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The meeting of the national officers began at 11:00 AM on January 16th.

All members were present, except for Roland Burdett, who was unable to attend.

Arrangements have been made with the trophy manufacturer to incorporate the names of Jim Lyness and Eleanor Wright on the Grand National Tournament awards named in their honor.

The new registration process that was employed last year – with separate diocesan registration packets sent to Dick Gaudette and Roland Burdett – worked smoothly and efficiently, and will be implemented again this year.

The feedback from diocesan directors re the changes in the extemp. topic areas for 2003 was positive, therefore the same ones will be used again in 2004. They are: US Political Issues Science and Technology US Economic Issues Religion and Philosophy US Social & Cultural Issues Terrorism & Peacekeeping International Affairs Business and Finance Human Rights

The NCFL By-Laws were updated to reflect the September 2003 changes made in the rules governing the speech events which have already been incorporated in the revised master ballots and critique sheets. These By-Laws updates will be placed on the NCFL website as soon as possible.

Roland Burdett will use the By-Laws updates above to revise the Protest Committee Matrix that was established last year.

A bid to host the 2007 Grand National Tournament was submitted to the Executive Council by the Diocese of Orlando/St Augustine. The Executive Council reviewed the bid, and forwarded several questions and suggestions. The Diocese of Orlando/St Augustine will make a presentation to the diocesan directors at our spring meeting in Boston in May.

Respectfully Submitted,

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