately reflect just how grateful I am for each and every one of them. Thank you. And thank you, too.

While State was wonderful, being back highlighted a few procedural rule things that we need to clean up. In many cases, the committees are on it (thank you!) and in a few cases, I am going to draw up some proposals related to the administration of the tournament. Specifically:

Rollovers Between Areas (This one is going to be long, but this is a complicated problem, sorry). This effectively never happened before until last year. Let me explain. Basically, we've always had rollovers within Areas- meaning one League doesn't use all of its allocated spots to State, so another League (or Leagues) within the same Area fill them instead. It's a lovely, fair, organized system that is meticulously detailed in our rules, so no one can ever accuse anybody of nonsense or antics. But then two years ago, suddenly we had entire Areas not being able to fill allocations for the first time in CHSSA history, which left us asking: oh no, what do we do? The first year, thinking this was a one time fluke, I scrambled and with the blessing of the Officers and Area Chairs, we made it work. When it happened again this year (admittedly to a much lesser degree than year one- seriously, we had about 25% of the rollovers this year as the year before), I realized we have a problem we need to formally create a system of procedures to address. In the meantime this year, to make sure those spots got to kids rather than sit empty, I developed a system that mirrors our intra-Area rollover system as closely as possible and is effectively a more formal version of what we did the first time it happened. This system was unanimously approved for band aid usage by our Officers and Area Chairs, who reviewed it before I deployed it. Here's how it works: let's say Area 2 can't fill all of its Allocated Spots in Policy Debate. I then go look at the Master Entry Sheets for every League in the state, add up the total number of Policy entries by Area, then rank the Areas. The unfilled spot will go to the Area with the highest number of Policy entries at its qualifiers- for discussion purposes, let's say that Area is Area 1. I then look at the Leagues in Area 1, whichever League had the highest number Policy entries at its qualifier gets the spot (this year, that's CFL). If the Area gets another rollover spot in the same event, it goes to the other League in the area. Back and forth like that, unique to each event. That said, once we are 24 hours to State, filling drops sort of becomes an all hands on deck situation and we fill those spots by any means necessary, usually with local/ host league competitors (which is what CHSSA has always done that close to tournament start, going back decades). I acknowledge this is imperfect and please know it took hours and hours of my time this year and last, so I'm certainly not married to the system that robbed me of my precious sleep. This whole inter-Area rollover thing creates a

problem with Allocations (specifically Bonuses) because certain Areas, and Leagues, are disproportionately getting entries. This also creates an issue with Sweepstakes, but I'll be honest: I'm less worried about that because if kids compete at State and get far enough, they should probably be allowed to be counted for Sweeps regardless of how they qualified. To do any differently would not be fair to those competitors (who did well enough to count for Sweeps!).

The easiest way to avoid this chaos is for smaller Leagues and their coaches to be deliberate with making sure events are full at Qualifiers. If you don't know how to do this, let's talk. If you're in a big League, realize that this type of thing means being an alternate is a pretty powerful thing, even if you didn't initially qualify for State. Basically: everybody needs to strategize and I'll write some legislation in the meantime. Also: EVERYBODY DO POLICY DEBATE.

Double Entry I can hear you screaming in horror. Please stop, you're scaring the neighbors. I'm sorry. Listen, we have to talk about this. The fact of the matter is that things as they are with regard to double entry are simply not working at State each year and are often the lone source of some of our most obnoxious problems. Do you know why everybody had to bring a judge ratio of 1:3 to State this year? Double entry. Do you know why we were running late by over an hour the second half of Saturday this year? Double entry. Do you know why 1200 people had to sit in a hot gym for 2 hours and wait for a late awards ceremony this year? Double entry. Do you know why Congress is our calmest, happiest tabroom and they are always done by a humane hour, well ahead of every other tabroom at State each year? (the lack of) Double entry. Do you know what you can't do at Nationals? Double enter(y). Now, you may be thinking, "Actually, there are so many good solutions that you aren't even considering, silly Angelique!" in which case I implore you to go ahead and send those to my inbox- because I assure you, I don't want to recommend removing double entry, but I promise that every possible solution that keeps it as it is that we've considered just doesn't work or is ridiculously, stupidly complicated (and aren't we all sick of overly complicated, prescriptive CHSSA rules?). Despite continuing to agree to do this job for free, I promise I am generally not an idiot and have weighed many, many (many) options here (but again: none solve). You may have the secret sauce here and if you do, I will personally give you whatever the CHSSA equivalent of a Nobel prize is for your work (spoiler alert: it's probably just me saying thank you to and maybe a CHSSA pin?). Again, here's my email. Let me know by the start of July, please.

We do not yet have a location (or date) for State 2024. Here's what I can tell you: Due to conflicts on other dates with religious holidays that we need to honor, State either has to be April 12-14 or April 19-21. (I hear you screaming again. Please stop, that's bad

	<p>for your vocal chords. Don't worry: I am doing everything in my power to avoid that second weekend, as it will conflict with the TOC). We are more likely than not going to be in SVFL, which is either Bakersfield or Fresno. (Of course, if either of those fall through, we will be wherever will have us. Maybe Oregon. I don't know. I just need somewhere with a lot of rooms that's available all day on Friday). It'll be super fun (probably).</p> <p>PS: EVERYBODY DO POLICY DEBATE.</p>
<p>Angelique</p>	<p>Huge thank you to Minnia. It is a testament to what she has built at her school how well the event went.</p> <p>I want to highlight and thank Xavier who last week ran our middle school championship. We hope more schools will join us next year for middle school.</p> <p>The Fall meeting date that was chosen is August 19th-20th in Bakersfield, California. Many of us have joined the board and have never been to an in person meeting. Cost is important to talk about. No person will be required to cover their costs. All costs will be covered based on your position on the board. Leagues pay for league presidents and reps at large.</p> <p>This year we are asking that leagues hold elections by July 31 so we can know who the officers are so we can book hotel rooms.</p>
<p>Jennifer</p>	<p>Just a reminder about reimbursements for an in-person meeting that you do need to save your receipts, and alcohol is not reimbursed.</p>
<p>Angelique</p>	<p>We do have a dinner one night that is covered by CHSSA. We will let you know more information as it is finalized.</p> <p>State next year is not definitive, but we have some sites available. There are only two weekends we can hold it to observe religious holidays so we are pushing for the earlier date.</p>

Vice President of Curriculum, Minnia Curtis

<p>WRITTEN REPORT</p>	<p>I assure you, I've been busy, but with hosting State. Hopefully you'll agree it went smoothly (or as smoothly as possible for our first in-person State in four years) and you all enjoyed coming to Carlsbad. Now that it is over, and I can leave the joys of hosting State, I am re-focusing on Curriculum. Mikendra McCoy has been kind enough to offer her calendar/outline and our committee will be adapting it with adding lessons, both shared from our current holdings and created as needed. We will be communicating before summer and meeting in August so we can work on something full enough to be shared after the fall meeting.</p>
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Minnia	<p>Thank you to Mikendra who has put together some curriculum we will be starting to bulk up to provide teachers. We want to align with California's needs. We will be meeting in August prior to our meeting, and get a lot done at our in-person meeting.</p> <p>Now that I am not hosting the state tournament I can get more into the curriculum work.</p>
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Treasurer, Jennifer Nguyen

WRITTEN REPORT	Treasurer's Report
Jennifer	The report is linked. Not everything for the year is on there yet. We have not paid all the bills yet. Our apparel cost this year is also lower than previous years because our deposit from 2020 rolled over.

Secretary, Benjamin Cummings

WRITTEN REPORT	Please keep comments brief and I will do my best to represent everyone's words in the minutes.
Benjamin	I would like to switch to note-taking that simplifies the messaging by saying "Leilani approves and cites _____"
Artem	I know that Zoom can produce a transcript so that could be used in place of minutes.
Mikendra	I want to make sure there is detail for our population that reads the detailed minutes.

AREA CHAIR REPORTS

Area 1, Artem Raskin

WRITTEN REPORT	<p>Area 1 going strong. Great work to all the GGSA and CFL folks who helped run a fantastic State Tournament this year - Lexy, Debnil, Priya, Mariel, Terry, Aaron, Julie, Dave, Deidre, Kimberly, Kristen, Justin, and Xavier. And thank you to Carlsbad for hosting us! A special shout out to Mariel Cruz. She's been running CFL for the past three years and held us together through some very difficult times. She's stepping down now, due to being term-limited. Her replacement will have some big shoes to fill.</p> <p>GGSA updated its rules to allow middle schools affiliated with a member high school to compete at league tournaments (other than state quals). In the meantime, CFL went in the opposite direction, clarifying its rules to disallow any middle school competitors. I'm curious to hear how other leagues have</p>
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	<p>addressed this question.</p> <p>CFL has been working with our lawyer on dotting our i's and crossing our t's with our bylaws, taxes, and insurance. I'm happy to say that we're in good standing with all the government agencies. Thank you to the newly minted Hall of Fame coach Mr. Abad for his help with league insurance. When people share operational knowledge across leagues, great things can happen.</p> <p>This season, CFL increased its membership dues, and then used the extra revenue to cover the CHSSA annual assessments for all its member schools with a single check. This meant that each school only had to issue one payment instead of two separate ones. A few weeks ago, GGSA coaches voted unanimously to implement the same process in their league for next season. I'm hoping this will reduce the workload both for our coaches and for the CHSSA Treasurer moving forward.</p>
Artem	Area 1 is great.

Area 2, Mikendra McCoy

WRITTEN REPORT	<p>I want to echo the praise of Xavier and his incredible leadership, attention to detail, grace under pressure and the overall awesome experience that Middle School State was! Additionally, the team that Xavier gathered was fantastic, with little time to pull off the event, they nailed it; literal perfection!</p> <p>As for Area 2 ... we are in a place of rebuilding, as I mentioned in the state publication; we have had a number of coaches retire; so I just want to take a moment to stay thank you to the coaches that have served their leagues and are stepping down from their positions: Milla Smith, Summer Calandra, Kris Freitas, Alyssa Conroy, Michelle Van Nieuwenhuyzen, Zack Kopeki, James Grace ... I hope that I am not missing any others, if I am please forgive me. These absences will be noted. Thank you for all that you have provided for your students, schools and the activity itself.</p> <p>In that same vien, there is a need to fill those holes, in some cases there are replacements already in order, in others there are not; it is my hope that we will intentionally mentor new coaches so that the activity continues to thrive.</p> <p>Congrats to all the schools that made it to the state tournament, let alone to those who broke</p> <p>Tournament calendars are getting set, and I do not think that I am alone when I say I am excited about th upcoming year, but I am looking forward to the break; so enjoy your summer, short as it may be, and rest and refuel so that we can return to do what we do better than ever!</p>
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Mikendra	I am very grateful for the leadership of area 2.
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Area 3, Leilani McHugh

WRITTEN REPORT	<p>Thank you to everyone, especially Angelique and everyone who worked in Tab and ESPECIALLY Minnia and her fabulous crew at Carlsbad High School! We completed a pretty rough year on a high note and we are grateful for the return to State being in-person.</p> <p>We were thrilled to see Derek Yuill honored for his Service Above Self. And speaking of Derek, we thank him for organizing the 2nd Speech & Debate Day at Knott's Berry Farm last Tuesday. Over 200 high school students from nine schools from Areas 3 and 4 enjoyed fabulous rides, food and weather and watched State and National qualifying performances in the beautiful (and air-conditioned) Knott's Theater. Over twice the number of students attended than last year and we're hoping even more schools will participate next year.</p> <p>League News: TCFL: The tournament calendar is complete with hosts for every tournament. Brandon Batham from Burbank High School will take over from retiring coach, Jerome Robinson, as TCFL Co-President. Alex Mazanian will be the new head coach at Taft High School, taking the place of retiring coach, Doug Lasken. She and Chris Ryan from Arroyo Grande will serve the league as Co-Secretaries.</p> <p>SCDL: The league tournament calendar is set with host schools for every tournament. Derek Yuill will return to the Executive Committee of the League as Vice President. I will serve as Secretary of the League taking the place of Jessica Wilkerson who is leaving her position as head coach at San Gabriel High School. The League just welcomed Blair High School in Pasadena and welcomed back Paramount High School - both schools brought enthusiastic teams to Novice Champs, the last League tournament of the school year.</p> <p>WBFL: The League has not met yet to finalize their 23-24 calendar. The League looks forward to welcoming a new school, USC Hybrid. Harvard-Westlake is offering a summer Debate Camp offering sessions in Policy, Lincoln Douglas and World Schools Debate. Loyola HS is also offering summer courses in Policy and Lincoln Douglas Debate.</p>
Leilani	<p>We had a lovely time at Knott's Berry Farm and will be doing it again next year and hope more schools will join us. Lots of great showcasing of students.</p> <p>Shoutout to the League presidents who worked together on allocations. Thank you Jennifer for help on that.</p>

Area 4, Rosalyn Foster

WRITTEN REPORT	<p>Firstly, I want to thank Minnia and SVIDSL for a great State 2023! I was so happy to be back in person with all of you.</p> <p>I want to thank Erik, Minnia and Tony for being great presidents this year. I know there's going to be some turnover in OCSL and I look forward to introducing their new president in August.</p>
Rosalyn	Thank you Minnia for hosting, and my league presidents for your work.

COMMITTEE AND STANDING REPORTS

Editor/ Webmaster, Benjamin Cummings

Benjamin	We had a small issue where the website went down the night before the state tournament, but it has been fixed obviously. The website is always evolving. Please send me any fixes that need to be made.
Angelique	We also are planning to start sending regular email updates.

Historian, Gregg Osborn

Gregg	<p>I have been working on some Hall of Fame videos and got some done at the state tournament.</p> <p>I will be working with Ben to make sure all of the dates are correct on all paperwork.</p> <p>Be thinking in your leagues about who is in the Hall of fame. We want to see representation from across the state. It can be a past or present coach.</p> <p>We have one carryover from this year.</p> <p>Some not so great news, Myrna Goodwi was a longtime coach at Mount Miguel High School. Her husband passed away this week. Our condolences go out to her.</p>
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Public Relations, Mikendra McCoy

WRITTEN REPORT	<p>Howdy Friends!</p> <p>What a year it has been ... if you are in the countdown to the end of the school year, then you are not alone!</p> <p>There are a lot of things to process with</p>
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	<p>Public Relations, although in full confession we have not had a meeting prior to this meeting due to the fact that I have not had a moment (literally typing this in the staff meeting I am supposed to be paying attention to! Hee hee ... ahhhh ... multitasking!) but that does not mean that there are not plans in the works!</p> <p>Coaches Corners are still going to happen: tentative dates are as follows: September: 27th October 18th November 15th December 13th January 17th February 21st March 13th April None May 8th</p> <p>While there are still things in the works, (Alumni Connections, etc.) the kinks still need to be worked out, so there is more to come ...</p>
Mikendra	<p>Thank you to everyone who has made the coaches' corners amazing.</p> <p>Movement of these will be from mentorship into discussion opportunities. They will be recorded and posted on the webpage.</p> <p>We will be meeting to discuss upcoming projects.</p>

Debate, Steve Clemmons & Lexy Green

WRITTEN REPORT	<p>The Debate Committee has not met but has received multiple proposals to be voted on at the fall meeting. These revisions include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A proposal to allow internet use in debate events (not including Parli). 2. A (not yet fully worded or formatted) proposal to change the rule regarding "tag team" cross examination in Policy debate. 3. A proposal (still in the works) to clarify pairing priorities in preliminary and elimination rounds at the State tournament. The goals of this proposal will be to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Prioritize giving entries 2 debates on each side in preliminary rounds (important now that we have 4 prelims), B. Clarify ambiguities in the
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	<p>pairing priorities for preliminary and elimination rounds.</p> <p>We plan to meet over the summer in order to get these proposals in their final form.</p>
Lexy	<p>We will be meeting soon. Several proposals will be coming to the August meeting. We want uniformity with NSDA. We need to clean up the rules so there is clarity on how every part interacts. Items will be published prior to the August meeting.</p>

Speech, Jennifer Nguyen

WRITTEN REPORT	<p>IE Committee is working on a few rule/regulation changes:</p> <p>IE Committee May 2023</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Info timing: Remove set up and take down from the limit - Xavier <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Link here: Informative Speaking Timing... 2. Overtime Violation: standardize grace period - Xavier <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Link: Speech Grade Period Standar... 3. Overtime Violation: cannot get first in the round - Xavier <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Link: Speech Overtime Violations ... 4. Article 8: Change OI to Declamation (Housekeeping) - Jennifer 5. Size of Timers: Limits size of Timer no larger than the average smart phone - Bobby 6. Time Signals: Change to if the round is paneled then at least 1 judge on the panel must give time signals - Bobby 7. AI: mirror NSDA lang? Overall Speech Rule - Bobby <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Generative Artificial Intelligence: At the 2023 National Tournament, generative artificial intelligence should not be cited as a source; while something like ChatGPT may be used to guide students to
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	<p>articles, ideas, and sources, the original source of any quoted or paraphrased evidence must be available if requested. Students are prohibited from quoting or paraphrasing text directly from generative AI sources like ChatGPT in events in which speeches must be the original created work of a competitor.</p>
Jennifer	There are seven proposals coming for the August meeting.

Congress, Dave Matley

WRITTEN REPORT	<p>Congress Committee has taken recommendations from the State Tournament to propose by-law revisions to be voted on in the Fall. These revisions include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Basic housekeeping for consistency of wording. 2. Eliminating composite scoring similar to what IE did this year. 3. Adjusting weighting of scoring in response to counting all scores. 4. Advancing top 5 from each chamber as more appropriate for congress 5. Establishing Direct CX for all rounds, not just semis and finals. <p>You can access Congress By-Law Revisions here.</p>
David	Thank you to congress tab staff from the state tournament. Everything went so smoothly. These proposals were written during the tournament as issues came up.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT FOR NEXT YEAR

Discussion on election

Angelique	On our agenda I neglected to include that we must vote for our officers for next year. Do I have a motion to amend the agenda?
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Rosalyn	I move to add a white ballot vote for officers to the agenda.
Jennifer	I second
Vote:	26 Yea - 0 Nay - 0 Abstentions

Elect 2023-24 Officers

Vote	26 Yea - 0 Nay - 0 Abstentions
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Candidate Statement from McCoy ([view here](#))

WRITTEN STATEMENT	<p>My passion for education in this activity was found over 30 years ago. In the decades since I competed I have been honored to be called coach, Area 2 Chair, and Service Above Self and Hall of Fame inductee; while these recognitions are meaningful to me, my goal has never been the title or the trophy, it has always been about students. Admittedly, the adventure of learning, the opportunity to support our coaches and the ability to cultivate change has kept me invested in the activity!</p> <p>Throughout my time as a veteran coach and educator, the learning has never stopped; speech and debate being a fundamental conduit for said growth. Recognizing that words matter, and are powerful, has shaped how I learn, live and lead. I've done my best to model intentionality, positivity, respect, and grace; as well as have the wherewithal to make tough, but necessary, decisions. That said, because I still believe in doing what is best for our students, our coaches, and this organization, now, more than ever, the best way to serve, is to run for Board President. It is not about politics, it is about passion."</p> <p>Attached here is my picture, and yes, it is the same one from the last decade, one could argue that I am timeless, one could also argue that I take horrible pictures; the reality is that they are not mutually exclusive!</p> <p>Thank you for the opportunity to run for this position, while I do hope for your vote, I do not, nor will not, take this possibility for granted.</p> <p>Sincerely,</p> <p>Mikendra "The Real" McCoy</p>
Vote for President	26 Mikendra McCoy - 0 Nay Vote - 0 Abstentions

OLD BUSINESS

0822-12: Increase CHSSA Dues ([view here](#))

Jennifer	Motion to open debate on 0822-12
Sarah	I second.
Vote	26 Yea - 0 Nay - 0 Abstentions
Angelique	<p>This is a proposal to increase CHSSA Dues. It was tabled last meeting, and we need to vote now.</p> <p>If this does not pass then Jennifer will need to manually refund \$50 to every school who went to the state tournament.</p> <p>Are there any speakers in favor?</p>
Jennifer	Jennifer approves and cites that costs are going up and we are going back to an in person meeting which increases costs.
Sarah	Sarah spoke in favor of the dues increase and noted that teams didn't have to worry about rollovers being incorrect last year, and that prices are going up for costs of running our business.
Angelique	Angelique noted that CHSSA dues haven't been raised in 20 years.
Benjamin	I would like to call the previous question
Minnia	Second
Vote on calling previous question	25 Yea - 0 Nay - 0 Abstentions
Vote on 0822-12: Increase CHSSA Dues	23 Yea - 1 Nay - 1 Abstentions

NEW BUSINESS

- None/ reminder of extended legislative window

Angelique	We have extended our legislative submission window to July 31st. Everyone who will be on the board next year will then be sent the packet. This will allow them to take it to their leagues to talk about. We have no new business, so things will be discussed during the good of the order that will be part of this legislative meeting.
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GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Informal introduction of legislation to be proposed over summer for Fall.
Maximum 5 minute discussion time per item (including questions from board)

Angelique	<p>We will be limiting discussion on all items to five minutes.</p> <p>Two quick things:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. We are going to need to have a special
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	<p>election in Area 2 for a chair since the chair is now the president. We will open a one month nomination window for Area 2 chair. Any coach in Area 2 may run for Area 2 chair. A ballot will then be sent to all member schools in Area 2. We want this done by July 31st so they can join us at the August Meeting.</p> <p>2. The executive officers received a written apology from Karson Kalashian expressing his apologies for behavior over the last few years. We appreciate the apology, and will be welcoming Karson back as SVFL president to the board.</p> <p>As far as legislative discussion, I have some but would like to open the floor.</p>
Dave	<p>First item is housekeeping revisions. Not much controversy. We would like to eliminate the seventh alternate piece from the rules. If we need to come up with the seventh alternate we will deal with it as it becomes necessary. The rest of the legislation is dealing with matching our current practices.</p> <p>Our next item is to establish cross examination in all rounds of congress. This would establish direct cross and clarify how cross examination works in the rules. Our rules need clear directions of how cross works for all rounds. The two minutes of cross examination will be changed to after first affirmative and after first negative. This matches most other congress organizations.</p> <p>The next item eliminates composite scoring in congress similar to what we passed for IE events. This makes all scores count.</p> <p>The next item has to do with how we weight scores. We don't want to overly weigh prelim rounds in final scores. This proposal will adjust the weighting of scores in all rounds. The worst rank and best rank in prelim rounds will be dropped, and every rank in semi and final rounds will be multiplied by 2. This maintains the current weighting we have if we eliminate composite scoring.</p>
Benjamin	Do these need to be voted on together?
David	<p>I think it would be best for those two to be voted on as a package with composite scoring and the weighting.</p> <p>The next item is to advance the top 5 from each chamber. This aligns with other organizations, and prevents one chamber from being a majority. This also moves us away from the old CHSSA model.</p>
Minnia	I can see this being a challenge in leagues when we adopt CHSSA rules. We may need to balance top students across chambers so top students aren't all hitting each other.
Dave	I don't see this being a challenge as few schools would have more than six students.

	In leagues if there are more students than chambers then the schools may be able to seed students into chambers so that top kids do not end up in the same chamber.
Angelique	Just a reminder that leagues can adopt their own rules for qualifiers.
David	That is all for congress.
Angelique	<p>I will do my two now.</p> <p>First one is rollovers. Our rules outline what happens with rollovers when a league can't fill their spots in an area, but we need rules for what happens when an Area can't fill its spots. There needs to be a system for how those spots are filled. We mirrored what happens within an area, but adapted it to the whole state.</p> <p>This system was imperfect because it impacts bonuses and allocations. We need to codify something that will prevent this from altering bonuses and allocations and sweepstakes. I am concerned about us having a clear procedure.</p> <p>My second item is related to double entry. Double entry is a problem. We have many problems each year where double entry causes issues. On Saturday this year, and Sunday this year we were behind. The reason we have to do 1 for 3 judges was because double entry required it. I am not advocating for removal of double entry entirely, but every workaround is extremely complicated. There are options where only some events could double enter, but it is very complicated. In terms of simplicity, I think we can eliminate it. If you have ideas or thoughts on solutions please reach out to me.</p>
Lexy	If we do allow double entry there has to be a reason why we allow those events, and not our schedule. Our schedule was why we allowed double entry. It is an opportunity for some and not for others. Either all events double enter, or none have double entry.
Angelique	NSDA also does not allow double entry. Scaling up events like this makes it a challenge.
Artem	This question has come up before. I voted to keep it before because I find it valuable. Last month, after running the state tournament with Angel, I will vote to get rid of double entry.
Angelique	I plan to write some options for us to explore as a board.
Sarah	I think this needs to be changed for consistency year to year.
Angelique	Thank you, there is time for that. Jennifer.
Jennifer	First, are there any questions on the IE committee items.

	<p>Second, I am working on a couple items related to the treasurer. An allocation form should be uploaded to our Google form for everyone to see. That will be changed from emails.</p> <p>Third, I think we wrote that the checks will be coming to the treasurer instead of area chairs. We will codify that.</p>
Artem	<p>This legislation I am proposing is along with the area chairs and some other directors. The four main objectives are to bring our rules and regulations in line with our corporate by-laws.</p> <p>There are currently some discrepancies. For example, the rules and regulations call us the CSSC while the By-laws call us a board of directors.</p> <p>Our second goal is to align jobs with their current practices.</p> <p>Our third goal is to build checks and balances into the rules and regulations. We need formal structures.</p> <p>Our fourth goal is to make sure that we are more gender neutral, and cleaning up our rules and regulations.</p> <p>There is a draft that has been sent out. If you have any questions, or needs please reach out to the area chairs over summer.</p>
Jennifer	<p>I would like for us to break this up because there are a lot of parts that will change. Can we break it up and pass them separately?</p>
Artem	<p>I will reach out to co-sponsors as to how we will break this up and present it to the board.</p>
Sarah	<p>I read this item and I think everyone should take a close look at the changes being made. I think some things are pretty big changes in how our board works.</p> <p>Some big items like how we elect area chairs, elimination of bulletin, and other items need to be voted on independently. I think we all need to look at this closely.</p> <p>This is not some quick fixes and cleanup.</p>
Angelique	<p>We have reached our time limit on that item. Lots of good feedback about breaking it up and being able to discuss smaller parts.</p> <p>Leilani.</p>
Leilani	<p>I submitted legislation to change the hall of fame election process. I would like to propose that we eliminate the need for the nominee to agree to being nominated. This would make coaches not be required to write their own hall of fame ballot write up. I would also like to extend our due date since nominations are now allowed via email. Many leagues don't meet prior to the November deadline, so this</p>

	gives leagues a chance to have conversations about who should be nominated.
Gregg	I want to chime in and say I agree with Leilani. There is no need for the earlier date that is currently in the rules and regulations. Giving leagues more time is a fantastic idea.
Angelique	Thank you, Leilani. Lexy, you had some items you wanted to discuss.
Lexy	I went over the items during the committee report. At this time I want to open those up to questions.
Angelique	For clarity those three are allowing internet use, adjusting pairing priorities, and to allow tag team cross examination. A lot of these items popped up when we switched to Tabroom and parity in debate, and how we break out of prelim rounds.
Gabriela	Can you speak more to why you would like tag team cross examination. As a judge I do not like it.
Lexy	It is not my legislation, but it seems like the sponsor is asking that tag team cross examination be discouraged, but not disqualifying as it currently is. As a debate coach I think it is endemic. It is hard for kids to be able to do it in one circumstance, but not in another. I personally do not feel strongly about this item.
Angelique	We had several issues about this at state. One team had their team negatively impacted by this rule. This is a circuit norm, not a lay norm. It doesn't mean it's a good or a bad thing. It is happening, so we need to clarify one way or the other. The NSDA does say it is discouraged, but discouraged does mean it is allowed.
Lexy	We will be working on these over summer so feel free to get a hold of us over summer.
Angelique	There are no more legislative items to discuss. The next meeting will be held in-person in Bakersfield, California which is in SVFL where our next state tournament will be held. This will be our only in-person meeting. We want to use this as dedicated time to work. Covid made it hard to do a lot of work. This meeting will allow us to do work. Our goal is to break up the meeting over two separate days so we can get things finished. This will be two full days of working. You do get to pick which committee you are on. We want equitable area distribution on our committees. If you have strong feelings about

	<p>one committee, please speak with our President, Mikendra, who can help to guide you to committees.</p> <p>By July 31 please let us know who your curriculum reps, at-large reps, league presidents are, etc.</p> <p>Thank you everyone for your help, and for coming to this meeting.</p>
Aaron	<p>This has not only been the best meeting, but it seems to me there is a fantastic collegial spirit. I hope we continue to carry this on. Thank you Angelique for leading this meeting.</p>
Leilani	<p>Quick question, should we plan to spend Friday night in Bakersfield?</p>
Angelique	<p>I would encourage everyone to so that you don't have to leave at 6:00 am to meet.</p> <p>I will try to provide a list of restaurants and things to do in Bakersfield.</p> <p>We will also be finishing early enough to have dinner on the drive home.</p>
Artem	<p>Since none of us will be covering our own travel costs, I do think there are valuable things the leagues can spend money on beyond our hotels. I hope that the meeting schedule is built so that if some of the closer people are able to come on Saturday they will still be able to come to the meeting.</p>
Angelique	<p>Saturday will start at 9:00 am.</p>
Minnia	<p>This is our first in-person meeting in a long time. It is very important for everyone to be there for committee meetings. This is where we get a lot of work done.</p>
Angelique	<p>Yes, the goal is for there to be a lot of work finished at these meetings from committees.</p> <p>There is a lot of legislation coming through because we haven't had a lot of time to do these big dives into the rules and regulations in the last few years.</p> <p>Any other thoughts?</p>
Leilani	<p>I motion to adjourn</p>
Lexy	<p>Second</p>
Vote	<p>25 Yea - 0 Nay - 0 Abstentions</p>