

To: Members of PSCFA
From: Jim Wyman

Re: Minutes of Fall Coaches Meeting, September 9, 2001

I. Introductions

The 2001 Fall Coaches Meeting was held at the Marriott - Residence Inn in Palm Desert. PSCFA President Liesel Reinhart called the meeting to order. Introductions were made.

II. The Tournament Schedule for the 2001-02 year was discussed(copy attached)

III. Announcements

- The Warm-Up brochure was made available
- PSCFA-L was discussed
- PSCFA web-site is now operational. It is currently located at:
www.moorparkcollege.net/pscfa/
- PSCFA Seminar was discussed

IV. The minutes for the Spring Coaches meeting were approved; the financial report was approved

V. Report from Friday's Roundtable (Liesel Reinhart)

a. Academics and Forensics - Suggestions:

- Conduct regular grade in progress checks of students a la athletics.
- Prepare a letter for students to give to instructors at the start of the semester with tournament dates when the student may be absent.
- Secure priority registration for students. <Check PSCFA web site in a few weeks for Ed Code justification>
- Give scholarships based on academic as well as forensic excellence.
- Build relationships with faculty at your school with programs like Forensics Fellows <ask Skip Rutledge>
- Attend fewer tournaments and/or shorten you team's season.

PROPOSAL: The PSCFA Speech and Debate Scholars Award

(Original motion to provide Awards to 6 recipients, as determined by a committee, was replaced with the following)

- a. PSCFA remains committed to the promotion of the academic excellence of our students.
- b. Students who have participated in at least three tournaments during the academic year prior to February 1, and who have a cumulative GPA of 3.75 or better are, eligible to be named to the PSCFA All-Conference Academic Team.
- c. The Director of Forensics of any PSCFA School shall provide a letter containing the names of eligible students by February 1. The letter shall list the three or more tournaments. The submission shall also include a copy of a transcript for each student verifying his or her GPA. The submission shall also contain a check for \$15(per student) payable to "PSCFA" for the cost of an award plaque.
- d. Awards will be presented at Spring Championships.
- e. The PSCFA President will send a letter of commendation to institution's President and school newspaper within 30 days

PASSED

- b. Judging Challenges and Solutions: Suggestions
- Increase the pool of judges through creative recruitment outside of traditional circles.
 - Encourage the use of the PSCFA web site to register available judges' names and contact info.
 - Create a committee to revise/recreate the PSCFA judging handbook by the end of this year.
 - Matt Taylor and Roxanne Tuscany will explore outreach possibilities for graduate school student judges, as well as other possibilities for recruitment.
 - Several people offered to look for on-line judge training programs on the web that could serve as templates for such a PSCFA program.
 - Judges table staff should be sure that judge names are printed legibly and all judges indicate their affiliation in a clear manner.
 - Judges' table staff should note which hired judges are guaranteed a flat rate salary and give priority to using these judges.
 - Longer term goals for the organization are to consider judge certification and evaluation.

PROPOSAL:

Dance cards

On a trial basis for this year and at the tournament director's discretion, "dance cards," or advance judging schedules, will be given out for PSCFA tournaments.

PASSED

VI. Tournament Management Committee

SUGGESTIONS:

- The Ombudsperson could assist in the check-in of ballots and in creating "dance cards" for judging.
- Changes in tournament rules and policies should be included in the tournament invitations.

PROPOSALS:

- 1) For Festival Finals: Handbook page 14, Item 3, b, 4 "In all open Individual Events finals"
CHANGE "In all open Individual Events finals" TO: "In all final rounds."
And
CHANGE ballots for final rounds to reflect the change in ranks for finals.

PASSED

- 2) Further tie-breaking procedure for Festival Finals: Handbook page 14, Item 3, b, 3
- a) Total ranks in all rounds
 - b) Rank in final round
 - c) Total ranks in prelims
 - d) The number of firsts in the event.

.PASSED

- 3) Add Handbook page 14, Item 3, b, 5
"Open Persuasion Finals at Spring Championships. If entries warrant that more than 7 students advance to finals, students will compete in a semifinal round during final rounds of pattern A. The final round of open persuasion will occur on Sunday at a time selected by the Tournament Director."

PASSED

- 4) Replace Handbook Page 20, Item b, 5 with:

Electronic retrieval of information is permitted in the prep room. Internet or online connections may not be active during preparation time and students must provide their own power source. The security of electronic devices is not the responsibility of PSCFA or the host school and will not be guaranteed.

PASSED

5) Handbook Page 20, Item b, 8

ADD item 8: "The use of notes is required during extemp speeches."

FAILED

6) Handbook Page 20, Item b, 2

ADD "Speeches or speech outlines in direct response to anticipated or previous extemp questions should not be resourced during prep time."

FAILED

VII. Individual Event Committee

1) Handbook page 2 Section b, 2: "Novice Individual Event."

ELIMINATE "who has not participated in forensics for more than two semesters and/or"
PASSED

2) Handbook Page 23 Item D, 2

STRIKE "—selections should not appear to be recited from memory."
PASSED

VIII. Budget & Handbook Committee

1) Amend VI, B(Tournament Director) as follows:

It is the duty of the tournament director to prepare and distribute the tournament invitation one month prior to the tournament. Mailing labels **and a copy of the standard invitation for that Tournament should be obtained** from the Executive Secretary.

(Bold area added and replaces "can be obtained")

PASSED

2) Amend VI, section 3 of the Constitution(The Executive Secretary):

12. Provide mailing labels and current Tournament invitation (along with a summary of changes for that year) to the Tournament Director.

(This sentence precedes current wording)

PASSED

3) Change II, C. (Nuisance fees):

1. Change/Drop fees

\$5.00 per individual event slot, \$10.00 per debate or Readers Theater entry for changes made after 12:00 P.M. on Friday, at the discretion of the Tournament Director. \$5.00 per individual event slot, \$10.00 per debate or Readers Theater entry for changes made between 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday and 12:00 P.M. on Friday if such changes are in excess of 10% of the original entry or 10 slots, whichever is greater, at the discretion of the Tournament Director.

2. Student No-Show fees

\$10 per individual event slot, \$20.00 per debate or Readers Theater entry. A no-show shall be defined as any competitor entered in the tournament who does not participate in the first round of competition in their event and whose absence is not reported to the tournament director before the end of the drop period

(usually the first half hour on each day of competition). Exceptions are at the discretion of the Ombudsperson if reasonable justification is demonstrated.

PASSED

4) Amend VI, section 3 of the Constitution (The Executive Secretary):

Add 18. Member schools may notify the Executive Secretary of a waiver of hard copy mailings if there is assurance of electronic notice.

PASSED

5) Amend II, B, 1 (Judging fees):

\$10.00 per uncovered individual event slot.

PASSED

6) Amend II, A, 1 (School fee):

School Fee	\$25.00	for 1-5 students
(As of Tuesday, 6 P.M.)	\$30.00	for 6-10 students
	\$35.00	11+ students

PASSED

IX. Debate Committee

1) Add to V, B, 6 (appropriate number) (page 18) the following:

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PASSED

2) Add to the end of Section IV, C, 2, b (page 15) the following

“Double Octofinalist – 1 pt.”

PASSED

3) Repeal the final sentence of V, B, 6, f (page 18) which reads:

“No person may be consulted except partner or Speaker of the House.”

FAILED

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II. The minutes for the Spring Coaches meeting were approved

III. Executive Board Reports

- Chris DeSurra discussed the Seminar to be held at Mt. Sac
- Jim Wyman presented the financial report – the organization is financially healthy
- Liesel Reinhart :
 - reported on the Roundtable discussions on Friday. The topics included team building, and support and compensation for those who coach. A request was made for people to fill out the compensation survey
 - Liesel asked that people fill out the Demo day on-line reviews

The Tournament Schedule for the 2001-02 year was discussed (copy attached)

III. Committee Reports

Budget & Handbook Committee – Jim Wyman, Chair

1) Amend VI, B (Tournament Host) as follows:

A school hosting the Fall Coaches Retreat will be reimbursed up to \$600 for expenses for facilities fees, and coaches' amenities. The Host School will coordinate all costs

Passed

2) Amend IV, section C., 1, a.(Sweepstakes at individual Tournaments):

Add "(4) Limited Entry" ..."The Limited Entry Award is for the 1/3 of the schools in attendance at the Fall or Spring tournament (plus ties) with the fewest entry slots (Debate and Theatre entries equal 2 slots). Determination of slot numbers to be counted as of Friday at 12:00."

Passed

3) Amend IV, section C., 1, a.(Sweepstakes at individual Tournaments):

The Limited Entry Award will not be mutually exclusive with any other Sweepstakes Award a school may win at that tournament.

Amended: to give 5 Sweepstakes Awards at Fall and Spring Champ Tournaments in the 2 year and 4 year categories

Passed

Passed

4) The creation of a position to oversee the PSCFA Website, appointed by the Executive Committee each year, and to receive a \$200 per year stipend.

Passed

Individual and Debate Committee – Chris DeSurra, Chair

1) Amend III, D, 2 a) and b): (Entry for Warm-Up and Cool-Off)

Add Cultural Artifact as an event to the Warm-Up and to the Cool-Off, but without scholarship money.

Passed

2) Add item j to V, C., 4: (Individual event rules)

The four PSCFA Tournaments will use the AFA event descriptions except where they conflict with PSCFA rules.

Passed

3) Change V, B., 5: (Rookie Division rules)

-Rescind sub-section d): PSCFA recommends against the limiting the topic for the rookie and novice division; rather, it is urged that there be open discussion of affirmative cases prior to any given tournament.

-Amend sub-section h): Rookie may only (replaces never) be collapsed into novice division (add) at the Warm-Up and Cool-Off tournaments passed

4) Limit the Policy Rookie topic to the Kyoto Treaty. Passed

5) For this year:

run the first two rounds of Parliamentary debate back to back (at the Fall Championship Tournament; and at the Spring Championship Tournament, at the discretion of the Tournament Director) following a group announcement of the topic and 45 minutes of prep time on a Policy topic so that all teams will debate both sides of the topic (except for those having a bye). Teams must check in with the Tournament Staff no later than 15 minutes into the prep time, or they will be dropped. Note: this does not change the rule which dictates that there shall be no coaching during prep time, nor that students may consult materials during the prep time. passed

Report Items – Liesel Reinhart

PSCFA will post standardized tournament schedules, student eligibility and event descriptions for each PSCFA tournament for year-round review. Tournament Directors and/or hosts will add to this a letter of invitation, parking information, directions, schedule adjustments, and other variable information in a timely manner prior to each tournament (submitted to web site manager.)

Results from PSCFA Tournaments will be posted on the web site for all PSCFA tournaments. Tournament Directors should forward Excel files to web site manager in a timely manner for posting.

The web site manager will activate links from the PSCFA calendar to web-based tournament invitations, and/or will post non-PSCFA tournament invitations if submitted electronically (as a courtesy to PSCFA member schools).

Schools may request (but are not guaranteed) meeting space for religious observance, team meetings, or other special needs from the tournament host as long as the meeting will not interfere with the tournament schedule or other host school limitations. Requests should be made in advance.

A committee was formed to study and make recommendations for the revision of PSCFA ballots at the Spring Coaches Meeting. Considerations include: rating terminology/use of points for individual events and inclusion of event descriptions or rules on ballots. Committee members are: Jill McCall, Roxanne Tuscany, Edwin Tionsen, Susan Cereda and Gil Puga.

Konrad will investigate the possibility of getting bugless PSCFA tabbing software.

Tournament Management Committee – Liesel Reinhart

1) Publication of *PSCFA Guidelines for Judges*

The committee recommends that the organization reinstitute a brief judging guideline publication. (Final deadline for recommendation for changes to be September 16)

Passed

2) Handbook amendment: Responsibilities of Judges: Revise Handbook Page 30 to:

- A. Judges will arrive at the ballot table at least 10 minutes prior to the start of each round, and will remain in the judges' area until the table announces that judges are released.
- B. Judges will promptly return completed ballots to the judges table upon completion of the round
- C. Judges shall not provide oral critiques in a non-debate event prior to turning in their ballots.(Remains the same)

- D. Judges shall provide accurate time signals for students in all limited preparation events and debate.
- E. Judges are obliged to provide detailed and constructive written criticism of any and all rounds of competition they evaluate.
- F. Each judge shall render an unambiguous win/loss decision in each debate round as well as unambiguous points and rank in each preliminary round.
- G. Judges have the discretion to disclose decisions and provide oral critiques in debate, as long as it does not impact the tournament schedule.
- H. The Tournament Director has the discretion to remove a judge from a round based on potential conflict of interest.

Passed

3) Certification of Judges: Add to I, D (Judging Eligibility)

All judges are required to be certified by the organization prior to judging at any PSCFA tournament. To be certified, judges must review the PSCFA *Guidelines for Judges* publication, and sign the accompanying form/code of conduct statement indicating their review of and acceptance of PSCFA guidelines. For all judges meeting a school's judging commitment, that school is responsible for ensuring that all judges are certified. For all judges hired by the tournament directly, the Tournament Director has this responsibility. In the event that an uncertified judge should arrive at a tournament to judge, he/she will be given thirty minutes to review and sign the certification form. In an emergency, a tournament director may allow an uncertified judge to take a ballot for one round only.

Until a judge is certified, he/she cannot count toward a school's judging commitment. That school would be subject to the appropriate penalty fee.

The roster of certified judges will be maintained by the Executive Secretary. Certification forms may be accepted by the executive secretary or by a PSCFA tournament director or judges' table.

The PSCFA guidelines for Judges Publication will be distributed to all PSCFA member schools, will be accessible from the web site, and will be available at the judges' table for PSCFA tournaments.

A list of certified judges will be maintained on the web site and also provided to each PSCFA Tournament Director.

Should PSCFA rules or procedures change, judges will be asked to review the changes and sign a form to update their certification. Updating certification will not be subject to a thirty minute review period for the review of changes.

This process will start at the Fall Championship Tournament. Passed

4) Judge Censure Procedure: Create I, E (Judge Censure)

1) Egregious behavior on the part of a judge, shall incur the penalties listed in sub-section 2. Such behavior is described as one of the following:

- (a) Verbal battery of a student (including cursing at or grossly demeaning comments)
- (b) Physical battery of a student (including pushing, striking, or throwing objects at them)
- (c) Gross violation of the terms of judge certification

2) The disciplinary procedures for acts, described in sub-section 1, shall be:

- (a) The first offense will be handled by the Tournament Director, and if the event is serious enough the judge may be removed from the judging pool at that tournament.
- (b) The second offense will result in the revocation of judge certification for one calendar year.
- (c) The third offense will result in permanent revocation of judge certification and a letter sent to the responsible school's administration detailing the action taken and the reasons for it.

3) In the case of removal of a judge, under this rule, his/her school will be required to pay the judging fees to make up for that judge's absence

4) The appeals process, under this rule, will consist of an appeal first to the Ombudsperson, then, if necessary to the entire executive committee

Passed

5) Add I, B, 1, f): (Student eligibility)

Programs may request to the executive committee, in writing, a waiver of this policy for individual students. Passed

6) Amend IV, B, 2, b), 2): (Breaking procedure for Championship/Cool-off)

"In the event of a tie on ranks in novice and junior divisions, a third panel may be created to accommodate the tie not to exceed 50%." Passed

7) Amend IV, C, 1, a): (Sweepstakes at Individual tournaments)

From: "The novice award shall be based on a school's combined sweepstakes points from only novice division competition.""

To: "The novice award shall be based on a school's combined sweepstakes points from novice and rookie division competition."

Passed

Respectfully submitted,
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Re: Minutes of Fall Coaches Meeting, September 7, 2003

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Amended: For Fall and Spring Champs for 2003-4

PASSED

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And add:

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PASSED

5. A Proposal to Allow Three Person Teams

Eliminate V, B, 4, a, i.

~~Three person teams are allowed in novice only~~

Amended: Only two may speak

PASSED

6. A Proposal to Mandate Individual Student Sign-in

Add to V, B,

2. Students shall indicate their individual physical attendance to the tournament staff at least fifteen minutes before the beginning of the debate in CEDA/NDT Debate or fifteen minutes after the announcement of the topic in NPDA Debate. Failure to comply shall result in awarding a no-show for the first two rounds in NPDA Senior, Junior, or Novice divisions. Rookie teams will only forfeit the first round..

PASSED

7. A Proposal to Recommend Redistricting of NPDA Districts

In light of the proposed redistricting and governance changes of the NPDA, the PSCFA suggests to the NCFA that the six representatives be distributed as follows:

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PASSED

Option #2: California shall be one District, electing all six of its representatives by common election. The following conditions shall apply to the election of officers: Two students shall be elected, one from a two-year institution and one from a four-year institution; Two faculty members shall be elected, one from a two-year institution, one from a four-year institution; Two representatives must be from Northern California, Nevada & Hawaii and two representatives must be from Southern California & Arizona

8. A Proposal to Add NPDA-Style Lincoln-Douglas Debate to the Fall and Spring Championship Tournaments

Replace V, B, 3, b with the following:

NPDA-Style L-D: 7-10-6-6-3 with appropriate preparation time preceding the debate. This will be a non-Sweepstakes event. This event will be for one year; limitation of the entries for this event will be at the discretion of the Tournament Director.

PASSED

9. Proposed Championship Tournament Schedule (listed below)

Amended: Rookie and RT schedule at the discretion of the Tournament Director

PSCFA Championship Tournament

Proposed Schedule of Events

FRIDAY—Day One

1:00-2:30	DEBATE REGISTRATION – Location TBA
2:15	NPDA Topic Announce
3:00-3:45	Round One: NPDA Debate
4:00-4:45	Round Two: NPDA Debate
5:15	NPDA Topic Announce
5:35-6:20	Round Three: NPDA Debate
6:40	NPDA Topic Announce
7:00-7:45	Round Four: NPDA Debate

SATURDAY—Day Two

8:00-9:00	IE DROP PERIOD – Location TBA
8:10	NPDA Topic Announce
8:30-9:15	Round Five: NPDA Debate
9:30-10:45	Round One: Pattern A (IMP, PERS, CA, DRA, POI, DUO)
10:55	NPDA Topic Announce
11:15-12:00	Round Six: NPDA Debate
12:00-12:30	LUNCH BREAK
12:30-1:45	Round Two: Pattern A (IMP, PERS, CA, DRA, POI, DUO)
1:45-3:00	Round Three: Pattern A (IMP, PERS, CA, DRA, POI, DUO)
3:10	NPDA Topic Announce
3:30-4:15	Elim 1: NPDA Debate
4:30-5:45	Finals: Pattern A (IMP, PERS, CA, DRA, POI, DUO)
5:55	NPDA Topic Announce
6:15-7:00	Elim 2: NPDA Debate

SUNDAY—Day Three

7:30-8:00	IE DROP PERIOD – Location TBA
8:00	Extemp Draw
8:15-9:30	Round One: Pattern B (EXT, INFO, ADS, PRO, POE, CArt)
9:40	NPDA Topic Announce
10:00-10:45	Elim 3: NPDA Debate
11:00	Extemp Draw
11:15-12:30	Round One: Pattern B (EXT, INFO, ADS, PRO, POE, CArt)
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2:30-3:15	Elim 4: NPDA Debate
3:30	Extemp Draw
3:45-5:00	Finals: Pattern B (EXT, INFO, ADS, PRO, POE, CArt)
5:10	NPDA Topic Announce
5:30-6:15	Elim 5: NPDA Debate
6:30 or ASAP	AWARDS CEREMONY

PASSED

B. BUDGET AND HANDBOOK COMMITTEE - Chaired by Christopher DeSurra

1) Adding to debate definition. Current wording: Is comprised of debaters neither of whom has participated in more than four semesters of NDT or CEDA debate and/or who has not participated in the final round of a junior or open division of two CEDA and/or NDT tournaments. Add: **Parliamentary debate in all cases**

PASSED

2) Amend

I.B.2. b,2 : Current wording: A person who has won a trophy (1st, 2nd, or 3rd) in an event in which a final round occurs. Add: **or a Gold /Silver/Bronze at CCCFA or Phi Rho Pi**

I.B.2. c,2 : Current wording: Students who are in their first or second year of intercollegiate competition and/or who have not won two trophies (1st, 2nd, or 3rd) in an event in which a final round occurs. Add: **or won a Gold /Silver/Bronze at CCCFA or Phi Rho Pi**

3) Amend I.B.2.b), 1.: Current wording: A team comprised of debaters, neither of whom has participated in more than two semesters of debate and/or participated in a final round of two debate tournaments. Add: **or won any medal at CCCFA or Phi Rho Pi**

4) Amend I.B.2.c), 1): Current wording: Is comprised of debaters neither of whom has participated in more than four semesters of NDT or CEDA debate and/or who has not participated in a final round of a junior or open division of two CEDA and/or NDT tournaments. Add: **A gold or silver medal at CCCFA or Phi Rho Pi shall count as a final round**

5) Ballot changes recommended as follows:

- Adding “reason for decision” and “Speaking time” to the ballots
- Changing current Superior/Excellent/Good/Fair/Unprepared to a point system where speakers are evaluated from 25 being the highest to 10 being the lowest
- Add Cultural Artifact to our events listing in ballots
- Change from landscape to portrait format

The Committee does not recommend the motion to have Sweepstakes Awards for Debate only and Individual Events only at PSCFA tournaments

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PASSED

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8. A Proposal to Add NPDA-Style Lincoln-Douglas Debate to the Fall and Spring Championship Tournaments

Replace V, B, 3, b with the following:

NPDA-Style L-D: 7-10-6-6-3 with appropriate preparation time preceding the debate.

This will be a non-Sweepstakes event. This event will be for one year; limitation of the entries for this event will be at the discretion of the Tournament Director.

PASSED

9. Proposed Championship Tournament Schedule (listed below)

Amended: Rookie and RT schedule at the discretion of the Tournament Director

**PSCFA Championship Tournament
Proposed Schedule of Events**

FRIDAY—Day One

Scheduling of Rookie and Readers Theatre at discretion of Tournament Director

1:00-2:30	DEBATE REGISTRATION – Location TBA
2:15	NPDA Topic Announce
3:00-3:45	Round One: NPDA Debate
4:00-4:45	Round Two: NPDA Debate
5:15	NPDA Topic Announce
5:35-6:20	Round Three: NPDA Debate
6:40	NPDA Topic Announce
7:00-7:45	Round Four: NPDA Debate

SATURDAY—Day Two

8:00-9:00	IE DROP PERIOD – Location TBA
8:10	NPDA Topic Announce
8:30-9:15	Round Five: NPDA Debate
9:30-10:45	Round One: Pattern A (IMP, PERS, CA, DRA, POI, DUO)
10:55	NPDA Topic Announce
11:15-12:00	Round Six: NPDA Debate
12:00-12:30	LUNCH BREAK
12:30-1:45	Round Two: Pattern A (IMP, PERS, CA, DRA, POI, DUO)
1:45-3:00	Round Three: Pattern A (IMP, PERS, CA, DRA, POI, DUO)
3:10	NPDA Topic Announce
3:30-4:15	Elim 1: NPDA Debate
4:30-5:45	Finals: Pattern A (IMP, PERS, CA, DRA, POI, DUO)
5:55	NPDA Topic Announce
6:15-7:00	Elim 2: NPDA Debate

SUNDAY—Day Three

7:30-8:00	IE DROP PERIOD – Location TBA
8:00	Extemp Draw
8:15-9:30	Round One: Pattern B (EXT, INFO, ADS, PRO, POE, CArt)
9:40	NPDA Topic Announce
10:00-10:45	Elim 3: NPDA Debate
11:00	Extemp Draw
11:15-12:30	Round One: Pattern B (EXT, INFO, ADS, PRO, POE, CArt)
12:30	Extemp Draw
12:45-2:00	Round One: Pattern B (EXT, INFO, ADS, PRO, POE, CArt)
2:10	NPDA Topic Announce
2:30-3:15	Elim 4: NPDA Debate
3:30	Extemp Draw
3:45-5:00	Finals: Pattern B (EXT, INFO, ADS, PRO, POE, CArt)
5:10	NPDA Topic Announce
5:30-6:15	Elim 5: NPDA Debate
6:30 or ASAP	AWARDS CEREMONY
<u>PASSED</u>	

B. BUDGET AND HANDBOOK COMMITTEE – Chaired by Christopher DeSurra

1) Adding to debate definition. Current wording: Is comprised of debaters neither of whom has participated in more than four semesters of NDT or CEDA debate and/or who has not participated in the final round of a junior or open division of two CEDA and/or NDT tournaments.

Add: **Parliamentary debate in all cases**

PASSED

2) Amend

I.B.2. b,2 : Current wording: A person who has not won a trophy (1st, 2nd, or 3rd) in an event in which a final round occurs. Add: **or a Gold /Silver/Bronze at CCCFA or Phi**

Rho Pi

PASSED

I.B.2. c,2 : Current wording: Students who are in their first or second year of intercollegiate competition and/or who have not won two trophies (1st, 2nd, or 3rd) in an event in which a final round occurs. Add: **Winning a Gold /Silver/Bronze at CCCFA or Phi Rho Pi**

shall count as a final round

PASSED

3) Amend I.B.2.b), 1.: Current wording: A team comprised of debaters, neither of whom has participated in more than two semesters of debate and/or participated in a final round of two debate tournaments. Add: **or won any medal at CCCFA or Phi Rho Pi or won an**

elimination round award at the NPDA, CEDA or NDT National Championship

Tournaments

PASSED

4) Amend I.B.2.c), 1): Current wording: Is comprised of debaters neither of whom has participated in more than four semesters of NDT or CEDA debate and/or who has not participated in a final round of a junior or open division of two CEDA and/or NDT tournaments.

Add: **A gold or silver medal at CCCFA or Phi Rho Pi or won an elimination round award at the NPDA, CEDA or NDT National Championship Tournaments shall count as a final round**

PASSED

5) Ballot changes recommended as follows:

- Adding “reason for decision” and “Speaking time” to the ballots
- Changing current Superior/Excellent/Good/Fair/Unprepared to a point system where speakers are evaluated from 25 being the highest
- Add Cultural Artifact to our events listing in ballots
- Change from landscape to portrait format

PASSED

The Committee does not recommend the motion to have Sweepstakes Awards for Debate only and Individual Events only at PSCFA tournaments

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The members attending the meeting thanked the Hotel Staff
- Matt Taylor reminded all coaches who have students transferring to apply as early as possible
- There was a discussion that some tournaments will have a hosting fee to help defray the costs which will be incurred by the three Schools hosting national tournaments this year (CSU Long Beach – AFA; CSU Northridge – NPDA; Moorpark College – Phi Rho Pi). There will be a place on the PSCFA receipts to designate contributions
- Felicia Coco was announced as the Tournament Director for the Warm-Up

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Wyman, Executive Secretary

To: Members of PSCFA
From: Jim Wyman

Re: Minutes of Fall Coaches Meeting, September 12, 2004

I. Introductions

The 2004 Fall Coaches Meeting was held at the Marriott Rancho Las Palmas Resort. PSCFA President Matt Taylor called the meeting to order. A request was made for people to fill out their Jack Howe ballots. A request was made for people to make roster changes

Vice-President Ed Tionson made announcements about the Seminar. The Warm-Up announcements were made. Introductions were made.

II. The 2004-05 Calendar of tournaments discussed. A copy can be found on the PSCFA website

III. The minutes of the Spring Coaches meeting were approved

IV. The financial Report was presented and approved. PSCFA spent more money than it took in again. Reserves are getting dangerously low.

V. Committee Reports

- A. Liana Koeppel presented the report from the PSCFA Coaches Conference Committee. The committee motion: "The PSCFA Coaches Conference shall be a gathering of forensics professionals designed to facilitate professional growth, conduct the business of the PSCFA and provide forums for social interaction, training and the exchange of ideas. The President of the organization will direct a committee of Program Planners in the development of the PSCFA Coaches Conference." The tentative schedule would be as follows:

Friday:

4:00 – 5:15	Panels/Workshops
5:30 – 6:45	Panels/Workshops
7:00	Dinner

Saturday:

9:00 – 10:15	Panels/Workshops
10:30 – 11:45	Panels/Workshops (Open Forum for New Ideas) (New Coach Orientation)
12:15 – 1:45	Lunch
1:45 – 3:45	Business Discussion Groups I
3:45 – 5:45	Business Discussion Groups II Committee Meetings
7:00	Social Gathering

Sunday:

9:00 A.M.	Voting Business Meeting	<u>MSP</u>
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- B. Eddie Tionson presented the State Championships Committee Report. The motion: A committee (to be named by the President) will explore the possibility of creating a State Championship tournament which may replace the PSCFA Spring Championship Tournament. The committee will meet with representatives of other organizations, e.g., NCFCA, CCCFA, etc. The committee will present their report at the Spring Coaches meeting. MSP

C. Jim Wyman presented the report from the Budget & handbook Committee

1. Increase the judging fees for Individual events to \$12 MSP
- 2) For the Fall Coaches meeting there will be an optional \$50 per person registration fee MSP
- 3) Set a one time \$50 fee (amended to be \$25 –MSP) for each PSCFA school (both present and future) for providing on-line streaming video and text resources from the Demonstration Seminar. The on-line streaming will be password protected. The site must be complete and functional by 11/1/04 and updated annually by the first of November with new video from subsequent events. Passwords would change annually on 11/1. Seminar host schools will also be responsible for providing a digital video camera and 3 hours worth of suitable digital videotapes. MSP
(Amendment to make the fee voluntary failed)
- 4) Amend I.B. 2b,2): A person who has not won a trophy (1st, 2nd, or 3rd) in an event in which a final round occurs or a Gold /Silver/Bronze at CCCFA or Phi Rho Pi (Readers Theatre and Interpretation shall be considered similar events), (Underlined is new) MSP
- 5) Eliminate number 4 from the duties of the President: 4. "Appoint three individuals to the registration fee oversight committee." And add those duties to the Executive Secretary. MSP
- 6) The Speech and Debate Scholars Award:
 - Put the President in charge of administering this award
 - Make the fees payable at the Spring ChampionshipsMSP
- 7) Put the Vice-President in charge of the updating the roster of certified judges during the tournaments MSP

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Wyman, Executive Secretary

To: Members of PSCFA
From: Jim Wyman

Re: Minutes of Fall Coaches Meeting, September 11, 2005

I. Introductions

The 2005 Fall Coaches Meeting was held at the Dana Resort on Mission Bay in San Diego. PSCFA President Eddie Tiongson called the meeting to order.

Vice-President Mark Durrough made announcements about the Seminar. Introductions were made.

. A request was made for people to fill out their Jack Howe ballots. A request was made for people to make roster changes

II. The 2005-06 Calendar of tournaments discussed. A copy can be found on the PSCFA website

III. The minutes of the Spring Coaches meeting were approved

IV. The financial Report was presented and approved. PSCFA is officially a tax-exempt organization. Except for the cost of applying for tax exemption, the organization broke even in 2004-5.

V. Committee Reports

A. Jim Wyman presented the report from the Budget & handbook Committee

1) Delete numbers 12 and 13 of the duties of the Executive Secretary

12. Provide mailing labels and current Tournament invitation (along with a summary of changes for that year) to the Tournament Director. Providing mailing labels of the PSCFA membership to all member schools in good standing who request them.

13. Create, maintain, and update the PSCFA annual membership roster. Each member school is entitled to two (2) free copies of the roster. Additional copies may be purchased from the Executive Secretary.

MSP

2) 2) Delete section under Publications:

Each new member school shall receive two (2) free copies. Additional copies may be purchased from the Executive Secretary.

MSP

3) Delete sections 2 and 3 under Entry Procedures changes; change wording to first section:

1. Changes will be accepted until 6:00 PM Wednesday, nuisance fees are attached to all changes after 6:00 PM Tuesday. Exception: Drops are free until 6:00 PM Wednesday.

2. Acceptable Changes

a) Substitutions

b) Name Changes

c) Drops

d) Changes from one event to another

e) Increasing the number of events one person is entered in

3. Unacceptable Changes

New people added to the tournament. Exception: The Tournament Director

shall have discretion to allow late adds/changes, provided they do not disrupt the tournament.

Would become:

Changes will be accepted until 6:00 P.M. Wednesday; Fees assessed as of 6:00 P.M. on Wednesday. Only nuisance fees described under II,C.,1 will be assessed after this time.

MSP

4) Change elimination round numbers for Debate and RT:

Currently:

- 1) 4-6 entries--Finals
- 2) 8-14 entries--Semi-finals
- 3) 15-28 entries--Quarter-finals
- 4) 29-58 entries--Octo-finals
- 5) 59+ entries--All teams with a 4-2 record, total not to exceed 32

Would become:

- 1) 4-7 entries--Finals
- 2) 8-15 entries--Semi-finals
- 3) 16-31 entries--Quarter-finals
- 4) 32-63 entries--Octo-finals
- 5) 64+ entries--All teams with a 4-2 record, total not to exceed 32

MSP

5) Change directions to Director of Judges to read the same as judging commitment

Currently: Judges covering four preliminary debate rounds be assigned as follows: One judge per two teams judge four rounds, one judge per one team--judge two rounds. Judges covering six preliminary debate rounds be assigned as follows: one judge per two teams--judge six rounds, one judge per one team--judge three rounds.

Wording from judging commitment:

Each school must provide one judge per each two debate entries, one judge for each two readers theater entries, and one judge for each five individual events per speaking hour, plus one/half judge commitment for any additional team entry.

MSP

6) Change from trophies to plates, plaques and medals as shown.

After passing around the proposed plaques and medals. The organization voted to use the plaques without backing for individual events. Sweepstakes will have a marble backing; the torch symbol will be used. Medals will be used for all finalists in Individual events and debate other than first, second, and third.

MSP

B. Eddie Tiongson presented the report from the Proposing New Ideas Committee except for the first and fourth areas.

1)PSCFA Fall and Spring Champs should change its schedule. Konrad Hack presented two versions of a new schedule. One was a two day schedule; the other was a three day schedule. The organization voted to consider the three day schedule.

MS FAILED

2) PSCFA should eliminate festival finals for open divisions at the Fall and Spring Championships.

MSP

on Page 20 under General Individual Event Rules and Procedures, the following should be added to section 2 Paneling:

c.) Festival Finals

Events holding 24 or more entries will go to festival finals in Novice and Junior Divisions only.

MSP

3) The Executive Committee should send a disheartening letter to NPDA voicing its concerns on how NPDA has change its recording of seasonal sweepstakes points. NPDA has changed its rulings for season sweepstakes where Novice and Junior divisions are now half the point value of Open Division sweepstakes points. This letter would voice a change to reverse their decision so that Novice, Junior, and Open Divisions of debate would be worth the same point value. .

MSP

4) A report from a subcommittee concerning changes to Novice debate time limits and judging. Parts A through D. Part A failed; Parts B and C were withdrawn; part D was referred to a committee.

D. The FRED judge certification system will be amended to include information to assist the development of novice debate judging

General Announcements From *Proposing New Ideas*

1. PSCFA and Policy: Sue Peterson of Pepperdine University is willing to assist in programs interested in (re)starting their policy teams. Information and startup kits will be available.
2. Consider posting your Judging Philosophy at idebate.org. Posted philosophies may give students a guide at Fall and Spring Champs
3. Tournament Directors should note to delineate AFA Rules versus AFA Event Descriptions. Current changing of AFA rules may impact student eligibility.

To: Members of PSCFA
From: Jim Wyman

Re: Minutes of Fall Coaches Meeting, September 10, 2006

I. Introductions

The 2006 Fall Coaches Meeting was held at the Rancho Las Palmas Resort in Rancho Mirage. PSCFA President Mark Dorrrough called the meeting to order. Introductions were made.

II. The minutes of the Spring Coaches meeting were approved

III. The financial Report was presented and approved. The organization pretty much broke even for the year

II. The 2006-07 Calendar of tournaments discussed. A copy can be found on the PSCFA website

V. Committee Reports

A. Discussions from the transfer panel were presented by Lianna Koeppel. A motion was made to have a student speak at the Fall Championship Tournament about transferring and continuing to compete

B. Jim Wyman presented the report from the Administration and Cost Committee – **ALL MOTIONS PASSED**

1) Create a computer based Certificates for Superior and Excellent certificates awarded at the Warm-Up tournament

2) Reverse the Individual Event patterns: the pattern starting with Impromptu becomes the “B” pattern (and the pattern with Extemp becomes the “A” pattern)

3) Change the Cool-Off schedule to reflect the following:

b. Cool-off: The Cool-off will consist of three preliminary rounds and a final round in a novice division of all eleven AFA events. The cool-off will also consist of four preliminary and up to two elimination rounds of novice division of CEDA/NDT team debate. There shall also be four preliminary and up to three elimination rounds of novice division of NPDA debate. The Cool-off will also consist of four preliminary rounds and no elimination rounds of Rookie divisions of CEDA Team and NDT Team. **Pattern A (Extemp, Prose, Poetry, Expos., STE, Cultural Artifact). Pattern B (Impromptu, Persuasion, Duo, O.I., CA, Drama).** Debate shall occur on day one, and individual events on day two. Remaining schedule decisions are at the discretion of the tournament director in consultation with the tournament host.

The following schedule was adopted for the Cool-Off Tournament:

SATURDAY – DEBATE

The first two rounds will use the same topic. Teams not signed in by 8:30 will be dropped from the tournament.

Judges must attend the Orientation meeting. Judges will not discuss decisions after the round until the ballot has been turned in

8:00-8:30	Registration and sign-In
8:15	Topic Announced for Rounds 1 and 2
8:45-9:00	Judges Orientation
9:00-10:00	NPDA Debate, Round 1
9:00-10:45	CEDA/NDT Debate, Round 1
10:15-11:15	NPDA Debate, Round 2
10:45-12:30	CEDA/NDT Debate, Round 2
11:30-12:45	NPDA Debate, Round 3
12:30-2:15	CEDA/NDT Debate, Round 3
1:00-2:15	NPDA Debate, Round 4
1:00	PSCFA Coaches meeting
2:15-4:00	CEDA/NDT Debate, Round 4

2:45	NPDA Debate Awards
3:00-4:15	NPDA Debate Quarterfinals
4:30	CEDA/NDT Debate Awards
4:30-5:45	NPDA Debate Semifinals
5:00-6:45	CEDA/NDT Debate Semifinals
6:00-7:15	NPDA Debate Finals
7:00-8:30	CEDA/NDT Debate Finals

SUNDAY - INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

Pattern A (Extemp, Prose, Poetry, Expos., STE, Cultural Artifact).

Pattern B (Impromptu, Persuasion, Duo, O.I., CA, Drama).

9:00	Round 1: Pattern A
10:30	Round 1: Pattern B
11:45	Round 2: Pattern A
1:15	Round 2: Pattern B
2:30	Finals: Pattern A
3:45	Finals: Pattern B
5:00	Awards

4) Change the scheduling of Rookie and Theatre to run with NPDA debate times for Friday at Fall and Spring Championships. Rookie will use the same topic as the other divisions of debate

5) Change the Warm-Up schedule to reflect the following:

FRIDAY

12:00 – Registration – Sign In
 12:15 – Topic Announce for Rounds 1 & 2
 1:00 – Round 1
 2:00 – Round 2
 3:15 – Topic Announce
 3:30 – Round 3
 4:45 – Topic Announce
 5:00 – Round 4
 6:30 - Awards

Saturday

8:00 - Registration
 9:00 – Extemp Draw
 9:00 – Round 1 Pattern A
 10:30 – Round 1 Pattern B
 12:00 – Extemp Draw
 12:00 – Round 2 Pattern A
 1:30 – Round 2 Pattern B
 3:00 – Awards

6) Remove the grace period for judges missing ballots:

Currently it reads: Judge No-Show Fees: \$25.00 per round, at the discretion of the tournament director. The Judge No-Show Fee is not to include the first round the judge missed an assignment. The first missed assignment will result in a cautionary warning (written or oral) by the ombuds and/or Director of Judging. This grace round will not be available for the first round of each day.

This motion would eliminate all wording after the first sentence.

7) Return to Trophies for all Sweepstakes Awards.

8) Change entry procedure to require using the Website entry form or its equivalent.

C. Mark Dorrough presented the motions from the New Ideas Committee

ALL MOTIONS PASSED EXCEPT FOR ITEM 3

Item 1: NFA-LD as an experimental event.

- 1) NFA-LD will be offered at the 2006 Fall Tournament and 2007 Spring tournaments as well as 2007 Cool-Off
- 2) NFA rules will be followed unless otherwise specified (see below)
- 3) NFA-LD will happen during the parliamentary debate pattern. There will be 6 elimination rounds followed by out rounds
- 4) Sweepstakes points will not be given for awards in NFA-LD
- 5) The tournament director may limit entries for logistical purposes
- 6) Entries are limited to 4 entries per school
- 7) There will be no charge for entering a competitor in NFA-LD

- 8) Schools are required to provide 1 judge for every 1 or 2 entries, and 2 judges for 3 or 4 entries
- 9) Award winners in NFA-LD will be given certificates instead of the normal awards

Appendix A: NFA-LD rules

Your location: [NFA Home](#) --> [NFA-LD](#) --> LD Rules

Webmaster note: Latest edition updates some typographical errors found in the previous online version.

NFA Lincoln-Douglas Debate is a one-person, persuasive, policy debate on traditional stock issues. It is a communication event, by which we mean the philosophy of the activity is consistent with that which governs other individual events. Competitors in NFA Lincoln-Douglas will be evaluated on their analysis, use of evidence, and ability to effectively and persuasively organize, deliver, and refute arguments. Rapid-fire delivery, commonly called "spread delivery," is considered antithetical to the purpose and intent of this event.

PARADIGM FOR JUDGING

All affirmative proposals must fit within the jurisdiction established by the NFA LD resolution. The negative may challenge the topicality of the affirmative proposal during the negative constructive. If, at the end of the debate, the negative has convinced the judge that the affirmative proposal has violated the parameters set by the resolution, then the decision in that debate should be awarded to the negative. Topicality is a voting issue.

The plan presented by the affirmative must be within the parameters set by the terms of the resolution. However, the plan does not need to deal with all the possible problem areas suggested by the resolution.

The official decision-making paradigm of NFA LD is that of Stock Issues: Harm (Advantage or Goals), Inherency, and Solvency. The affirmative is required to meet three initial burdens. The affirmative must prove:

1. The harm of the present system or that a comparative advantage or goal can be achieved over the present system;
2. The inherency which prevents solving those harms or achieving those advantages or goals;
- and, 3. the proposed plan's ability to solve the harm or achieve the advantage or goal claimed by affirmative. The negative may attack any of these issues, but need only win one to win the debate. The negative may also challenge the jurisdiction (topicality) of the affirmative proposal or argue that disadvantages to the proposal outweigh its benefits.

The plan need not be detailed, but should be sufficient to prove a propensity to solve the problem area. The affirmative need only prove that the resolution should be adopted. Solvency is to be a function of the plan's ability to work after the adoption of the policy by the agent/agents of change.

Definitions of terms in the affirmative constructive are optional, and they are not required until challenges to topicality are made by the negative.

The negative may present one counterproposal specific to the affirmative problem area. By this, we mean that the counterproposal must deal with the problem area defined by the affirmative, and not the form of government, economic system, or need for further study (UNLESS SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED AS A KEY ISSUE IN THE RESOLUTION). Counterproposals should be used to demonstrate that a reasonable alternative plan would be better policy than either the status quo or the affirmative plan. Counterproposals should be logically consistent with all other negative arguments constructed during the debate. If inconsistencies arise and the affirmative points them out, the judge should reject the arguments inconsistent with the counterproposal. Counterproposals must be non-topical and are subject to the same burdens of solvency as are required for affirmative plans.

Rebuttals are to be used to respond to the opposition's lines of argument and to extend arguments made in constructive speeches. No new lines of argument may be presented in

rebuttals. By new lines of argument, we mean those which are not clarifications or responses made to arguments made in constructive, but those which are completely new and unrelated to previous argumentation. New evidence to extend or clarify constructive arguments is permitted in rebuttal.

Speeches should be pleasant, comprehensible, and persuasive in tone, especially since not all judges will have traditional debate experience. Speech delivery and quantity of evidence should not be excessive. Since LD debate adheres to the communication principles of individual events, judges are encouraged to give a verbal warning to debaters speaking too rapidly in a round. If the speaker does not heed the warning in that particular round, the judge is strongly encouraged to give that speaker a loss for that round even if the student has otherwise "won" the debate on the basis of the stock issues. On the other hand, judges who encourage students to speak rapidly should be reported to the tournament director. At the national tournament, these judges will be pulled from the judging pool and their schools assessed judging fees for the rounds not covered. Local tournament directors are encouraged to develop their own responses to such judges.

EVIDENCE IN DEBATE

Students should only use evidence that is accurate and thoroughly referenced in their speeches. (ALL EVIDENCE MUST BE FROM A PUBLISHED SOURCE, AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC, AND VERIFIABLE AT THE TOURNAMENT.)

In both prepared speeches and speeches composed with limited preparation time, debaters should use evidence that is accurately and directly quoted. The evidence should be quoted with proper respect to the context of the original source. The first time a source is presented, the debater must state the full source when introducing the evidence. A "full source" is assumed to include author's name, author's qualifications (when apparent in the original), full date, and title of source. Page numbers need not be read during the debate, but should be available upon request. Once a source has been cited, evidence subsequently cited from the source need only include the author's and/or publication's name as well as a phrase along the lines of "previously cited." Both speakers in a debate are required to make available to their opponent copies of any evidence used in the round, including the affirmative constructive speech. The evidence must be returned to the speaker at the end of the debate.

If a debater, during the course of the debate, charges his/her opponent with violating an ethical standard, the debate shall immediately cease. The judge will bring the students to a member of the tournament committee and the debater making the charge will fill out a formal complaint according to the provisions under (1) in the section "Violation of the Code of Ethics." The complaint will then be adjudicated as in any other complaint. If the debater making the charge during the round refuses to file a formal complaint, that debater will receive a loss for the debate. Complaints made after a round will follow the standard procedure listed in the "violation" section of the Code of Ethics.

Students may use evidence from non-written sources as long as the veracity of the evidence may be verified. Information gathered from personal and/or phone interviews, as well as information from electronic sources, may be used, provided the student does the following:

1. Indicates during the performance the name of the source, date the information was collected, and method used to collect the information; and,
2. Possesses a means to verify the accuracy of the evidence should it be formally challenged. Verification may include a transcript of the interview, broadcast, etc., a notarized letter of authenticity from the source identifying specific passages from the performance as accurate, and/or phone numbers at which the source may be reached to verify the veracity of the information. (This last option is not recommended as the sole option since the source may not be reachable at the time an ethical charge is made.)

Item 2: Parliamentary debate eligibility changes

1) Clause I.B.2.b)1) of the Handbook's Rules and Procedures section will be changed from
Novice Debate

A team comprised of debaters, neither of whom has participated in more than two semesters of debate and/or participated in the final round of two debate tournaments or won any medal at CCCFA or Phi Rho Pi or won an elimination round award at the NPDA, CEDA or NDT National Championship Tournaments

to

Novice Debate

A team comprised of debaters, neither of whom has participated in more than two semesters of debate and/or participated in elimination rounds at three or more debate tournaments, or won any medal at CCCFA or Phi Rho Pi or won an elimination round award at the NPDA, CEDA or NDT National Championship Tournaments or any national championship tournament

2) Clause I.B.2.c)1) of the PSCFA Hand Book's Rules and Procedures section will be changed from
Junior Debate

Is comprised of debaters neither of whom has participated in more than four semesters of NDT/CEDA or Parliamentary debate and/or who has not participated in the final round of a junior or open division of two CEDA and/or NDT and/or Parliamentary tournaments. A gold or silver medal at CCCFA or Phi Rho Pi or winning an elimination round award at the NPDA, CEDA or NDT National Championship Tournaments shall count as a final round

to

Junior Debate

Is comprised of debaters neither of whom has participated in more than four semesters of NDT/CEDA or Parliamentary debate and/or who has not participated in elimination rounds of a junior or open division of three CEDA and/or NDT and/or Parliamentary tournaments. A gold or silver medal at CCCFA or Phi Rho Pi or winning an elimination round award at the NPDA, CEDA or NDT National Championship Tournaments or any national championship tournament shall count as a final round

Item 3: Rookie Debate - Changes THIS ITEM FAILED!!

Clause I.B.2.a) of the PSCFA Hand Book's Rules and Procedures section will be changed from
Rookie

Is a student with no previous competitive experience in debate or individual events at any level.

to

Rookie Debate

Is a student in their first year of competition who has no previous interscholastic debate experience in college or high school.

Item 4: Student eligibility

Clauses I.B.1. a) through f) of the PSCFA Hand Book's section on Rules and Procedures will be changed from

a) Participants must not have received a bachelor's degree, except that students with a bachelor's degree may compete for one year if they have no previous collegiate forensic experience.

b) Students may not participate for more than eight semesters or 12 quarters.

c) A two year college student may represent a two-year school beyond four semesters but must conform to all other regulations.

d) If a student is concurrently enrolled in more than one institution, he/she must make a binding decision each semester indicating which school he/she will represent in competitive forensics.

e) All participants should be regularly enrolled students in good academic standing at the college or university for whom they compete.

f) Programs may request to the executive committee, in writing, a waiver of this policy for individual students

to

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I. Proposing new events for PSCFA Tournaments.

- A. New events may only be proposed by affiliates of PSCFA member schools in good financial standing.
- B. New event proposals will only be voted on at the fall PSCFA coaches conference.
- C. All proposals require a "New Event Proposal Form" (see appendix) to be submitted electronically to the PSCFA President by September 1st of the proposal year. The President will make every possible effort to post all received proposal forms on the PSCFA website and/or circulate them via email to the membership by the Tuesday prior to the fall coaches' conference.
- D. For new events that have not been previously offered at multiple tournaments within the region, it is strongly suggested that the proposal include a live or video demonstration (or partial demonstration) at the coaches conference during a Saturday afternoon session.
- E. All new events require one year of "experimental event" status before they may be proposed for permanent adoption.
- F. Experimental events will be offered with no entry fees. Awards will be in the form of certificates and the events will not count for sweepstakes. Results will not impact an individual student's eligibility at other PSCFA tournaments.
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- H. PSCFA Tournament directors have the discretion to limit entries for experimental events based on practical considerations.
- I. If a new event is approved, the sponsor should be prepared to present a live student demonstration of the event with coach commentary at the fall demonstration seminar of the first year the event is offered. Scheduling is at the discretion of the seminar director.
- J. Events may be extended on an experimental basis for an additional year through resubmission of documents the following fall.
- K. To propose permanent addition of event, sponsor (or designee) must present written analysis at the following year's PSCFA conference along with a new event proposal form. It is strongly suggested that supplemental documentation for the proposal include survey results from both coaches and students about the event.
- L. Events that are not approved for permanent adoption can be resubmitted in future years.

3. Additional Sponsors (names/schools) <optional>:

4. Name of proposed new event:

5. Proposed for addition at (mark all that apply):

- Warm-Up
- Fall Champs
- Spring Champs
- Cool Off

6. Proposal is for (mark one):

- First-year experimental event
- Second-year experimental event
- Permanent adoption <requires supplemental report>

7. Event description (include time limits):

8. Event category (mark one):

- Limited preparation
- Oral Interpretation
- Debate
- Public Address
- Other (explain)

9. Proposed divisions offered/limitations based on eligibility (Le. "senior division only"):

10. Rationale for the new event being offered specifically at PSCFA tournaments:

11. Other tournaments who have offered/currently offer the event <if applicable>:

12. Scheduling proposal (Be specific.):

13. Feasibility analysis (consider schedule impact, availability of rooms, judge impact, training of judges, student event conflicts, and other practical considerations of offering the new event):

NOTE: Include separate analysis if impact will vary by tournament. It is strongly suggested that past or current PSCFA tournament directors be consulted in preparation of this analysis.

14. Summary of advantages and disadvantages of offering the new event:

This form must be submitted via email to the PSCFA President by September 1st of the proposed adoption year.

Item 6: Non-Discrimination Statement

1. Possible PSCFA Nondiscrimination Statement for inclusion on PSCFA web page:

PSCFA respects and values all persons, and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity, pregnancy, physical or mental disability, medical condition, ancestry, marital status, age, sexual orientation, citizenship, or status as a veteran.

2. Possible Nondiscrimination statement for inclusion in PSCFA Judges' Handbook (F.R.E.D.):

As a judge, I understand that I have full discretion to evaluate speeches and debates. I agree that I will evaluate each student fairly without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity, pregnancy, physical or mental disability, medical condition, ancestry, marital status, age, sexual orientation, citizenship, or status as a veteran.

To: Members of PSCFA
From: Jim Wyman

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2) Awards: return to the plate form for all Sweepstakes awards.

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Currently PSCFA does not allow use of the Internet for Extemp or Parliamentary Debate

NEW IDEAS COMMITTEE (ALL MOTIONS PASSED; AMENDMENTS INDICATED)

1. PSCFA SLO Committee

PSCFA should form a committee to explore the existing research and status of existing SLOs. The committee should report the findings at next year's conference.

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PSCFA should form a committee to promote Forensics Programs at colleges and universities that are currently without a program. The purpose of the committee is to increase forensics competition through the assistance of PSCFA. This committee should explore:

a) A statement regarding the value of participation

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PSCFA should write a letter to WFA leadership encouraging them to make the WSCA tournament more accessible and affordable to schools by moving away from a hotel based tournament.

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Amended: up to 2 nights lodging and the representative must apply by August 1.

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The PSCFA President and Vice President shall appoint a committee to assist in program planning for PSCFA Coaches Conference. The committee shall have the discretion over schedule and number of panels. The PSCFA community encouraged to submit panel ideas to the committee. (This replaces part VI in the Handbook)

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PSCFA shall create a committee to collect data at all PSCFA tournaments to be used in assessment of tournament scheduling and administration. (**Original motion had only Fall Champs**)

NFA LD SUBCOMMITTEE (**Motion passed as shown**)

-This is a one year solution until PSCFA can more fully discuss the Champs tournament

-NFA LD debaters who qualify for an elimination round in NPDA that would conflict with LD are ineligible to participate in NFA LD

-elimination round at the discretion of the Tournament Director (**Amendment added**)

Rounds of NFA LD will be as follows:

Saturday:

6:00-6:45 Round 1

7:00-7:45 Round 2

Sunday:

9:45-10:30 Round 3

2:15-3:00 Round 4

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Added Motion which passed: to make a committee to explore making a video to show what Forensics does

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III. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

- A. Authorize the production of a mold of the PSCFA logo for the oval awards. This authorization is for the production of two molds (one for the first place award; one for the award for second and third places). **Passed**
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IV. NPDA report

The NPDA committee produced the following Mission Statement to be added to the Handbook under Article III of the Constitution; posted on the website; Included in the Tournament Invitation for all PSCFA tournaments; and to be posted and promoted in all possible ways:

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- 3.) Educational goals and assessment,

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Passed

V. Tournament Management Committee

A. Proposed Schedule Changes for Fall and Spring Championship Tournaments. Original proposal had 5 preliminary rounds and only teams with winning records. This was amended to have 6 preliminary rounds; Brackets will be made to include an even number of teams to a number divisible by four (to allow the two required elimination rounds), but not to exceed the 50% rule. This schedule is for one year. **PASSED**

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11:20 – 12:05	NPDA Rd 5
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** Rank to 4 in IE's

VI. New Ideas Committee

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- D. Create a standing research committee appointed by the President whose responsibilities may include maintaining an archive of forensics research, suggestions for possible research areas, identifying research funding opportunities, etc. **Passed**
- E. Cool-Off Reform Debate: eliminate Elim 2
The Cool-Off will have only one Elimination Round (Gold/Silver Awards only); Awards after that elimination round; move the Saturday debate tournament back one hour. **Passed**
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12:45-1:30	CEDA/NDT Debate, Round 2
1:30-12:45	Topic Announced for Rounds 3 and 4
12:45-1:45	NPDA Debate, Round 3
12:30-2:15	CEDA/NDT Debate, Round 3
2:30-3:30	NPDA Debate, Round 4
1:00	PSCFA Coaches meeting
2:15-4:00	CEDA/NDT Debate, Round 4
4:00-5:00	NPDA Debate Elims
5:15	NPDA Debate Awards
4:30	CEDA/NDT Debate Awards
5:00-6:45	CEDA/NDT Debate Elims

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To: Members of PSCFA
From: Jim Wyman

Re: Minutes of Fall Coaches Meeting, September 13, 2009

I. Introductions

The 2008 Fall Coaches Meeting was held at Half Moon Inn in San Diego. PSCFA President Stephanie Fleming called the meeting to order. Announcements about tournaments were made.

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II. The Financial Report was presented and approved. The organization lost some money (mostly due to the increase in judge payment amount). MSP

III. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

- A. Authorize the production of a mold of the PSCFA logo for the oval awards. This authorization is for the production of two molds (one for the first place award; one for the award for second and third places). **Passed**
- B. Increase the fee for uncovered debate teams to \$75. Amendment made and passed to increase the fee for uncovered debate teams to be \$75 if approved by the Tournament Director and \$100 if unapproved by the Tournament Director. **Passed**
- C. The Tournament Director will post the judging commitments (including which judges are requesting to be hired) for each school by the Wednesday at 9:00 P.M. of the tournament week. It is the responsibility of the Director of Forensics of each school to verify the validity and accuracy of the information by Thursday at 6:00 P.M. Any fees accumulated due to a lack of verification will be the responsibility of each school. **Passed**

IV. NPDA report

The NPDA committee produced the following Mission Statement to be added to the Handbook under Article III of the Constitution; posted on the website; Included in the Tournament Invitation for all PSCFA tournaments; and to be posted and promoted in all possible ways:

We value and encourage parliamentary debate through

- 1.) Public and professional communication delivery style,
- 2.) Critical thinking and impromptu argumentation skills, and
- 3.) Educational goals and assessment,

Presented in a diverse, creative and ethical environment

Passed

V. Tournament Management Committee

A. Proposed Schedule Changes for Fall and Spring Championship Tournaments. Original proposal had 5 preliminary rounds and only teams with winning records. This was amended to have 6 preliminary rounds; Brackets will be made to include an even number of teams to a number divisible by four (to allow the two required elimination rounds), but not to exceed the 50% rule. This schedule is for one year. **PASSED**

Friday:

12:00 – 2:15	Debate Registration
2:15	Topic Announce for Rounds 1 & 2
3:00 – 3:45	NPDA Rd 1

4:00 – 4:45	NPDA Rd 2
4:55	Topic Announce for Rd 3
5:15 – 6:00	NPDA Rd 3
6:10	Topic Announce for Rd 4
6:30 – 7:15	NPDA Rd 4
7:30	Rookie Awards

Saturday

8:00 – 8:45	NFA LD Rd 1
9:00 - 9:45	NFA LD Rd 2
10:00 – 10:45	NFA LD Rd 3
11:00	Topic Announce for Rd 5
11:20 – 12:05	NPDA Rd 5
12:20 – 1:05	NFA LD Rd 4
1:20	Topic Announce for Round 6
1:40 – 2:25	NPDA Round 6
2:45 – 3:30	NFA LD Bronze Round
3:45	Topic Announce for Elim 1
4:05 – 4:50	NPDA Elim 1
5:05 – 5:50	NFA LD Final Rd
6:00	Topic Announce for Elim 2
6:20 – 7:05	NPDA Elim 2
7:15	Debate Awards

Sunday

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2:45 – 4:15	Pattern A Finals
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6:15 (or ASAP)	Awards

** Rank to 4 in IE's

VI. New Ideas Committee

- A. Change name of Jack Howe Award to the Wyman-Howe Award. **Passed**
- B. Add to Tournament Director Duties:
 - Shall post tournament results to forensicstournament. net within 48 hours of conclusion of tournament. This motion was amended to include the posting of Impromptu, Extemp, and Parlie topics used. **Passed**
- C. PSCFA Call for Papers
 - There will be a call for papers in all PSCFA invitations and posted on the website; papers will be due June 1st of each year. There will be an undergraduate and a post-

graduate division. Any undergraduate papers co-authored by a post-graduate will be entered in the post-graduate division. Up to five submissions from each division will be invited to present at the coaches conference. Papers will be adjudicated by a committee appointed by the PSCFA president. Undergraduate students will be offered up to a \$100 stipend to offset the cost of the conference. The top undergraduate will be given a \$250.00 scholarship and will be invited to present their paper before awards at the PSCFA Fall Championships.

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II. The Financial Report was presented and approved. The organization lost some money (mostly due to the increase in judge payment amount and the purchase of the mold for the Awards – a one time fee).

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III. FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

- A. Clarify the wording of the drop/change fee listed in II C.1.
Should say: \$5.00 per individual event slot, \$10.00 per debate or Readers Theater entry for changes made after 12:00 P.M. on Friday, at the discretion of the Tournament Director. \$5.00 per individual event slot, \$10.00 per debate or Readers Theater entry for changes made between 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday and 12:00 P.M. on Friday: if such changes are in excess of 10% of the original entry or 10 slots, whichever is greater, at the discretion of the Tournament Director.
(From 2008 Handbook – error made in transcribing newer Handbook)
- B. Amend VI.G (Tournament Host Financial Responsibility and reimbursement
Insert the following wording: "PSCFA will provide \$300 to the Host School for expenses incurred" **Passed**
- C. Amend III.E. (Tournament Entry and Procedures for Championship Tournaments
Add subpoint 11: For Championship Tournaments where there are no limitations on entries, the following shall apply:
1. Fees will be assessed as of The Wednesday following the entry deadline
 2. A \$5 add fee will be applied to all late entries (which are accepted at the Tournament Director's discretion) for a school between the Monday deadline and the Wednesday deadline (\$10 for debate)
 3. Adds after the Wednesday deadline will be at the discretion of the Tournament Director and will be \$10 (\$20 for Debate)
 4. There will be a drop fee of \$5 for any drop after the Wednesday deadline until 30 minutes before the first round of competition (If not reported, it will remain as a no show)
 5. Changes from a school from one person to another in the same pattern will not be construed as an add for these purposes. Changes from one event to another in the same pattern will not be construed as an add (however, the drop fee will apply)
- Passed**

IV. New Items and Tournament Planning report

- A. There was a long discussion surrounding the possibilities of returning to a three preliminary round schedule for I.E.'s. Time and room constraints were major issues discussed. Motion to continue current format (passed at least year's meeting for one year) for Fall Champs. **Passed**

Motion to continue current format for Spring Champs. **Passed**

A committee will be formed to examine other schedules. Recommendations will be presented at the Spring Coaches meeting.

B. Change the start time for Saturday of the Warm-Up to 10:00 **Passed**

C. Add NFA-LD to Cool-Off opposite Parlie. **Passed**

D. Increase threshold for festival finals to 31. **Passed**

E. Eliminate Octofinals in Senior Parli and move the Final Round of Senior Parlie to opposite the Awards ceremony or ASAP. **Failed** (Substitute Motion to move to 2 elim's in Open Parlie also failed)

F. Debate Breaks: Only winning records (4-2 or 3-1) shall advance. In Novice and Junior, enough 3-3 or 2-2 records shall be pulled up to complete the next bracket divisible by 4 without violating the 50% rule (e.g. if there are 21 teams with a winning record, 3 additional teams will be pulled up, however, if there are 20 teams with a winning record, the bracket will be considered complete and no additional teams will be pulled up). **Passed**

G. The PSCFA President shall be an ex-officio member of the tabroom. The President will be present at league tournaments, and be available to the Director of Judges as a back-up judge for any round that has a shortage. **Passed**

H. PSCFA will subscribe to Vimeo and solicit an administrator who will manage an archive of demonstration performances and set parameters for submission and screen for appropriateness and quality. (Matt Grissat will run it). **Passed**

I. Impromptu Rule Change: add "blank index card." **Passed**

J. Rank to 6 in Finals in IE's. **Passed**

K. Judges may not tie on speaker points in any events. **Passed**

L. Change the breaking system for I.E.'s

3. Breakers

- a) From preliminary rounds to elimination rounds (listed in order of priority)
- 1) Total Ranks
 - 2) Ratings, at the discretion of the tournament director

b) Awards

- 1) Single Panel Final Rounds (listed in order of priority)
 - a) Rank in final round
 - b) Judges' preference in final round
 - c) Total rank in the event
 - d) The number of firsts in the event.
 - e) Decimal Conversion in final round (Senior division only)
 - f) Rating Points in Finals (Senior Division only)
 - g) Rating Points in Prelims (Senior Division Only)

- 2) For two panel final rounds
 - a) Rank in final round
 - b) Total ranks in all rounds
 - c) The number of firsts in the event.

- 4) In all Individual Events finals
Judges will rank speakers from 1st to 5th, with all speakers after 5th also receiving a rank of 5.

~~5) Open Persuasion Finals at Spring Championships.~~

~~If entries warrant that more than 7 students advance to finals, students will compete in a semifinal round during final rounds of pattern A. The final round of open persuasion will occur on Sunday at a time selected~~

by the Tournament Director — **Passed**

V. Assessment

Mike Marse presented some comments about videotaping. Further action was tabled pending an examination of the possible legal consequences

Meeting was adjourned

TO: Members of PSCFA

FROM: Stephanie Fleming, Executive Secretary

RE: Minutes from Fall Coaches Conference, September 9-11, 2011.

- I. Introductions: The meeting was held at the Rancho Las Palmas Resort in Rancho Mirage, CA. PSCFA President Mike Marse called the meeting to order.
- II. The Financial Report was presented and approved. The organization continues to lose money. Several factors including the increase in pay for hired judges without increases fees and the cost of Scholar's plaques has contributed to a loss of revenue.
- III. Proposals were presented by Stephanie Fleming from the Finance and Administration Committee:
 - A. Change section V, sub point D in special awards.

From: "Awards will be presented at Spring Championships. The cost of the plaque (\$15) shall be included in the fees for the School."

To: "Awards will be presented at Spring Championships. Students may receive a certificate or plaque. The total cost of the plaque shall be included in the fees for the school. The price of the plaque will be announced in the tournament invitation for Spring Champs. If schools do not wish to pay for the plaques, the students from that school may choose to receive certificates at no cost. When nominating students for the award, the school must indicate if their students would like to receive certificates or plaques." **Passed**

- B. Strike "\$600 for Warm-Up" from section VI: Responsibilities of the Tournament Host, sub point E. This change will eliminate wellness for judges and coaches at the Warm Up. **Passed**
- C. Change section II. FEES, sub point A2.

From:

2. Fall/Spring Champs \$10.00 for 1-5 students
(Snacks for students) \$15.00 for 6-10 students
(As of Tuesday, 6 P.M.) \$20.00 for 11+ students

To:

2. Fall/Spring Champs Wellness:
\$10.00 for 1-5 students, \$15.00 for 6-10 students, \$20.00 for 11-15 students,
\$25.00 for 16-20 students, \$30.00 for 21-25 students, \$35.00 for 26-30 students,
\$40.00 for 31-35 students, \$45.00 for 36-40 students, \$50.00 for 41-45 students
\$55.00 for 46-50 students, \$60.00 for 51-55 students, \$65.00 for 56-60 students
\$70.00 for 61-65 students, \$75.00 for 66-70 students, \$80.00 for 71-75 students
\$85.00 for 76-80 students, \$90.00 for 81-85 students, \$95.00 for 86-90 students
\$100.00 for 91-96 students, \$105.00 for 97-100 students **Passed**

D. Change Section II: Fees, sub point A3-8

From:

3. Individual Events \$6.00 per entry slot
4. Duo Interpretation \$12.00 per team
5. LD Debate \$10.00
6. Team Debate \$20.00
7. Readers Theater \$20.00
8. Rookie Debate \$20.00

To:

3. Individual Events \$7.00 per entry slot
4. Duo Interpretation \$14.00 per team
5. LD Debate \$11.00
6. Team Debate \$22.00
7. Readers Theater \$22.00
8. Rookie Debate \$22.00

Passed

E. Change Section II: Fees, sub point C2

From:

2. Student No-Show fees

“\$10 per individual event slot, \$20.00 per debate or Readers Theater entry will be assessed. “

To:

“20 per individual event slot, \$40 per debate or Readers Theater entry will be assessed.”

Passed

F. Eliminate the phrase “The winner of the event will receive a \$100 scholarship at the Fall and Spring Championships (not at the WarmUp or Cool-Off)” from the event description for Cultural Artifact. **Passed**

G. The following proposal with a friendly amendment made by Gary Rybold to eliminate the sentence that is crossed out and a second friendly amendment by Jeff Archibald that is in italics.

Change Section II: Fees, sub point B

From:

B. Judging Fees

1. Individual Events

\$12.00 per uncovered individual event slot.

2. Debate and Readers Theater

There are no judging fees for Readers Theater and Debate. Schools must bring sufficient judges to cover their commitment or they cannot enter. Exception: Each school is responsible for providing at least one judge to cover their first two debate or Readers Theater entries, and may, at the discretion of the Tournament Director, and based on the availability of judges for hire, pay \$75 if approved by the Tournament Director and \$100 if unapproved by the Tournament Director .

To:

B. Judging Fees

1. Individual Events

\$14.00 per uncovered individual event slot.

2. Debate and Readers Theater

\$ 25.00 for NFA-LD and \$75.00 for Readers Theater and Debate. Schools may only have uncovered NFA-LD, Readers Theater or Debate entries with Tournament Director Approval. ~~If unapproved by the Tournament Director, the fee for NFA-LD will be \$50.00 and the \$100.00 for Readers Theater and Debate.~~ *If a team or NFA LD speaker becomes uncovered after the Wednesday deadline, it becomes the Tournament Director's discretion to either drop the team or charge a fee of \$50 for NFA LD and \$100 for Reader's Theater and Debate.* **Passed**

- H. The creation of a committee, with volunteer members appointed by the president that will explore the financial options of donations and sponsorship for PSCFA. **Passed**
Danny Cantrell volunteered to chair the committee.

IV. Proposals were presented by Liana Koeppel from the New Ideas Committee:

- A. The first proposal had not been recommended by committee because the committee ran out of time and did not discuss the issue. The proposal's author, Gary Rybold, was given the opportunity to make the motion from the floor. The discussion on the proposal, to add Parli LD to Fall and Spring Champs, was suspended until after the proposed schedule change was discussed.
"PSCFA will adopt Parli LD as an experimental event for one year. Parli LD will only be offered after all sweepstakes eligible events have been assigned the available rooms. If necessary, the Tournament Director will follow waitlist and limited entry procedures. Event will not count toward sweepstakes as mandated by PSCFA policy regarding experimental events." **Passed**
- B. In the PSCFA By-Laws, Section 9, Fall Meetings, the words from "The schedule would be as follows" - through the entire schedule ending with "Voting Business Meeting" should be struck. As a replacement, the By-Laws should include:
"The Vice-President shall solicit bids for the annual coaches conference, which would include the length, schedule, and general structure of the conference. Those bids shall be presented at the spring coach's meeting, and one will be selected by the coaches present by a vote." **Failed**
- C. To change the schedule for the 2012 Coaches Conference from 3 days to 1 day. **Failed**
- D. Presidents shall be able to make time adjustments within each day as deemed necessary. **Passed**

- E. Add the following to the list of Host Responsibilities:
“The Tournament Host of any league tournament should keep all unclaimed ballots for two weeks after the end of the tournament, in order that the school that did not pick up their ballots can make arrangements at their own expense to collect the ballots.” **Passed**
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 - 4:00 – 4:45 NPDA Rd 2
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 - 5:15 – 6:00 NPDA Rd 3
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 - 6:30 – 7:15 NPDA Rd 4
 - 7:30 Rookie Awards
- Saturday
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 - 9:00 - 9:45 NFA LD Rd 2
 - 10:00 – 10:45 NFA LD Rd 3
 - 11:00 Topic Announce for Rd 5
 - 11:20 – 12:05 NPDA Rd 5
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To:

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Rookie Parli Round I

2:00 NFA-LD Round II

Rookie Parli Round II

3:00 NFA-LD Round III

Rookie Parli Round III

4:00 NFA-LD Round IV

Rookie Parli Round IV

5:30 NFA-LD Bronze Round

6:30 NFA-LD Gold Round

Note: Rounds 3 & 4 will be lag power matched.

Saturday:

8:15am - Check-in

8:30am - Topic Announce for Rounds 1 & 2

9:15am – NPDA Round 1

10:30am – NPDA Round 2

12:00pm – NPDA Round 3

1:30pm – NPDA Round 4

3:30pm – NPDA Bronze Round for Nov. & Jr., Octos for Sr.

5:00pm - NPDA Gold/Silver Round for Nov. & Jr., Quarters for Sr.

6:30pm – Awards & NPDA Semis for Sr.

8:00pm – NPDA Finals for Senior

Sunday:

8:00 – 8:45 IE Drop Period

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9:00 – 10:15 Pattern A Rd 1 □ 11 □

10:30 – 11:45 Pattern B Rd 1

11:45 Extemp Draw

12:00 – 1:15 Pattern A Rd 2

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There was discussion concerning NPTE points. **Passed**

- G. A proposal presented at the committee meeting was not recommended but did lead to the a proposal from the floor to add language to FRED.

Original proposal:

As the coaches of PSCFA, we would like to discourage the use of the word "kid" or "kids" when referring to the students on our teams. While there is no specific item in the handbook of PSCFA referring to this issue, we believe that as a "best practice" this particular rhetorical term should not be used in that context.

- H. Proposal for wording to be added to FRED:
Judges are encouraged to utilize respectful language when referring to students on ballots. **Passed**

V. Announcements/Discussion

- A. Karen Nishie presented a report from the discussion panel that addressed how to deal with problematic student behavior. Several suggestions were listed and Karen will email the list of suggestions to the community.
- B. Amy Jung presented a list of ideas from the discussion panel that addressed less expensive alternatives for trophies. She listed several alternatives, including certificates, and explained that we should discuss the use of these alternatives with our students.
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A discussion developed addressing concerns over copyright law and posting oral interpretation performances. Specifically, a concern that AFA and NFA do not videotape interp events. Matt explained that the law allows for the use of videos for educational purposes.

A proposal was made to "Remove all interpretation event performances from the PSCFA website and vimeo until a committee created by the President can make a recommendation at the 2012 PSCFA Coaches Conference." **Passed**

Karen Nishie suggested that we should express our gratitude for the work done by Matt Grisat.

- D. Danny Cantrell made a proposal from the floor:
To strike the sentence "All individual event ballots come in three colors: White=Senior Division, Pink=Junior Division, and Blue= Novice and Rookie Division. Appropriate Debate and Readers Theater ballots that have been approved by PSCFA shall be used." **Passed**
- E. An announcement was made that the tournament calendar is available on the website. Any changes or corrections should be emailed to the Executive Secretary immediately. Gary Rybold announced that the November 11 IVC tournament has been cancelled.

- F. An announcement was made that officer contact info is available on the PSCFA website. If members want a message sent to the PSCFA community, they can send the email to the Executive Secretary and the Secretary will forward the email.
- G. Jim Wyman was thanked for hosting the Conference. Mike Marse was thanked for organizing the Conference.

Meeting was adjourned.

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From: Jim Wyman
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Respectfully submitted,
James L. Wyman, Executive Secretary, PSCFA

May 13, 2002

Dear Forensics Friends:

PSCFA is pleased to invite you to our **Coaches' Conference** in San Diego September 6-8, 2002. Our conference will begin at 4pm on Friday and will conclude by noon on Sunday.

We will sleep and meet at the Holiday Inn Mission Bay/Sea World. Complete hotel details are on the following page. Please note that **the block of rooms will be held until August 6th**, so please make your reservations soon.

We hope you will find this conference an opportunity to:

- Bring invitations with you for your 2001-2002 tournaments
- Introduce your new coaches and judges to their new colleagues
- Share ideas for improving the quality of forensics competition & tournament management

Some topics that have been suggested for this year's conference meetings include a new ballot design for PSCFA, re-instatement of a revised PSCFA Judging Handbook, a redistribution of PSCFA officer responsibilities, and creating a unified two- and four-year State tournament. As always, you are encouraged to bring your ideas and concerns to the meetings, as well. Of course, **it is vital that the primary discussion of issues be conducted during the Saturday sessions as not to unnecessarily prolong the Sunday meeting, and to ensure that all concerns can be heard and digested well before we vote to make changes.**

This year's Friday roundtable discussion will address 1-2 issues with consequences to our entire Southern California forensics community. Some topic suggestions have been made, and additional ideas are welcome. Additional topic ideas should be submitted to Lieselott@aol.com by June 1, 2002. After that time, we will announce the topic(s) so that you might prepare something to share with the group on Friday.

Several San Diego-area schools, in conjunction with your PSCFA executive committee, will host a reception for coaches on Saturday night at the hotel from 7-10pm. We hope you can will join us for that, as well.

If I can be of any assistance to you as you make plans to attend, please call or email me. Don't forget that a lot of information is available to you at our web site: pscfa.org. In the mean time, enjoy your well-deserved summer!

Sincerely,

Liesel

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Lieselott@aol.com
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PSCFA Fall Coaches' Conference 2002 Schedule:

Friday, Sept. 6, 2002

- 3:00-4:00 Check-in
- 4:00-6:30 Roundtable Discussion - *All meetings will be in the Aztec Rooms.*
- 7:30pm Casual, optional dinner at a local restaurant TBA

Saturday, September 7, 2002

- 9-10 General meeting
- 10:30-12 PSCFA Tournament Management *or* Budget and Handbook
- 12:00-1:30 Lunch Break
- 1:30-3:30 Discussion groups: Debate *or* Individual Events
- 3:30-5:00 Break Out Meetings, as needed
- 5:00-7:00 Dinner Break
- 7-10:00pm Reception, Holiday Inn Conference Room

Sunday, September 8th, 2002

- 9:00-11:30 PSCFA Business Meeting

Hotel Information:

Holiday Inn Mission Bay/Sea World

3737 Sports Arena Blvd.

San Diego, CA 92110

<http://www.holidayinn-mb.com>

\$79 for a room with two double beds.

Please call (619) 881-6100 for reservations & mention *PSCFA Conference*. The block expires on August 6th.

From the North: I-5 South, exit Rosecrans St. Turn right on Sports Arena Blvd. (3rd light). Hotel is located on the left side of the street just past Kemper St.

From the South: I-5 North to I-8 West. Exit Sports Arena Blvd. Turn left at intersection, then left onto Sports Arena Blvd. Hotel is located on the right side of the street.

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Thanks to Skip Rutledge for his help with the hotel accommodations!

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To: Members of PSCFA

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President=s Report:

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- Liesel encouraged more schools to volunteer to host or help at PSCFA tournaments

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- Matt Taylor from CSU Long Beach was elected Vice-President

New Business:

- The Organization voted to hold the Fall Coaches Retreat at the Marriott Rancho Las Palmas in Rancho Mirage September 5-7
- For the Warm-Up, the Organization voted to have two judges in each panel of Senior Division Individual Events on a one year trial basis. Judging commitment formula for Senior entries will be changed to reflect this increase. If an event is collapsed, Junior entries will not be affected by the formula. Having four judges (two per round for two rounds) will make this tournament AFA eligible.
- The Organization voted to end any requirement of "hard copy" mailings for PSCFA business.
- The Organization voted to donate leftover trophies from the 2003 Cool-Off to the Urban Debate League
- The Organization voted to offer a form of Parliamentary Lincoln/Douglas at the Warm-Up. The form and format will be at the discretion of the Tournament Director. The Organization will explore the possibility of offering Parliamentary Lincoln/Douglas at other PSCFA tournaments at the Fall Coaches Retreat

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