**Classical Association of Florida**

**Spring CAF Business Meeting Minutes**

**Friday, April 7, 2017**

**AMENDED 10/11/17**

Our CAF President, Phil Dillinger, called the Spring meeting of the CAF to order at 5:15 pm, and thanked the State Planning Committee for their work.

Kendal Ogles, CAF Secretary, asked for input regarding the minutes of the Fall meeting, for which Adam Mize found a typo. Then she asked for the approval of the minutes, motioned first by Leslie Peebles and seconded by Ritchie Raulerson. Through a vote of acclamation, the minutes from Fall 2017 CAF meeting were accepted.

Phil Dillinger started the officer reports, by welcoming new teachers. He asked if anyone would be registering for the ACL meeting, June 29th-July 1st. Generosa Sangco-Jackson reminded the attendees that there are many scholarships available for teachers wanting to attend ACL, and Julia Roper reminded everyone that on May 15th the cost of ACL goes up $50.

Phil then encouraged all members to attend the FFLA conference in St Pete, Oct 13th -Oct 15th .  Registration is available online at FFLA website.

He also asked that everyone submit a proposal to present a workshop at FFLA. The deadline for proposals is May 15. The theme this year is CONNECTING.

It is very important to have presenters at FFLA, and many would love to help any first time presenters!

Deadlines for FFLA awards are:

Teacher of the Year (July 15th)

Teacher of Promise (May 19th)

Keep looking at the website for the Most Valuable Teacher deadline. He will also email everyone with reminders.

Phil reminded everyone to please remember, that although things can be hectic as we register our students, it is never acceptable to lose temper at the student officers. If venting is needed, please contact adults who can help (CAF) and proceed with kindness!

Next, CAF Vice President Rachel Robison spoke, “Welcome, I am glad you are here. Please talk to me about officer issues.”

CAF Treasurer, Craig Bebergal, began his officer report by passing out a copy of the treasury, as of 4/1/17.

Current Balance Expected Expenses:

General Balance Fund : 6420 Travel Scholarship: -2000

Mama G Fund; 1069 Mama G Winners: -790

FSU Essay Fund: 125 Expected Balance 4824

Total: 7614

Paid Members: 94 Retired: 3

He announced that James Buchanan has been given his money for the travel scholarship, with which he will be travelling to Hadrian’s Wall. Craig also announced that there will be two Mama G recipients this year. Lastly, as this is his last year as CAF Treasurer, make sure next year’s checks are sent to new Treasurer’s address.

Adam Mize, our State Chair, then gave his report. He is hoping for a large delegation to attend Nationals this year, July 24th -29th , as it is at Troy University in Alabama, and is a relatively cheaper Nationals than in past years. Alabama has asked us to chip in with pages and a Trivia Night.

He is planning to have a Florida Bus Trip to get there, and will be asking for tentative numbers before the end of April; the high end for transportation will be $150 for the bus trip. About 1800 packets will be available this year. There are teacher scholarships available to attend Nationals. Please consider applying for the Miller Fellowship, if you have never attended Nationals, or have not attended in the last 5 years.

Phil asked for reports from the Standing Committees, beginning with the Scholarship Committee. Craig Bebergal began by thanking everyone who helped in choosing the recipients of the awards this year – Geoff Revard, Daniel Robie, Dr. Sickinger, and Nancy Allen.

He also thanked everyone who wrote tests this year for Regionals and State. Craig will send an email to each person writing a test for next year’s competitions, and would like the written tests by Thanksgiving. Also, if you feel you do not have the time to write your given test, please let the committee know at the end of November, when all of the tests for next year’s competitions are due, so that one person is not stuck writing nine tests at one time

Amy Hornick, Nominating Committee Chair, began by discussing the many open positions this year, and restated the new policy regarding years in each position. Then the elections were underway.

Election of CAF Vice President

Amy Hornick said only one person was running for the position. Rachel Robison took over Travis’ term after he had to leave his position, and she would like to run for the position. Leslie Perkins moved to accept her as Vice President by a vote of acclamation. Dave Jackson seconded this, and the vote was passed.

Election of CAF Treasurer

Amy Hornick said there has been one nomination, Jana Wells. Phil asked for a motion to vote, which was moved by Harrison Sepulveda and seconded by Robert Amstutz. Jana Wells was named CAF Treasurer by a unanimous vote.

Election of both Academics Co-Chairs

Amy Hornick began by allowing Jessica Bradshaw to share her family news. Jessica is moving in July to Newport, so must relinquish her position. Also, she had to write nine tests this year, and would like everyone to “please step up to the plate” so the next Academic chairs do not have to shoulder the burden.

The floor was opened to nominations. Pre-nominations for the position were Cory Granholm and Harrison Sepulveda. Dave Sangco–Jackson nominated Daniel Robie and Adam Williams. During the first vote, Daniel Robie was named the new Academics Co-Chair. A second vote was held for the other Academic co-chair, which resulted in a tie, and was re-done.

Daniel Robie being named Academic Co-Chair lead to the need to vote for a replacement to the Certamen co-chair. He nominated Generosa Sangco–Jackson. Geoff Revard moved to vote by acclamation, which was seconded by D.J. Holt, and passed.

Election of Orals Co Chair

Amy Hornick first thanked Leslie Peebles for fifteen years of service in this position. Then she reported the nomination of Alex Ramsey and Daniel Germain for the open position.

Due to the length of the votes and counting, Phil moved to table further elections until all reports were finished. This was motioned by Alex Ramsey and seconded by Leslie Peebles.

Phil asked for the Forum Planning Committee reports, starting with Rachel Robison.

She said there were a few problems at the bazaar, which we are working out with the hotel. It is a hotel policy that we cannot sell any food at all in the future, so we all need to make adjustments to our bazaar booths accordingly.

D.J. Holt thanked everyone who helped judge projects.

Janice Lee gave thanks to everyone who reminded their school secretaries to send checks to Stanton, and to those who put FJCL on your checks. Further, she reported that in the fall when memberships ($1/student) are sent in, FJCL will have about $70,000 in accounts, which she works to keep separated. She will always send a receipt.

Then Silvana Wilbur thanked everyone for their patience with checking in. Pre-keying has been specifically spoken about with the hotel, and the readiness of the rooms with efficiency.

Geoff Revard, who spear heads the Constitution Committee, recommended we vote on the previously recommended amendments to the CAF constitution, to accept mostly typographical changes. He promised that there is nothing that makes him overlord of Certamen in them. Phil asked for a motion to vote by acclamation. Tim O’Flaherty so motioned, and was seconded by Leslie Perkins. The amendments were accepted.

Phil then moved onto new business for the meeting, including the possible redistricting of Region IV, specifically, and others as needed. Region IV has just three schools in the region now and would like to consider either redistricting into another region, breaking by location into other regions, or be given approval to be invited into other regions for competition.

Phil pointed out that there is nothing in CAF constitution about regions or districting and moved for all to think about it until our next meeting. Motioned first by Dave Jackson and seconded by D.J. Holt, the idea was tabled until our Fall CAF meeting

Geoff Revard then proposed several new Constitutional amendments, which are attached below. The changes reflect things that were done in the past, and have lapsed, and ergo should be taken out of the constitution.

Leslie Perkins asked if we could add regional directors, among these specific amendments. Phil replied that this would need to be presented as an additional new amendment at the next meeting.

Phil then recognitized those teachers who are new to state and/or CAF this year, including Bozena Lawson, Jana Wells, and Auriana Jimenez

New and open positions followed this recognition, including:

* Berkeley Preparatory school is looking for an immediate Latin teacher part time
* A middle school position at Windermere in Orlando
* A maternity leave at Maclay in Tallahassee
* Durant High School would like to restart their program
* Westminster Academy in Ft Lauderdale

Briefly, Aurelia Ogles discussed the upcoming Latin teacher trip to Germany in June. There are still openings on the trip; if you are interested, please contact her.

The results of elections for Academic Co-Chair and Orals Co-Chair were announced;

Harrison Sepulveda won the academics, while Daniel Germain won the orals.

As the time was coming to a close, Phil Dillinger asked for a motion to adjourn the CAF Spring meeting. This was motioned by Dr. Bebergal, seconded by Robert Amstutz, and accepted by vote. Thusly, Phil ended the meeting at 6:29 pm.

Proposed Amendments

**Article V: Officers**

**Section 1.** Officers of this Association shall be: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, State Chair, and Executive Secretary.

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**Rationale:** We have not had an executive secretary for as long as I can remember. Email and the personal computer have made this office largely unnecessary. Changes to make constitution match current practice.

**Section 3.** The officers of the Association shall be elected at the spring meeting of the Association for a term of two years, (excepting the executive secretary) the term of office to commence on July first following the election (excepting the Vice President who will serve on apprentice year before his term of office commences). In order to maintain a continuum of experience in the Executive Council, groups of officers shall be elected in alternate years in such a way that the President and Secretary may serve within the same two year period; and the Vice President and Treasurer in a like manner will alternate their two year period with that the first group of officers named. The Executive Secretary shall be elected for a term of five years and may continue in office for other terms if elected again.

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**Article VI:**

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**Rationale:** In practice we have combined the study grant and student scholarship.

**BYLAWS:**

**Section 3.** The Secretary shall attend and record the minutes of the Executive Council and of the Association and these minutes shall be transcribed and kept in a book belonging to the Association. A copy of the minutes of the association meetings and the minutes of the board meetings shall be sent to each of the officers. A copy of the minutes of the Association meeting shall be also sent to the editor of the Latin Bulletin at Florida State University and to the editor of the Classics Newsletter at the University of Florida.

The Secretary shall carry on official correspondence of the Association, shall assist the President in coordinating activities of the Association as required in correspondence, and shall give notice of meetings of the Executive Council and of the Association. The Secretary shall work with the Treasurer to keep an accurate list of all Classical Association of Florida Members and retired members. To each retiring member, the Secretary shall send a card granting Life Membership. Upon the death of a member, the Secretary will send a sympathy card to the family. The Secretary Shall keep the Editors of the Classical publications at Florida State University and at the University of Florida informed as to the Association membership.

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**Rationale:** The Latin Bulletin is no longer published and neither school wants the minutes. Current Practice.

**Section 4.** The Treasurer shall keep and up-to-date membership list and notify the President of the Classical Association of Florida and the editors of Publications at Florida State University and at the University of Florida of any changes. The Treasurer shall arrange for a representative of the Classical Association of Florida to be centrally located at the fall meeting for the purpose of giving information and collecting membership dues and conference fees.

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**Rationale: Current Practice**

**Section 6**. The Executive Secretary is to help the other officers in any way requested. He should clear all his work with the President. He will be in charge of the Florida Latin Placement Service. He will work as Chairman of the Committee for the Promotion of Interest in the Classics in cooperation with the state Vice-President of the Classical Association of the Middle –West and South

Proposed: Remove and Renumber section 7.

Rationale: Executive Secretary is no longer a position of CAF

**Article IV: Forum Planning Committee**

**Section 3.** Duties of Committee Members

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Work with student officers to plan the non-academic/creative aspects of the Forum.

**Section 3 I. Orals and Costumes Chair**

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b. Be in **charge** of speech and costume registration, judging and results of competitions at State Forum. This includes set up and security for the rooms.

**Rational: Typographical**

**Article V Section 5.** Annual dues shall be $10.00 for active and associate members.

**proposed** Annual dues shall be $20.00 for active and associate members.

**Rationale:** This isn't correct

Spring Meeting Attendance

1. Alex Ramsey
2. Robert Amstutz
3. Megan Kabella
4. Geoff Revard
5. Jeff Yeaker
6. Meredith Borum
7. John Seary
8. Julia Roper
9. A Susan McDonald
10. Aurelia Ogles
11. Samantha Adamczyk
12. Janice B. Lee
13. Harrison Sepulveda
14. Cory Granholm
15. Tim O’Flaherty
16. Nick DeGroot
17. Jennifer Cyr
18. Judy Hahn
19. Donna Reynolds
20. Ritchie Raulerson
21. Leslie Peebles
22. Nancy Allen
23. Emma Perry
24. Auriana Jimenez
25. Stephanie Loughran
26. Brenda Fields
27. Al Kummer
28. Kitty Wells
29. Jana Wells
30. Silvana Wilbur
31. Adam Mize
32. Kelley A Ranch
33. Leslie Perkins
34. Daniel Robie
35. Daniel Germain
36. Christopher Kauffman
37. Sylvia Trein
38. David Jackson
39. Generosa Sangco-Jackson
40. Jim Sickinger
41. James Buchanan
42. Jennifer Frank
43. Tony Haakman
44. Rachel Robison
45. Jessica Bradshaw
46. Kristin Youngblood
47. Bozena Lawson
48. Kyle McGimsey
49. Larry Lewis
50. D.J. Holt
51. Joanna Paras
52. Craig Bebergal
53. Kendal Ogles
54. Phil Dillinger