

Classical Association of Florida
Agenda for the Fall CAF Business Meeting
Wyndham, Orlando
Friday, October 18, 2019

Phil Dillinger, CAF President, called the Fall CAF Business Meeting to order at 3:39. He gave thanks to Robert Amstutz and Kendal Ogles for presenting at the conference, noting that it is always important to present.

He also congratulated Kendal Ogles and her student, Khloe Clay for earning FFLA Elementary Student of the Year, and Oak Hall for Middle School Student of the Year.

Phil then recognized Kendal Ogles, CAF secretary, who handed out the minutes from the Spring meeting. After noting two incorrect names, KK Youngblood moved that the minutes be amended, and Robert Amstutz seconded the motion. Rachel Robison moved that the amended minutes be accepted and it was seconded by Cory Granholm.

Phil moved onto the Officer reports, giving his own first. He reminded everyone to renew their CAF, FJCL and NJCL memberships, noting the CAF membership date is on Halloween every year.

Phil also asked people to write their Regional and State tests, or to reach out to Robert Amstutz or Harrison Sepulveda if you cannot write it.

Also, he asked people to “shout out” to Generosa Sangco-Jackson, who won CAF Teacher of the Year!

Rachel Robison then gave her Vice President report. She is excited to offer Fall Forum on November 23rd, and says the student officers have really “stepped it up” this year. There will be break out sessions, with topics ranging from studying for tests, cheering, toga tying, ludi events, and costume creation. Please reach out to her with your numbers by Halloween! She will take late registrants, but they won’t get shirts. The cost is \$15 per student.

Kendal Ogles then gave the CAF Secretary report. To spark interest and ideas for future FFLA presentations, she has created a Google document for teachers to collaborate and compile ideas that they would like to see presented or present themselves. Robert Amstutz suggested putting it in chart form, and Cory Granholm suggested putting teachers’ name by the topic that they would like to present in the future. Kendal added that she wants everyone to be a part of this document, so please reach out to her with your email address.

Phil then gave the CAF Treasurer report:

Expected Balance at last meeting: 5032.90

Credits: \$510

Debits: 62.50

Paid Members: 24

Balance: 5350.40

Upcoming Expenses: Mama G Scholarship and FSU Essay Fund

Alex Ramsey noted the the FSU Essay contest on the expenses, and asked if it still happens. Craig Bebergal said he would reach out to Dr. Sickinger.

Phil reminded each person that in two years there will be another scholarship for travel.

Adam Mize, State Chair, talked about Florida's large delegation in Fargo. Next year's Nationals will be held in Richmond. Amy Hornick asked if there would be a bus trip this year, and Adam said Fortasse! He is doing research on prices and will reach out about it later in the school year. Adam also reminded everyone about the Miller Scholarship for those teachers who have not been to Nationals or not been in at least 5 years, which covers the teacher packet.

Next came the Standing committees; Phil reminded all to encourage students to apply for scholarships via Jana.

Amy Hornick gave the nominating Committee report; there are many offices and places on the Forum Planning committee that will be available in 2020, including Certamen co-Chair, SCL Sponsor, and Creatives co-Chair. It is noted that Joanna is interested in a second term as Creatives co-chair. Also CAF President and Secretary will be up for election, as both Phil and Kendal have served two terms in these offices. To this, Adam Mize asked if we could extend that just for these two to which Phil said *'No, No, not unless you want us to move!'*

For the Forum Planning Committee, Rachel went first, saying that the officers are wonderful this year. The Forum theme will be the opening line to Ovid's Metamorphoses.

Sylvana Wilbur is working with the hotel on several suggestions from last year, including having keys ready upon check-in, and changing the hot breakfast.

Alex Ramsey, Creative co-chair, reported that certain rules have been updated. Please see the email they will send out for more information, specifically about General Rules, Computer Programs, a Mixed Media competition, and Board Games.

Craig Bebrgal, from orals and speeches, clarified the Couple's Costume receipt rules, in that the student couple has \$80 to spend between both of them, and added that in respect to speeches, judges reserve the right to ask for sources from students.

KK Youngblood reminded us that the deadlines for State Forum Registration are March 6, 2020 and the deadline for Ludi is March 5, 2020 with Rachel.

Robert Amstutz, Academic co-chair, said they are in better shape this year than last year in regards to written tests. Everyone has acknowledged writing to writing their assigned test. Please turn in your tests!

Moving onto new business, Phil recognized the current discussions about the language of the JCL creed and song. We have been assured that NJCL will write a statement regarding these discussions. Robert Amstutz, who has been an active part of the conversations, noted that there is nothing we can really do, but ask our own students to read over both and talk about what they think.

Phil reminded us that these are student created documents, and it will take students to amend them.

He then welcomed new CAF members to our organization; Rebecca Taylor at St John's Episcopal, Jenny Staton at Westshore High School, and Zach Mair at Olympia High School.

Phil asked if there was a motion to adjourn the beautiful outdoor meeting. Alex Ramsey moved that the meeting be adjourned, and KK Youngblood seconded. He adjourned the meeting at 4:07 in record time.

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1. Amy Hornick
2. Alex Ramsey
3. Rachel 'Rachelsaurus' Robison
4. Zachary Mair
5. Cory Granholm
6. Kendal Ogles
7. Phil Dillinger
8. Jennifer Staton
9. Aurelia Ogles
10. Adam Mize
11. Silvana Wilbur
12. Rebecca Taylor
13. Craig Bebergal
14. Kristen Youngblood
15. Robert Amstutz