



Executive Board Meeting of the North Carolina Junior Classical League

September 18, 2022 @ Zoom

3:00 p.m.

NCJCL Officers in Attendance: Iris Henry, Nick Smemoe, Charles Miller, Eithan Ackerman, Caleb

Chapman, Emily Rillie, Shazad Singh, James Miller

Chairs in Attendance: Bennett Henkel, Phil Swanger, and Lee Harris

- I. Call to Order - Iris Henry - 3:04 p.m.
 - A. Reading of Minutes from June Meeting
 1. Motion to dispense of the reading of minutes stated by Emily Rillie and seconded by Lee Harris. Motion passed.
- II. Financial Report - Charles McCants (absent)
 - A. Mr. Henkel reports that finances are good.
- III. Officer Goals/Officer Reports
 - A. President - Iris Henry
 1. Outreach email with Nick Smemoe
 - a) Almost finished
 - (1) ID for new form
 - (2) Sending checks by email

(a) May not be able to change

2. Voting on Peeradise

a) Discuss later in meeting

3. Chapter presidents email list

a) Ask if they want to be part of an email list

b) Chapter presidents found on registration form

B. 1st Vice President - Nick Smemoe

1. Updated form with chapter registration and helped to draft the email.

2. Spoke with members at school about JCL, including the photo of the month contest and Torch.

C. 2nd Vice President - Charles Miller

1. Spirit Competition

a) Make prizes classically themed

(1) Potential prizes

(a) Julius Caesar Pencil Holder

(b) Pillow with Ancient Greece vases

(c) Flag with SPQR

(i) Around \$50 total for prizes

(2) Rubric for spirit

(a) Score out of 15

(b) Google sheets

(c) Officers would judge

D. Parliamentarian - Eithan Ackerman

1. Reflect from Nationals Parliamentarian Session

2. Read through bylaws
3. Adding a school limit
 - a) Proposed maximum of four students from one school for the state board
 - (1) Unless there is a state of emergency
 - b) Schools should allow more than one person to run before state of emergency is declared for different positions.
 - c) Increasing students before state of emergency is declared
 - (1) Currently, only one student per school can run for a position before a state of emergency is declared.
 - (2) Less than two running for office in a given position, then there would be a state of emergency.
 - (a) Chapter is allowed to have up to three individuals run
4. Need to make an amendment to allow two students within the same chapter to run for the same office before state of emergency is declared

E. Historian - Caleb Chapman

1. Started the state scrapbook for national convention photos
2. September photo of the month contest
3. Wants to get photos from the St. Timothy's School Certamen event for scrapbook

F. Communications Coordinator - Emily Rillie

1. Updated NCJCL website and Instagram in a timely manner, sharing information about upcoming events and the theme.

G. Torch Editor - Shazad Singh

1. Working on the Torch
2. Come out a couple of weeks before Fall Forum

3. Need bios from James and Iris

H. Middle School Representative - James Miller

1. Compiled a list of middle schools that teach Latin and don't have JCL
 - a) Wants to send an email out to them
2. Start a journal and keep in touch with other middle school chapters
 - a) Nick can help James with the membership email.
3. Middle School Representative Term Requirements
 - a) Want to change the bylaws to state that middle school officers should have to attend one Fall Forum instead of one State Convention before running for office.

IV. Coordinator Reports

A. Fall Forum Coordinator- Lee Harris

1. Back at UNCG
 - a) School of Education Building
 - b) Student-Led Breakout Sessions and Certamen
 - c) Mr. Swanger needs to know about Certamen information.
 - (1) Chapters need to register
 - (a) Double up on registration forms
2. Will the UNCG Classics Society have a classics day at Fall Forum?
 - a) Reach out on that
3. Chariots?
 - a) Riverside, NCSSM, and Thales Academy Apex have chariots.
 - b) Chariots?
 - (1) One drawback is injuries, insurance, and liability issues

(a) Would this get rid of chariot contest at convention?

c) Keep working as if chariot race will happen

d) Wants to know what chapter presidents want to learn in breakout sessions

B. Certamen Coordinator- Phil Swanger

1. St. Timothy's School Certamen Event

a) Included Raleigh area schools and schools that had never participated in Certamen

b) Wants to continue Certamen events early in the year

(1) Get students involved in JCL

c) St. Timothy's sponsor is happy to host every year in the future for this type of event- could be an annual event

(1) Schools in other areas could take this format on as well

2. Fall Forum

3. Novice and Middle School Distinction within Certamen

a) Teacher middle school vs. novice in terms of Certamen

(1) More than two teams that wanted to play

(2) Only two teams can make semifinals

(3) More participation is better than less

(4) Two divisions with the same questions

(5) Solution: Could have schools register as many teams as kids who want to play?

(a) Want to encourage sponsors to regrow their chapters

(i) Allow more kids to play

C. State Convention Coordinator- Travis King

1. Absent

D. State Chair/Membership- Bennett Henkel

1. Membership
 - a) Membership email sent to sponsors this week.
2. Mr. Henkel and Mr. Harris will put together membership and Fall Forum registration together.

V. Peeradise

A. Tutoring system for Latin students across North Carolina for students helping each other.

1. Gauge student interest from chapter presidents.
 - a) Most people may not take advantage of it or use it.
 - b) Send information to chapter presidents
2. Test it before it was sent out
 - a) See how it works for the first few months
3. Could we do zoom tutoring that is free instead of Peeradise?
 - a) Take longer to maintain it.
 - b) Peeradise benefit: Website allows students to have more control over their tutoring and do it themselves.
4. What levels?
 - a) All levels of Latin or could limit it to Latin I and Latin II.

VI. Fall Forum

A. Student board workshops

1. 1 Officer per workshop or multiple officers per workshop
 - a) Ex. Torch Editor and Historian team up
2. Usually relates to office

3. Officer workshops not about positions is not the most interesting
 - a) Charlie got more interest with his workshop that didn't have to do with position
4. Frequent state of emergencies should be addressed at the opening of Fall Forum.
5. One workshop about running for office generally.
 - a) Mention that we want people to run
6. Not only have officers do workshops based on positions.
7. Potential Seminars
 - a) Shazad and Caleb
 - (1) Seminar talking about lesser known philosophers, specifically Greco-Roman
 - b) Eithan
 - (1) Proto-Hellenic mythology
 - c) Nolan and Iris
 - (1) Running for office
 - d) Charlie and Nick
 - (1) Classical leaders that were given a bad reputation over time
 - (a) Nero
 - (b) Domitian
8. Sign up for seminars before going
 - a) Drives people more to go
 - b) Motivating people to go to running for office workshop
 - (1) Food bribery
9. List of workshops for logistics

10. Certamen and restaurant trivia

a) Fun trivia

- (1) Weirdest facts about Latin that could be turned into a silly question
- (2) Prize?

B. Spirit competition and prizes

1. Send stuff out about spirit
2. Spirit theme

a) Similar to national theme

- (1) Sea/nautical theme
- (2) Will use national theme as spirit theme, but will have a sea related subtitle.
- (3) Tagline
 - (a) Subtext for theme regarding seas

C. Guest speakers/seminars

1. Mr. Harris controls this.

D. Activities

1. Fall Forum Certamen- Mr. Swanger

a) Need scorekeepers and help for the moderators

- (1) Help finding volunteers
 - (a) Chapter presidents list to help find volunteers
 - (b) Could offer community service hours for scorekeeping

E. Student board t-shirts

1. Individuals could design or we could design it as a group.

a) Schedule a meeting about it.

VII. Adjournment- Iris Henry- 4:28 p.m.