

Minutes – January 30, 2021

I. Angela called the Zoom meeting to order at 6:06 PM. Quorum was established.

II. Minutes from the Fall meeting were not approved as Chris Dachniwsky was not in attendance.

III. Budget and Financial report had no changes since last meeting per Mike Story. Mike requested we determine Tax Free Days (revisited with pin pickup discussion and March 5-6, 2021 was selected)

IV. Committees listed below were named/confirmed/or confirmation pending:

Nominating Committee (3): Suzanne Rieter; Mike Moore(pending); Chris Dachniwsky (pending)

Budget Committee (5): Mike Story; Lilian Wannall; Judy Moore (per Jack); Adam Tutt (pending); Tom Scott (pending); Karen Benson (pending)

Audit Committee: Meg Bevilacqua; Jack Moore; Katie Dachniwsky (pending); Amanda Coots (pending)

Standing Rules Committee: Angela Richard; Teri Reist (Central); Suzanne Rieter (North); Lilian Wannall (HARO); Chris Dachniwsky (pending)

World Finals Committee; Lilian Wannell; Steve Reist

V. Pins and Tee Shirts – Laura Clark not in attendance

Old Pins will be selling on line soon

Tee shirt design is being worked on.

VI. Region Showcases

Central has no teams so this is a no issue.

North teams want but there are issues with a venue (don't have) and judges not feeling safe.

Most states are not having Regionals.

A Spontaneous Day is not really needed per Mike Story. The problems will all be verbal. The issues are more with about how the team has to enter their responses. CCI will have a way for teams to practice this.

Next two bullets were out of order from the agenda

Combining with other states was discussed. There was no consensus to do.

Combining problems was discussed. With current number it would be easy to combine Prob 1 (2 teams) with Prob 4 (5 teams). Other problems are: Prob 2 (10 teams); Prob 3 (7 teams); Prob 5 (7 teams); and Prob 6 (4 teams)

VII. Training

Steve stated Virtual Training Prep is vastly improved over last year's World Finals.

For those who judged last year, there are new "Sticky Notes".

Everyone needs to use Discord.

Steve can train all with Amanda's assistance.

All Judges will need Windows 10 or Apple's latest OS.

All Judges will input their own scores this time around.

ALL PC's need to complete their problem training.

Jeff will also be running a Technical Training for all PC's. Steve will set this up with Jeff.

Lilian asked to be added to this PC training as well.

There was a question about training for Prob 6 the was not able to be clarified at this meeting.

Tournament jobs will be: Head Judge – (could also serve as a problem judge); Long Term; Style: Tech Lead (Amanda?); PRO (Lilian volunteered to do this for all problems); Spontaneous;

One person on each judging team can also serve as the tech person for their problem.

Head Judge will also serve as SPC.

VIII. State Tournament Planning

Numbers per problem are: Prob 1 – (2); Prob 2 – (10); Prob 3 – (7); Prob 4 – (5); Prob 5 – (7); Prob 6 – (4)

Each PC should submit who they would like on their judging team – (I did not record if there was a deadline for this submission)

Balsa structures will be shipped by the teams to CCI. CCI will weigh, "crush", and record the information in the scoring program.

If the PRO finds that a team's video is **obviously** edited, the PRO will contact the team to have them correct this and resubmit another video that meets the requirements. Judging of an obviously edited video will **not** take place.

Submission of videos has been moved to March 20th. Lois will get up with Walter to obtain a date for structures to be sent/received at CCI.

Scholarships will still be awarded this year. The amount budgeted was \$2,500 for the year 2021. The deadline is to be determined. The Scholarship Committee will be: Mason Story, Vera Hammond, and Sam (pending).

State Problem Captains are:

Eric Richard and Jony Hammond
Jack Moore and Katie Dachniwsky
Addison Story, Meg Bevilacqua, and Teri Reist
Michael Chiles, Lois Cromwell, and Adam Tutt
Mason Story, Robert Reiter, Diane Alcebo
Spontaneous Mike Story
Scoreroom Amanda Coots

IX. World Finals

If a team participates in the Texas OotM tournament, they will be able to participate in World Finals.

Expectations are that all Virtual Teams will advance to World Finals.

World Finals for Classic Memberships could go into June – Sammy/CCI working on this

If you received a survey about where you would like WF to take place, please complete it ASAP.

X. Other Business

As teams pay their fees, Lilian will advance all teams to States.

Each advanced team will be asked to submit a Team Photo (for use at awards ceremony, as needed).

Medals and Trophies need to be ordered. Lilian will ask Gaby to take this on and get quotes for purchasing them for one year vs three years.

Laura will need to be asked if shirts will be able to be here in time for Tax Free Days delivery.

March 1st teams can start posting their problem solutions. They must be posted by March 20th.

ALL Judges need to register.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM. Moved by Suzanne and seconded by Meg.

A Working Meeting will be scheduled in 2 weeks.

PC's need to hand pick their judging Teams and submit to Angela/Steve by a date to be determined.

Submitted by Lois Cromwell, Volunteer Notes Taker