



Executive Board Meeting of the North Carolina Junior Classical League

May 18, 2019 @ Queen's Grant High School

11:00 AM

Officers in attendance: Katherine Buchanan, Nolan Heinrich, Aislinn Niimi, Brennan

Latham, Harper de Andrade (Via Skype), Jillian Slade, Kyle Nohren, Anna Trejo,

Graham Curtis (Via Skype)

Officers absent: Brice Niimi

Sponsors present: Bennett Henkel, Danetta Genung (Via Skype), Edlyn Niimi

- I. Call to Order – Aislinn Niimi @ 11:12 am
- II. Reading of Minutes from March 2nd meeting
 - a. Motion to skip reading passed
- III. Swearing in of Torch Editor, Anna Trejo
- IV. Financial Report – Charles McCants
 - a. We are still going through the process so there are no specific numbers, but NCJCL is still in good shape

- i. convention brought in around \$12,000; excluding Lakewood, STMA, Thales Apex, and St. David's because of issues with checks either not arriving or not being able to check them in

- 1. We will get the costs back from purchasing the bus

- a. Arizona and New Jersey will be riding with us

- i. It will be a full bus, but it will be cheaper for everyone

V. Officer Goals for the 2019-2020 Board

- a. President – Aislinn Niimi

- i. Aislinn plans to communicate with presidents of their local chapters by sending recap emails

- 1. These emails will keep all officers and presidents updated on upcoming dates, important decisions, etc.

- a. She plans to begin sending them in the fall when the chapters have elected their presidents

- b. 1st Vice President – Graham Curtis

- i. Graham plans to fulfill duties by:

- 1. Increasing the NCJCL Presence with Technology Coordinator and the Publicity Officer by sending out brochures and make and use an organized system

- 2. He wants to actually follow through with recruiting new chapters by going around to meet schools that have Latin but no JCL

- c. 2nd Vice President – Brennan Latham
 - i. Brennan is most interested in participating in community service
 - ii. He plans to actually do community service this year, as last year NCJCL didn't do enough, according to him
 - iii. Brennan's main idea to promote JCL is to adopt a highway
 - 1. This would easily allow people to see JCL
 - iv. He wants to make all of the Community projects accessible for all the chapters
- d. Parliamentarian – Katherine Buchanan
 - i. Katherine plans to look over and make necessary changes to the constitution and bylaws
 - ii. She also will ensure that everything runs smooth during the election
 - iii. Lastly, she wants to make a change to the competition handbook
 - 1. Many people have come to Katherine to try to make group projects a graphic arts competition
 - a. Currently, group projects get penalized for working for multiple people
 - 2. As the past Publicity Officer, she wants to work with the current Publicity Officer to get more people to enter into the publicity contest
 - a. Last year, only 2 people entered a publicity form
- e. Secretary – Nolan Heinrich

- i. Nolan plans to take good notes at meetings
 - 1. He will make sure to finalize and send the notes within one week of the respective board meeting
- f. Torch Editor – Anna Trejo
 - i. Anna plans to send important info to members through both paper and digital copies of the torch
 - 1. Anna’s main idea to add to the Torch is to a “Best of Show” section on the Torch
 - a. She wants to put art projects from delegates into the Torch
 - i. Anna wants to use paper paper as the main medium, but she will upload a digital copy
 - 1. Katherine will send out poll for if the NC Delegates prefer paper or digital copies of the Torch
 - a. In a few weeks, Anna will send an email requesting officer bios to put in the Fall Forum edition of the Torch
- g. Historian – Harper de Andrade
 - i. Harper plans to increase local scrapbooks interest and participation
 - 1. He wants to get more student artwork from the delegates to put into the state scrapbook

- a. He wants to make the scrapbook have a relevant and well thought out overarching theme
 - i. He believes that the box is most important part as it leaves a first impression, so he wants to focus a lot on the container
 - 1. As past Parliamentarian, Harper tied up loose ends
 - a. The constitutional amendments were never sent out to anyone, so the board was never able to vote on them
 - i. The amendments, therefore, will be sent out on August 15

h. Technology Coordinator – Kyle Nohren

- i. Kyle's main goal for his term of office is to make communication his number one priority
 - 1. He wants to use the Officer's phone numbers as a quick way for communication between the board
 - a. He plans to utilize social media and the website for recruiting new members
 - i. We discussed potentially starting a photo of the month contest to increase NCJCL participation

1. The Officers will eventually record themselves saying their officer goals and officers bios to put into the highlights of the OfficialNCJCL instagram

i. Publicity Officer – Brice Niimi

- i. Brice wants increase participation in the publicity contest through the advertisement on social media and the website

1. He also plans to submit the proclamation on time

j. Middle School Representative – Jillian Slade

- i. Jillian plans to keep middle school chapters involved and reach out to Middle Schools that have Latin but not a JCL chapter with the list of Middle School schools with Latin

1. Anna has an updated copy of Aislinn’s list, and she will send it to Jillian

VI. Coordinator Reports

a. Certamen – Bennet Henkel for Travis King

- i. no official report, but summary:

1. Magister King had mentioned moving the pop culture question from the very last question to somewhere in the middle of the round

- a. He had noticed that too many of the final rounds came down to the pop culture question, and his philosophy is that

the winner shouldn't be decided because of a challenge or a super easy question

b. State Convention – Danetta Genung

- i. Magistra Genung is still working on the budget
- ii. The price, including the meal voucher, was around \$7000
 1. But we got paid back for food vouchers, making the estimated total cost around \$4500
- iii. There was an issue about some chapters getting their omni awards
- iv. There were not many issues with venues
 1. But, Graham pointed out that the service project kept getting moved
- v. The board agreed that we should keep the swimming event, even though Middle School and High School had to get merged
- vi. Magistra Genung asked that she could move the registration deadline a week up
 1. the board agreed, so the deadline will be moved up a week
- vii. The board agreed that having Certamen before General Assembly was a good call
- viii. The board agreed that the seminars should not be scheduled during testings
 1. For the people who saw the skits and went to the seminars, they all liked them

- a. But, many schools require their students to test, so most delegates weren't able to attend them
 - i. Next year, we will make sure not to schedule anything important during the Academic Testing
- ix. Mr. Henkel thought that blocking off rooms in a hotel went well and plans to do it again next year
- x. At State Convention, the Classics Chair from ECU attended, and she had asked if NCJCL was willing to have convention at ECU at some point in the future
 - 1. The board agreed that this could be a viable option considering that it is only about an hour and a half from Raleigh
 - a. At state convention this year, Kyle pointed out, we will want to make better maps for the campus and buildings; Tribble specifically
- c. Fall Forum – Melissa Lido
 - i. Magistra Lido reserved Fall Forum at UNCG for November 9th
 - ii. She reserved the EUC and the Cone Ball Room if it rains
 - iii. She plans to have UNCG run about the same as last year
- d. State Chair/Membership – Bennet Henkel
 - i. The Gallant Griffons Issue
 - 1. They could theoretically join as a Member At Large

a. But, there would be almost no way for them to do most of the contests

2. NCJCL agrees that they should be allowed to be part of NCJCL as they meet all of the requirements

a. We keep it on the down low so that it does not become a major issue

i. The proposed national amendment might disallow this, but nothing is official about the change

VII. Voting on Adult Board Members

a. Katherine Nominates Mr. Henkel

i. Kyle firsts the motion to make Mr. Henkel the State Chair, Jillian seconds the motion

1. Mr. Henkel is re-elected as State Chair of the NCJCL

VIII. Nationals

a. Travel

i. 27 delegates (as of 5/18/19) from NC are attending Nationals

1. We will be in a bus leaving from Minneapolis, Minnesota at Noon on July 25 with Arizona and New Jersey

b. Voting on packets for male and female chaperones

i. Mr. Henkel and Magister King will be the Male Chaperones

ii. Ms. Madden and Magistra Genung will be the Female Chaperones

1. Mrs. Winger and Mrs. Hernandez will be female chaperones, but they will be paying for themselves

IX. Future Dates

a. Board Meetings

- i. September 21 @ UNCG
- ii. January 11 @ (Tentatively) Thales Rolesville
- iii. March 21 or March 7 or February 29? @ TBD

b. Fall Forum

- i. November 9, 2019 @ UNCG

c. Certamen Qualifiers

- i. March 7, 2020 @ UNCG

d. State Convention

- i. April 3 and 4? @ WFU

X. Adjournment – Aislinn Niimi @ 1:04 pm

XI. Spirit Planning

- a. Student officers, please stay behind after the end of the official meeting to plan for spirit at National Convention. Adults are welcome to stay but not required.

b. **Saturday: You Betcha it's State T-Shirt Day**

- i. Yellow t-shirt with a bee and a dogwood tree (state symbols) and the convention theme

- ii. Krispy Kreme hats
- iii. Signs with "1st in" (e.g. "1st in Spirit" or "1st in Flight")

c. Sunday: Planet of the Apes

- i. Black t-shirt with yellow "Planet of the Apes" monkey and "Veni vidi bambivi" (I came, I saw, I buzzed)
- ii. Bee headbands
- iii. Inflatable monkey

d. Monday: Violets are Purple, Honey is Gold

- i. Yellow or purple (?) t-shirt with honeycomb or beehive pattern and the words "Violets are Purple, Honey is Gold, Working for greatness through glories of old" (part of the JCL song)
- ii. Use purple leis for flower crowns

e. Tuesday: Day in Old Rome -- It's Poseidon's World

- i. No t-shirt, but everyone will bring a tropical/Aloha print shirt (we will be wearing togae this day)
- ii. Leis
- iii. Straw hat
- iv. Tropical inflatables