



NCFL Winter Meeting, January 30, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Kieran Larkin on Friday, January 30 at 9:00am. In attendance were Roland Burdett, Kieran Larkin, Catherine Luhr and Greg Cunningham, Mike Colletti, and Charles Sloat.

1. Quotas for the upcoming year are as follows:

Diocese	State	Quota
Albany	NY	3
Albuquerque/Santa Fe	NM	()
Allentown	PA	3
Altoona-Johnstown	PA	5
Arlington	VA	6
Atlanta	GA	3
Austin	TX	4 Entries
Baltimore	MD	6
Beaumont	TX	2
Biloxi	MS	6
Boston	MA	6
Brooklyn-Queens	NY	6
Buffalo	NY	3
Camden	NJ	2
Charleston	SC	1 Entries
Charlotte	NC	2
Chicago	IL	6
Cleveland	OH	4
Detroit	MI	4
Erie	PA	3
Green Bay	WI	4
Harrisburg	PA	2
Houston-Galveston	TX	6
Indianapolis	IN	6
Jackson	MS	5
Kansas City	KS	5
Kansas City-St. Joseph	MO	5
LaCrosse	WI	2

Lafayette	LA	6
Lincoln	NE	2
Little Rock	AR	1 Entry
Los Angeles	CA	1 Entry
Louisville	KY	6
Miami	FL	6
Milwaukee	WI	5
New Orleans	LA	4
New York	NY	6
Newark	NJ	6
Ogdensburg	NY	2
Omaha	NE	4
Orlando	FL	6
Palm Beach	FL	6
Paterson	NJ	2
Philadelphia	PA	6
Phoenix	AZ	2
Pittsburgh	PA	4
Portland	ME	3
Raleigh	NC	4
Richmond	VA	4
Rochester	NY	2
Rockville Centre	NY	5
Sacramento	CA	4
Salina	KS	6
Salt Lake City	UT	2
San Jose	CA	6
Savannah	GA	1 Entry
Scranton	PA	4
Seattle	WA	2
Spokane	WA	4 Entries
St. Augustine	FL	3 Entries
St. Petersburg-Tampa	FL	6
Tucson	AZ	1 Entry
Washington	DC	4
Wheeling-Charleston	WV	2
Wichita	KS	4
Winona	MN	4
Worcester	MA	5

2. The list of fines was discussed and reviewed. The updated fine list as of Feb 26, 2009 is as follows:

Diocese	School	Judge Name	Type	Fine
Albany	Shaker	Julie Harley	LD	600
Altoona-Johnstown	Somerset Area HS	Steve Landis	Speech	50
Atlanta	Cairo	Jenny Drew	Policy	600
Atlanta	Cairo	Hank Smith	Policy	600
Atlanta	Cairo	Heather Smith	Policy	600
Baltimore	Wilde Lake	McGrain	Speech	600
Baltimore	Baltimore City College	Rose Steck	Policy	50
Biloxi	Gulfport	Kim Ballard	PF	400
Boston	Silver Lake	Fallon	Speech	50
Boston	South Shore Charter	Tara Turner	PF	50
Brooklyn	Paul Robeson HS	Chad Samuels	Policy	600
Cleveland	Cardinal Mooney	Wolk	Speech	50
Detroit	Brother Rice	Bruce Major	Policy	50
Jackson	St. Andrews	Stephen Evans	Policy	50
Kansas City	Emporia	Scott Bonnett	Policy	50
Kansas City		Jane Rinehart	Policy	200
Lafayette	Catholic High New Iberia	Jennifer Delcanbre	LD	50
Lafayette	Acadiana HS	Harman	Speech	50
Louisville	Fern Creek	Lynn Grise	LD	100
Louisville	Fern Creek	Colleen Musinski	LD	50
Louisville	Scott County	Lucinda Ward	Policy	50
Miami	Christopher Columbus HS	Randall Martinez	LD	50
Milwaukee	Appleton East	Newland	Speech	50
Milwaukee	Appleton East	Van Grinsven	Speech	600
New York	Regis HS	Derks	Speech	50
New York	Bronx Science		Speech	50
Newark	Ridge HS	McNamara	Speech	50
Newark	Ridge HS	Craven	Speech	50
Newark	Ridge HS	Jason Wood	PF	50
Newark	Ridge HS	Joe Deaux	PF	50
Ogdensburg	Potsdam Central	Daniel Jenack	PF	400
Omaha	South West Club	Dana Christensen	Policy	50
Omaha	South West Club	Josh Wilcox	Policy	50
Patterson	DePauw Catholic HS	Oresta Ferrito	Speech	50
Patterson	Delbarton	John Kuhner	PF	50
Pittsburgh	Upper St. Claire	David Watson	PF	50
Portland	Cape Elizabeth	Matt Clements	Policy	50
Portland	Scarborough HS	Gerald Herbert	Congress	600

Richmond	Governor's School/Gifted	Matt Kiehl	Policy	100
Rockville Centre	Syosset HS	Martin Rogoff	PF	50
Salina	Rossville HS	Kaleb Little	Speech	50
Salt Lake City	Juan Diego	Mary McConnell	LD	50
Salt Lake City	Highland HS	JR Maycock	Policy	50
Salt Lake City	Juan Diego	Abigail Treybig	PF	50
San Jose	Bellarmino College Prep	Jones	Speech	50
Scranton		Fike	Speech	50
Seattle	Eastside Catholic	James Wiegel	LD	50
St. Petersburg	Berkely Prep	Mike Speer	Policy	50
St. Petersburg	Lakewood	Carol Marger	PF	50
Wichita	McPherson HS	Melissa Newton	Speech	50
Winona	St. Louis Park	Becca Miner	LD	50
Winona	Mankato West	Mike Priem	Policy	50
Winona	Eagan HS	Mary Peterson	PF	50
		(originally registered		
		as Bridget Baron)		

3. There was some discussion about reviewing procedures and forms for league registration, Mike Colletti is working on an update to the Forms and a checklist to make processing easier for next year.
4. We reviewed and considered recommendations from the Extemp committee. We appreciate their effort and support. Several suggestions were reviewed, and follow-up actions have been identified. We will continue the practice in Extemp to continue to randomly select topic areas for each round, but to also continue to ensure there is a mix of domestic and foreign topics on both Saturday and Sunday. The Extemp Topic Areas for NCFL 2009 in Albany have been posted to the website and are as follows:
 - Americas (non-US)
 - Europe / Asia
 - Africa
 - US State Department
 - Agriculture / Interior / Energy
 - Education / Health & Human Services / Housing & Urban Development
 - Labor / Treasury / Commerce
 - Justice Department & Attorney General
 - Homeland Security
5. Alicia Slavis and Sarah Donnelly updated the board on the status of 2009 Albany Nationals. Information for Albany Nationals is posted on <http://www.albanynationals.org>. The Competition sites for NCFL 2009 in Albany have been posted to the website and are as follows:

- L-D Debate: Saturday at Albany Academy (East & West), Sunday at Albany Academy (East)
 - Policy Debate: Saturday at Colonie HS, Sunday at Albany Academy (West);
 - PF Debate: Saturday at Shaker Junior HS, Sunday at Albany Academy (West);
 - Student Congress: Saturday at Crowne Plaza Hotel, Sunday at Albany Court House;
 - Extemp, Duo, DP: Saturday at Albany HS, Sunday at Empire Plaza Complex;
 - DEC, OO, OI: Saturday at Shaker Senior HS, Sunday AM at Crowne Plaza, Sunday PM at Empire Plaza Complex;
 - Saturday Night postings at Crowne Plaza and online;
 - Sunday Awards at Empire Plaza Convention Hall.
6. Thank you to the numerous moderators who suggested PFD and LD Topics for the National Tournament. Each topic was discussed; the final topic for LD will be released approximately March 24th and for PFD on approximately April 10th.
 7. There was a discussion about Tabroom assignments for officers. Roland Burdett will send out a set of assignments for officers based on the locations discussed with Alicia and Sarah.
 8. The draft contract for the Events Planner was presented and reviewed and finalized by the League Officers. It was given to Sarah Donnelly for final review and signature.
 9. While many leagues have expressed interest in hosting nationals, especially with the Events Coordinator to help with the process, no formal bids were submitted for review. The next open year is 2013. According to our revised bid process, bids for that year can be submitted now.
 10. We reviewed the process for the Richard Gaudette Service award. Catherine Luhr said that she has received nominations for 2009 candidates.
 11. The draft procedures for computer use in Extemp Prep were reviewed and finalized. Thanks to all groups that implemented some of the early drafts and made comments and suggestions. The final approved version will be posted on NCFL.org.
(Please note the procedures on the next page are meant only as a guide. Check NCFL.org for the actual posted rules)

National Catholic Forensics League
Rules for Computer Use in Extemporaneous Speaking Preparation
For the 2009 NCFL Grand National Tournament in Albany, NY

1. There is no use of power plugs in the Extemp Prep Room allowed at all, at any time. The only power for a computer inside the Prep Room is to be from batteries.
2. No connectivity from students' computers of any kind is allowed inside the Extemp Prep Room. For example: no internet, no IM'ing, no outside servers, no cell phone tethers, etc.
3. Students cannot use a computer to prepare speeches. They can use the computers to search and read, but cannot write speeches or organize their thoughts on the computers.
4. Students are prohibited from accessing outlines and speeches on the computer prepared prior to their draw time.
5. Any student using a computer must be prepared to show prep room or tournament staff what they are accessing at any time. Any student not providing tournament staff with the information they request may be disqualified.
6. There will be several extra Extemp Prep Room monitors. Students should be aware that they are subject to extensive monitoring of their computer use.
7. Students cannot access audio, video, or other multi-media files during preparation time.
8. Students cannot use their computers from the time they leave the Extemp Prep Room until they have completed their speech. Students may take their computers with them to their competition room, or to lunch, but cannot use the computers outside the Prep Room until after their speech is completed. Any student using the computer in the hallways or classrooms prior to their speech may be disqualified.
9. NCFL may put stickers and/or tape on computers to ensure they are not opened or used, or to ensure appropriate owners take their own machines.
10. NCFL does not assume any liability for the computers. Students are welcome to use Kensington Locks or other such devices to secure their computers in the Prep Room. Students, Parents, and Coaches should be aware that the students are bringing and using the computers at their own risk. The NCFL is not responsible for lost, stolen, or broken computers.