

Executive Board Meeting
North Carolina Junior Classical League
May 15, 2010
8:30 am, East Forsyth HS

Board Members:

Present- Harris Stevens, Shannon Coy, Kris Madden, Katelyn Mullins, Jillian Hancin, Anna Schoeck, Brent McKnight, Mrs. Caroline Kelly, Mrs. Sherri Madden

Absent- Sam Dehority

Others Present- Caitlin Amos, Melissa Mainhart, Luke Miller, Mrs. Jennie Buckner, Mrs. Anne Cober

Motion was passed to make a quorum be 2/3 of the members.

Quorum Present? Yes

Financial Report-

Mrs. Madden presented treasurer's report.

Starting balance: \$11,334.38

Ending Balance: \$19,392.69

Still owe Wake Forest \$3,867.50+\$300.00 for extra clean up fee – Benson Ctr. mess

By mid-June possible balance of \$23,966.19

Officer Reports-

Harris Stevens- hopes to help officers in duties, and increase participation in JCL.

Shannon Coy- increase communication with other schools.

Kris Madden- follow order of business keeping order at the meetings, help out with elections at state convention.

Katelyn Mullins- take minutes, send out to EB within three days for revision, send out to teachers and webmaster within two weeks.

Jillian Hancin- hopes to obtain another proclamation, more local proclamations.

Brent McKnight- make website better.

Anna Schoeck- going to Nationals to learn from scrapbooks, thinking of themes

Sam Dehority(absent) –hopes for a quarterly *Torch*, next edition will highlight state convention, send pictures and other memorabilia from state to samm547@gmail.com.

National Convention Planning-

Motion passed that Caitlin Amos' packet of \$250 be paid for as she was not able to go last year-was appointed after National Convention and did not have opportunity.

It was confirmed that top test scorers would receive one \$200 stipend toward the national convention even if winning this award in multiple tests.

Spirit Themes-

Wednesday- NJCL Convention 2010: A Space Odyssey- Katelyn and Sam

Thursday- JCL on the Frontier: Junior Camping league- Brent and Shannon

Friday- Fargo: Bleeding Purple and Gold- Jillian and Harris
Saturday- A day in old Rome: Ad Infinitum et Ultra- Kris and Anna

Make light and small, but visible props so not too much money will be spent on transportation. Mailing possible if necessary- Harris will send info ASAP.

T-Shirt-

Motion passed that there be t-shirts for each day (total 3 as Sat. is Roman attire) so as to match at the cost of \$10 or \$12 depending on design.

Deadline for design by mid- June

Spirit fee- \$50 to cover the t-shirts and spirit props

Officers- don't spend more than \$14 per person as T-shirts are \$12

Some past props are available.

Motion passed that chaperones' packet and transportation be paid in full.

State Chairs and Co-ordinators of Special Events-

Motion passed that sponsors and people serving as coordinators or state chairs get only one vote regardless of how many students they have on the EB, and officers sharing an office also share a vote, *pro tem*, until constitution is available.

New system this year- per Christine Conklin, National Committee Chair, who suggested we have one state chair or co-state chairs. Anne Glenn, Latin teacher at Paisley IB was nominated as a state chair. Motion made and passed.

Coordinators of Special Events-

Motion made and passed for co-ordinators for Fall Forum, Certamen and State Convention to be JR Naylor, Anne Glenn and Sherri Madden, respectively. These special event co-ordinators will have a vote on the Executive Board and be expected to attend EB meetings.

Treasurer-

Anne Cober whose husband is a CPA and who has access to financial software volunteered to become the new treasurer upon Interim Treasurer Sherri Madden's end of term after the national convention. Motion made and passed.

Mrs. Madden suggested we add new student office of Treasurer to assist Mrs. Cober.

Harris suggested we make list of restrictions on Treasurer.

Motion passed that we have a student treasurer who would be the choice of the sponsor Treasurer. Student treasurer would not handle money, but would take care of correspondence, write receipts and secure charity funds. Both the sponsor treasurer and student treasurer will be voting members of the Executive Board.

Reports from Special Events Co-ordinators-

Fall Forum-

Tentative date of November 20, 2010 at UNCG – will be announced after August when notified by UNCG. JR would like volunteers for Silly Olympika, question writing, etc. and

would like to do add some interesting seminars, such as archaeology, ancient coins, or Latin pronunciation in addition to the standard informative workshops done by officers.

A list of suggestions for improving next year was sent by last year's Fall Forum Co-ordinator, Melissa Feimster and forwarded to JR Naylor.

Fix technology problems. Brent can help with this.

Also, auditorium was too small and against fire code. Trying for larger auditorium, but UNCG gets first priority. Possibly a cut off for number in auditorium. At very least we could meet outside.

State Convention-

Main problem was too high of a cost and no lunch provided.

Everyone liked the procession.

Location should be Wake Forrest- 50% discount as we are a non-profit organization, working to get costs minimized.

April 8-9(first choice) or April 1-2 (second choice) only available dates for this year's convention. Waiting to hear back from WFU on when their Admissions Day is which would limit our use of buildings on Friday night.

Discussion on starting convention at an earlier time was brought up, but Anne Cober mentioned public schools being very strict about letting students out early and Jennie Buckner confirmed that the #1 concern was too many field trips. Plus to miss a whole day the month before AP exams would not be too favorable.

Several amendments needed for handbook - save for Fall meeting, unfinished business.

Certamen-

Anne Glenn will be assisted this summer by Jessica McCormack in developing a common vocabulary list and guidelines for each level of Certamen. Perhaps a survey of what curricula is used by each school would be helpful although Mrs. Kelly reminded us that Certamen questions are not curriculum-based.

Mrs. Cober suggested we split Advanced Certamen because of big difference between Level III and AP Latin. Luke said there's not a difference because most have practiced a lot and usually one person makes the team. It was proposed to have a trial run of this at Fall Forum. Send out an email to see whether there is an interest for separating the Advanced Division and adding a Middle School Division.

Tentative date for the 2011 Certamen at Wake Forest will be March 5, 2011.

Membership Fees 2010-2011-

Motion passed that annual membership fees be \$3 per student rather than \$5.

Motion passed that \$10 chapter fee be waived, if registration is postmarked by October 8th with regular registration being due on November 1st.

Motion made and passed that schools could pay both the state and national JCL dues at once with the NC treasurer sending on the national dues to the national office.

Since Mrs. Madden put a lot of work into straightening out and reconciling the state and national membership lists and has a working list of prospective schools and such, she asked to continue as membership co-ordinator. Motion made and passed.

Dates and Locations of Future Executive Board Meetings -

October 2, 2010 – Ragsdale High School: Fall Forum planning

January 8, 2011 – Charlotte, probably Providence: Certamen, State Convention and
Election planning

February 5, 2011 - East Forsyth: Certamen and State Convention planning

Mountain Officer Retreat-

Work on constitution and map out the year.

July 6-8 should work for most.

Motion made and passed to pay \$300 for JCL retreat at mountain home.

Constitution-

Compilation of original Guilford County constitution, the national constitution, the NC interim constitution as well as other states (we already have GA and have requested IN and VA) as a starting point. Goal is to have a working constitution presented to chapters for ratification by the beginning of the 2010-2011 school year.

Middle School Representation -

Mrs. Buckner is concerned that middle schools are not represented enough.

Motion passed that we ask Caldwell Academy, which is opening a HS next year, to send a representative to Executive Board to represent middle schoolers with the hopes of this student being groomed for future service as a high schooler. Starting at the 2011 state convention, the middle school representative will be an elected office.

Increasing Awareness and Membership Next Year-

A main concern for all board members. Explanation of publicity packet sent to NLE schools who are not members of NCJCL and acquiring state lists of Latin teachers. Mrs. Kelly voiced her opinion that these things are all good and plant a seed, but personal contact is what really works best.

NCJCL Newsletter-

Brent McKnight suggested writing out highlights of our meeting to be added to the website in newsletter format. Mrs. Madden confirmed that an e-mail highlighting the important details will be sent out and that she would forward that to Brent for the website.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 am.

Minutes submitted by NCJCL Secretary, Katelyn Mullins