

TCCSTA Fall Business Meeting Minutes- 2006
Kingwood College

President pro-tem Dom Bongiorni called the meeting to order and thanked President-Elect, Eric Skiles for hosting.

The minutes were approved with corrections. Motion: Brad Nies, second: Bill Ferreira, passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Balance on hand \$2420.96. We spent \$800 more than we took in. Freddy Mason, Treasurer suggested that we donate \$100 to the Tal Lostracco memorial scholarship fund at Trinity Valley Community College. Motion: Bill Ferreira, second: Sheleigh Carmichael, passed unanimously.

Play Festival Rehearsal & Performance: A block of time for rehearsal and performance will be up to the host school, but it is preferred so the schedule can be blocked with each performance following the rehearsal.

Dom Bongiorni handed out a sheet showing tournament conflict patterns. Wade Hescht made the motion that TCCSTA patterns reflect the Phi Rho Pi national patterns with the exception of allowing cross entering – once (OK to enter 2 events per pattern) Second: Lisa Benedetti. Discussion followed. A friendly amendment was proposed by Collier Patton – additional events will be offered at the host's discretion, Duet ©, Group Improv (E), Solo Acting (D). This was accepted by Wade and seconded by Freddy Mason. Discussion. The motion failed.

Michael Kersh made the motion to allow cross entering up to 2 events per person at the state tournament. Second, Collier Patton. Passed unanimously.

TETA Committees – Brad Nies will nominate Tal Lostracco for 2008 Community College Educator of the year.

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Play Festival Awards: We need to make it clearer with respondents that awards are based on quality and they may award as many or as few as they see fit. A lengthy discussion followed. Sheleigh Carmichael proposed that Eric head an e-mail committee to make revisions to the respondent guidelines. Second, Collier Patton. Committee members are, Brad Nies, Sheleigh Carmichael, Kevin Patrick. The revisions will be sent to all members for approval not later than February 1.

Liz Hedges made the motion that Playfest membership be X + 50 because of dwindling funds. Second by John Corley. Passed unanimously.

Playfest Time: A Friday night subcommittee met on this issue, and reported with much discussion. Sheleigh Carmichael made the motion that Play Festival be moved to the week before Thanksgiving in 2007. I will be evaluated at the festival business meeting and suggestions e-mailed to all members. Dom Bongiorno added that a non response will be considered a yea vote. Brad Nies added that if we do this dues may be due by October 15. The motion passed unanimously.

A terminology change came from the Friday night subcommittee meeting. Critic will be changed to respondent. Motion, Eric Skiles. Second, Brad Nies.

A liaison committee for retaining and recruiting organization members was formed. Brad Nies will be head “rah-rah” at TETA for TCCSTA with Eric Skiles and Nancy McVean as committee members. The group was asked to suggest printed materials, but TCCSTA will support only limited cost.

Web Page: John Corley will be Web Master and link our page to his and others. Kevin would like to see our own domain name and a simple transition. Discussion of “com” and “org” followed; tccsta.org was suggested. We should see it by Christmas.

Collier Patton will send State Forensics results to the secretary.

John Corley will coordinate times and restructure the tech presentation procedure at play festival. He will coordinate this with the host school.

Discussion of the location of Playfest. San Jacinto South will host in November 2007 pending approval from administration. A second possibility is North Harris.

Brad Nies will use the respondent list from the play festival minutes to contact respondents for the March Playfest.

Lisa Benedetti invited State Forensics to Tarrant Co. NE in March 2007. Motion, Freddy Mason. Second Floyd McConnell. Passed unanimously.

Honor Crew: More faculty supervision is needed for the honor crew. This is a cheerleader for teching in and out. The crew head needs help. Brad will contact Phil Hoke at Wharton County Community College. It was suggested that we all go home and think about an assistant. Perhaps the two faculty positions could be elected?

It was suggested that props and publicity/graphic program design be added as tech presentation areas.

FYI: X = \$100 Play Festival – 11/2 X

Respectfully Submitted.
Liz Hedges
Secretary