

Northern California Forensics Association
Spring 2013 Business Meeting
Modesto Junior College
February 9, 2013

In attendance:

Nathan Steele - President	City College of San Francisco
Marina Whitchurch - Vice President	Santa Rosa Junior College
Kristina Whalen - Treasurer	City College of San Francisco
Tina Lim	San Jose State University
Stephanie Anderson	San Jose State University
Nicole Sandoval	Ohlone College
Jared Anderson	Los Rios College
Jason Ames	Chabot College
Phil Sharp	University of Nevada, Reno
Kathleen Bruce	Delta Community College
Stephen Ban	Butte Community College
Ryan Guy	Cal State Chico
Patrick Moe	Diablo Valley College
Marlin Bates	University of Pacific
Tony Bernacchi	Diablo Valley College
Angela Gregory	Chabot College
Suzanne Ruckle	Yuba College
Hal Sanford	Santa Rosa Junior College
Marie Arcidiacono	Contra Costa Community College
Tim Elizondo	Columbia College
Theresa Perry	Cal State Chico
Kasey Gardner	Los Medanos College
Alexis Litzky	San Francisco State Univ.
Chaz Kelley	Cal State Chico
Jim Dobson	Las Positas College
Tim Heisler	Las Positas College
Kristin Tudor (arrived late)	Sacramento State

Nathan calls the meeting to order at 6:45pm.

Nathan reminds the body about the emailed minutes of our last business meeting and if there are any corrections?

Marlin moves to approve the minutes.

Minutes approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report - Kristina Whalen

Our current balance is \$6065.

We do have some bills to pay after this tournament so that balance will dip.

Kristina was able to move the account from Wells Fargo to Chase which eliminates added/extra fees.

action items

Body needs to elect a president.

Call for nominations

Kristina Whalen nominates Alexis Litzky.

She accepts.

Theresa Perry nominates Stephen Ban.

He accepts.

Patrick Moe wants the nominees to express their interest through interpretive dance.

Stephen thinks it would be great for Butte and the northern side of our forensics family.

Alexis was hoping to be treasurer but thinks NCFA is an interesting organization that has interesting potential and wants to see where the next interesting chapter takes us.

Voting ensues - Marlin expertly rips to shreds my notepad as 'ballots'. This reminds Marina to create a generic ballot for future voting needs.

Stephen Ban wins the nomination. Congratulations!!

Nathan moves us on to the next action item:

2014 bid to host NCFA.

Kathleen Bruce at Delta puts her hat in the ring!

Theresa has a question of the date

*discussion of schedule ensues - conflicts dictate the 2nd weekend of february
feb 7-9 or 14-16*

concern about the berkeley tournament conflicting and killing policy

talk hawk will be feb 1st

several dates of existing tournaments being discussed

jason expresses that there is not a perfect solution

which will folks be less likely to go to - can we make choices?

*todd guy expresses that kat - the only bid - should make the decision based on
what she can get at the campus*

*pros and cons of dates are being discussed by several members of the
community*

*phil sharp offers a solution of districts to move dates so we can have that
weekend*

marlin and angela discuss that possibility - angela would explore that possibility

*jason makes a motion that we ask the D1 chair to move districts to move to
march 7-9 so that ncfa can have feb 28-mar 2*

Nathan tables discussion for Angela and Kathleen to find out what can be done and what dates work the best and everyone will get back to Nathan with information and we will vote online.

Nathan moves us on to the next item:

Bid to host 2013 NCFA Coach's Conference.

Jared expresses that Los Rios would like to host.

Sue Peterson puts in a bid via Theresa for Chico to host

Phil Sharp puts in a bid to host in Reno.

Voting ensues and Los Rios wins the bid.

Nathan moves us on to the next item:

Bid to host 2013 NCFA debate camp.

Kasey wants to know some info - who wants to come, one or two days, leading a lab, dates of camp (one week earlier than it was), food

Kasey agrees, with the support of the community, to continue to host the NCFA debate camp.

Nathan moves us on to the next item:

Bylaw & Constitution changes

Jim Dobson - collapsing divisions for individual events

Kristina calls to question.

The body passes unanimously.

discussion items

alternative tournament schedule

up to tournament director to create the schedule

Kasey brings up the 2 elim vs. 3 elim for Parli to go to two days

Phil discusses the travel issues and possibly a version of the schedule that would get people home earlier in mini-vans...word.

Kasey discusses PSCFA's schedule of NFA on Friday, Parli on Saturday and IE's on Sunday.

Stephen is asked to weigh in.

Patrick asks if the newly elected president come to coach's conference with a proposed schedule and asks to table discussion until then.

Body agrees.

nominations for division/seminar leaders for the 2013 Coach's Conference

Theresa Perry would like a co-captain for policy

Jason Ames will lead NFA with Ryan Guy

Kasey Gardner will take Parli

Nathan will take oral interp

Chaz Kelley will take platform
Tim Elizondo will take limited prep

spring fling tab room volunteers

Patrick nominates Marie from Contra Costa
Tim Elizondo offers to co-direct with Marie
Alexis suggests Lindsey Ayotte (SFSU grad student) to join the tab staff
Theresa Perry thinks we should have an experienced individual at the helm to make decisions and guide the new tab staff.
Kasey offers his mentorship.
Nathan will forward the invitation from past years and coordinate with above people.
Ohlone is confirmed as the host.
Jason Ames reminds the body that Spring Fling will offer NFA.

announcements/discussion items:

Nathan asks us to consider who might be willing to host the 2016 CCCFA.

Permitting internet access during extemp prep - Ryan Guy

Discussion ensues with questions and comments about the NCFA bylaws and national governing organizations. There is some conflict between AFA-NIET and Phi Rho Pi.

Nathan says it is the tournament director discretion though the topic should be tabled to coach's conference.

Judging commitment and Novice Only Judges - Theresa Perry

Theresa discusses the judging commitment for novice only judges from a policy perspective

Jared discusses the down side of that for his program
discussion ensues

Patrick speaks from judges table perspective - novice judges useless after they judge one round of Nov Impromptu and then done because of collapsing

Marina will lead a judges seminar at coach's conference

Nathan talk briefly about hosting high school tourneys - exposure, hosting only, make \$\$, talk to Nathan for more information

NCFA Annual Award nominations due by Friday, April 19th - vote online,
students and coaches can vote

Nathan asks if there is any other business:

Hal Sanford - does body want the srjc tournament and is there one date better than the other? It seems that the first of second weekend of October will continue to work. No comments from the body.

It is announced that Berkeley will not conflict with the Golden Gate Opener weekend.

THANK YOU NATHAN FOR YOUR OUTSTANDING WORK AS OUR PRESIDENT!

Nathan calls the meeting to a close at 7:47pm.