

Texas State Junior Classical League Winter Board Meeting
Atascocita High School, Humble, Texas
January 9th, 2016

Attendance

David Mann, *TSJCL President*

Cass Plowman, *TSJCL 1st Vice President*

Nikhil Rao, *TSJCL 2nd Vice President*

Hannah Zawatski, *TSJCL Secretary*

Walton Schmidt, *TSJCL Historian*

Shravika Lam, *TSJCL Parliamentarian*

Kady Salinas, *TSJCL Editor*

William McKinnerney, *TSJCL Webmaster*

Morgan Salgy, *Area A Chair*

Daniel Knisley, *Area B Chair*

Guy Morales, *Area D Chair*

Christopher Jerabek, *Area D Chair*

Hayleigh Bardin, *Area F Chair*

Johnny Painter & Kaitlyne Garza, *Co-Convention Coordinators*

Lauren Dill, *State Chair*

Shawn Jennings, *State Chair*

William Lee, *State Chair*

Joan Romanosky, *State Chair*

Miranda Wenzlaff, *State Chair*

Patrick Bray, *Sponsor*

Vanessa Jones, *Sponsor*

Alex Wasson, *Sponsor*

Kimberly Read, *Sponsor*

Byron Browne, *Sponsor*

Katie Cowhig, *Sponsor*

Shelly McCormick-Lane, *Sponsor*

Alan Abbe, *Sponsor*

Jennie Luongo, *Sponsor*

Jerry Jerabek, *Chaperone*

I. Call to Order

David Mann calls the meeting to order at 10:22 AM.

II. Approval of Minutes

TSJCL Secretary, Hannah Zawatski, reviews the TSJCL Fall Board Meeting minutes.

David Mann entertains motions to approve the minutes.

Cass Plowman so moves.

Kady Salinas seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

David Mann entertains motions for the vote to approve the minutes.

Walton Schmidt moves to approve the minutes as amended.

Kady Salinas seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

III. Officer Reports

- A.** Following the Fall Board Meeting, TSJCL President David Mann created the Winter Board Meeting agenda, began work on the master schedule for State.
- B.** Following the Fall Board Meeting, TSJCL 1st Vice President Cass Plowman edited the Dramatic Interpretation, Latin Oratory, and Sight Recitation judging sheets to reflect the current passages. He continued work on obtaining trophies for State.
- C.** Following the Fall Board Meeting, TSJCL 2nd Vice President Nikhil Rao revised the Classical Civilization Rules to reflect the point changes, reformatted the judging sheets, and created an online art registration form, which will be piloted in Area A. Nikhil also created an art categorizing flow chart to alleviate confusion at convention.
- D.** Following the Fall Board Meeting, TSJCL Secretary Hannah Zawatski revised minutes from the TSJCL Fall Board Meeting, created and distributed the membership packet. She continued work on Colloquia invitations and located 12 professionals to contact for Colloquia.
- E.** Following the Fall Board Meeting, TSJCL Treasurer Jack Mason has received checks for membership and has sent out receipts, and maintained a balanced Treasurer's Report.
- F.** Following the Fall Board Meeting, TSJCL Historian Walton Schmidt has updated the judging sheets for scrapbook and poster contests, and purchased software to

use for the State Scrapbook. He has also uploaded pictures and captions from the Fall Board Meeting to the TSJCL Flickr.

- G.** Following the Fall Board Meeting, TSJCL Parliamentarian Shravika Lam has corresponded with delegates interested in seeking office, composed an article about running for office to be published in *The Torch*, and edited the letter to sponsors and delegates about running for office. She also sent in the bylaw changes to the membership packet.
- H.** Following the Fall Board Meeting, TSJCL Editor Kady Salinas completed the Fall Torch, submitted a State Update that was published in the *Torch: US*, began work on the Winter Torch, and updated the photography and t-shirt contest judging sheets.
- I.** Following the Fall Board Meeting, TSJCL Webmaster William McKinnerney developed an online registration and billing system for Area F and Area D, launched the new TSJCL website, and entered the National Website Contest.
- J.** Following the Fall Board Meeting, TSJCL Area A Chair, Morgan Salgy, revised the Vocal and Ensemble judging sheets and planned the Area A Convention.
- K.** Following the Fall Board Meeting, TSJCL Area B Chair Daniel Knisley prepared documents for the Area B Convention, revised the Latin Oratory judging sheets, placed orders for Area B trophies, and figured out what was still needed for the Area B Convention.
- L.** Following the Fall Board Meeting, TSJCL Area C Chair Jesus Garcia has opened registration for the Area C Convention via webiste.
- M.** Following the Fall Board Meeting, Area D Co-Chairs Guy Morales and Christopher Jerabek revised the Play judging sheets, began planning the Area D Convention, which includes maps of the school, schedules, trophy orders, and contacting volunteers.
- N.** Following the Fall Board Meeting, Co-Convention Coordinators Kaitlyne Garza and Johnny Painter have located caterers, found speakers for Colloquia, contacted volunteers for State Convention. They also planned the Winter Board Meeting.

IV. Contests

A. Dramatic Interpretation and Sight Recitation

Cass Plowman shows the updated year and passages on the Dramatic Interpretation and Sight Recitation judging sheets.

David Mann entertains motions to open the floor on discussion of the use of last names on the judging sheets.

Walton Schmidt seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

David Mann entertains motions to open the floor.

Walton Schmidt moves to open the floor for five minutes.

Kady Salinas seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

Hannah Zawatski notes that using initials will be easy to identify, but will not give away notable last names. This is well received by the board.

Nikhil Rao moves to close the floor.

Johnny Painter seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

David Mann moves to move to voting.

Kady Salinas so moves.

Christopher Jerabek seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

David Mann entertains motions for the vote.

Walton Schmidt moves to use initials on the judging sheets.

Kaitlyne Garza seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

B. Classical Civilization Contest

Nikhil Rao makes minor changes to the judging sheet, deleting phone number space and adding the phrase, "please print." Nikhil Rao presents the new art registration system.

David Mann entertains motions to open the floor.

Cass Plowman moves to open the floor for five minutes.

Guy Morales seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

David Mann explains that if the individual wants to switch categories, the problem is that the grader will not switch art for them. If two art pieces from the same school are entered into the category, the lower score should be dropped and the sponsor will be notified.

Miranda Wenzlaff says that this would be unfair, as switching categories is not printed in the rules.

The floor closes.

David Mann entertains motions to reopen the floor for 10 minutes.

Walton Schmidt so moves.

Kady Salinas seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

William Lee explains that the TSJCL will accept art pieces that aren't previously registered.

The board concludes that the online registration system is strongly encouraged, but also accept day-of registration.

David Mann moves to move to voting.

Kady Salinas moves to go to voting.

Guy Morales seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

David Mann entertains motions to decide on what system to use for art registration at State.

Nikhil Rao moves to use the online system as a highly encouraged option, but to also offer registration on site the first day of State Convention.

Walton Schmidt seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

C. Publicity/Latin Club of the Year, Scrapbook, and Poster Contest

David Mann entertains motions to open the floor for discussion.

Kady Salinas moves to open the floor for three minutes.

Nikhil Rao seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

Kady Salinas states that submissions in the wrong category for poster should not be moved. The board agrees.

David Mann entertains motions to close the floor.

Kady Salinas moves to close the floor.

Morgan Salgy seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

Walton Schmidt shows his updates for traditional scrapbook and poster, and notes his change of “Latin Club of the Year” to “Latin Club of the Year/Publicity.”

David Mann entertains motions to open the floor about the subject of penalization.

Hannah Zawatski moves to open the floor for four minutes.

Kady Salinas seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

William McKinnerney states that the board should add a penalization to the Poster judging sheet. William also points out that the website shows a different penalization.

The floor closes.

David Mann entertains motions to reopen the floor.

Walton Schmidt moves to reopen the floor for seven minutes.

Johnny Painter seconds the motion.

The motion passes.

Different sources are referenced to check the correct point deduction.

William McKinnerney proves that the point deduction should be 15 points, which is stated in the Fall Board Meeting minutes and on the website.

David Mann entertains motions to close the floor.

Kaitlyne Garza so moves.

Daniel Knisley seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

David Mann entertains motions to recess.

Cass Plowman moves to recess for one hour.

Johnny Painter seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

The Winter Board Meeting is recessed at 11:58 AM.

The Winter Board Meeting is reconvened at 12:57 PM.

D. Photography and T-Shirt Contest

Kady Salinas shows the board the revised documents for Photography and T-Shirt.

E. English Oratory

David Mann shows the board the documents for English Oratory.

F. Latin Oratory

Daniel Knisley shows the board the revised documents for Latin Oratory.

G. Costume

David Mann entertains motions to open the floor for discussion.

Kady Salinas moves to open the floor for five minutes.

Cass Plowman seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

The board discuss whether or not the document is altered. The board agrees to email Jesus Garcia to change the grammar of the first line of the sheet.

David Mann entertains motions to close the floor.

Nikhil Rao so moves.

Kaitlyne Garza seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

H. Play

David Mann entertains motions to open the floor.

Johnny Painter moves to open the floor for five minutes.

Hannah Zawatski seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

Kimberly Read explains why the usage of names is important in the play contest.

William Lee states the board should make participants bring copies without the names of the participants to the presentation. William Lee also states that the board should change “name” to “play name” and delete “school.”

David Mann entertains motions to close the floor.

Kady Salinas so moves.

Guy Morales seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

I. Vocal Solo and Ensemble

Morgan Salgy shows the board the documents for Vocal Solo and Ensemble.

David Mann entertains motions to approve the documents as amended.

Guy Morales moves to approve the aforementioned changes as amended.

Walton Schmidt seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

V. Trophy Report

TSJCL 1st Vice President Cass Plowman states that he needs the money for the trophies in order to order them.

VI. Treasurer Report

Lauren Dill, as proxy for Jack Mason, indicates the budget below.

Starting Balance (9/19/15): \$57,153.99

Balance at Hand (1/9/16): \$52,650.12

Expenditures	
New Printer for State Convention	\$315.26
NJCL Officer Travel Expenses for State Convention Visit	\$574.60
NJCL Convention Hospitality Expense	\$2,179.27
Fall Board Meeting Travel Expenses	\$2,911.00
Fall Board Meeting Miscellaneous Expenses	\$619.83
Officer Pins Re-order	\$2,578.19

Membership Packet Postage	\$454.72
Income	
Membership Dues	\$5,129.00

David Mann entertains motions to approve the copy of the Treasurer's Report.

Guy Morales moves to approve the above copy of the Treasurer's Report.

Kaitlyne Garza seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

VII. Service Colloquia

The board approves Nikhil Rao's service idea, which is called "Project Linus," that provides handmade blankets to ill children.

VIII. TSJCL Logo

Guy Morales shows the comparison of the current and proposed TSJCL logo.

David Mann entertains motions to open the floor for discussion of the logo.

Cass Plowman moves to open the floor for three minutes.

Johnny Painter seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

Nikhil Rao says that the board should unveil the new logo at the end of State Convention.

Cass Plowman agrees, but also notes that the new logo cannot be put onto the 2016 trophies.

Guy Morales proposes that the board use this logo on letterhead and as a seal.

The floor closes.

David Mann entertains motions to reopen the floor.

Walton Schmidt moves to reopen the floor for five minutes.

Christopher Jerabek seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

Kady Salinas clarifies that the board can use the logo on the program, website, Midnight Torch, guidebooks, and Officer's Handbook, not the letterhead.

David Mann entertains motions to close the floor.

Johnny Painter so moves.

Walton Schmidt seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

David Mann entertains motions to move to voting.

Morgan Salgy moves to move to voting.

Johnny Painter seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

David Mann entertains motions to approve the logo.

Kady Salinas moves to approve the logo for the purposes listed above.

Nikhil Rao seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

IX. Tour of Convention Site

TSJCL Co-Convention Coordinators, Kaitlyne Garza and Johnny Painter take the board on a tour of Atascocita High School.

X. Talent Show

David Mann entertains motions to open the floor.

Kady Salinas moves to open the floor for five minutes.

Johnny Painter seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

Kady Salinas recommends the board to use an active link on the packet, so that it can be easily accessible from the website.

Hayleigh Bardin says that the board will create this document on Google Docs to fit the formatting better.

David Mann entertains motions to close the floor.

Kady Salinas moves to close the floor.

Nikhil Rao seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

David Mann entertains motions pertaining to the vote.

Daniel Knisley moves to move to voting.

Christopher Jerabek seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

David Mann entertains motions to approve the talent show document as amended.

Nikhil Rao so moves.

Kaitlyne Garza seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

XI. Convention Update

David Mann entertains motions to open the floor.

Walton Schmidt moves to open the floor for fifteen minutes.

Johnny Painter seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

Kaitlyne Garza explains the convention updates as follows:

- A. Sponsors will be dropped off at the front entrance, and delegates will be brought around to the second entrance.
 - B. Registration will take place at tables outside of the gym and library.
 - C. Water bottles will be bought independently, because Coke does not sell water, and Dr. Pepper products are not allowed on campus, as Atascocita is sponsored by Coke.
 - D. Friday Evening dinner will run \$8 per dinner for box dinners from Panera.
 - E. Saturday morning breakfast will be granola bars and doughnuts.
 - F. Saturday lunch will be full sized pizzas from Domino's, and will be \$8 per box. Sponsors will be asked to indicate how many boxes to order prior to Saturday.
 - G. Saturday dinner will be catered by Buca di Beppo, and will be \$9 per serving.
- The floor closes.

David Mann entertains motions to reopen the floor.

Walton Schmidt moves to reopen the floor for fifteen minutes.

Johnny Painter seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

Kaitlyne Garza introduces Atascocita Latin Club's Historian to display the State Convention Shirt, based off of the show *Friends*.

Johnny Painter explains the game Globus Rex, which will be played in place of capture the flag.

The floor closes.

David Mann entertains motions to reopen the floor.

Hannah Zawatski moves to reopen the floor for fifteen minutes.

Kaitlyne Garza seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

Kaitlyne Garza displays the hotel rates sheet that will be included in the registration packets. The board adds the caveat, "Rates are subject to change."

Kaitlyne Garza shows the board the Colloquia speakers that Atascocita has contacted, and explains that Professor Hansen will require an honorarium, and other speakers will need gas money.

The floor closes.

David Mann entertains motions to reopen the floor.

Kady Salinas moves to reopen the floor for fifteen minutes.

Kaitlyne Garza seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

Kaitlyne Garza explains the use of hashslider.com, which will be used to broadcast pictures and videos of delegates at convention.

Walton Schmidt proposes to use the Publicity hashtag as a link.

Johnny Painter explains the recreation options Atascocita would like to have, which include:

- A. Bouncy house jousting arena.
- B. Bouncy house Spartan obstacle course.
- C. Pinata to celebrate Rome's birthday.

David Mann entertains motions to close the floor.

Kaitlyne Garza moves to close the floor.

Johnny Painter seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

David Mann entertains motions to move to voting.

Kady Salinas moves to move to voting.

Christopher Jerabek seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

David Mann entertains motions pertaining to the vote.

Kady Salinas moves to buy the gladiator bouncy house, not the jousting pit.
Cass Plowman seconds the motion.

The motion passes with two dissenting votes.

David Mann entertains motions to approve the hashslider.com use and t-shirt.

Kady Salinas so moves.

Kaitlyne Garza seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

XII. Convention Schedule

David Mann presents the convention schedule, as attached. It will be completed by January 23, 2016.

XIII. Workshops and Seminars

Hannah Zawatski presents the professionals that the board invites for Colloquia.

XIV. Candidate Update

Shravika Lam presents the Officer Nomination Forms.

XV. Area Convention Updates

- A. Area A Chair Morgan Salgy will not be attending the Area A Convention, so she has appointed deputies to run the convention.
- B. Area B Chair Daniel Knisley has completed the room assignments and schedule, and has started to rent amenities for the convention. Daniel Knisley has also ordered trophies for the Area B Convention.
- C. Area F Chair Hayleigh Bardin has counted ribbons and located volunteers for the Area F Convention.

XVI. Other Business

- A. Academic Rules and Classical Art Test

David Mann entertains motions to move to voting.

Walton Schmidt so moves.

Hayleigh Bardin seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

David Mann entertains motions pertaining to the vote.

Walton Schmidt moves to approve the inclusion of the Classical Art Contest Rules in the packet.

Hannah Zawatski seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

B. Officer Shirts

David Mann entertains motions regarding the t-shirt discussion.

Hannah Zawatski moves to open the floor for ten minutes.

Kaitlyne Garza seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

Discussion is had over the t-shirts, which the officers agreed would be a good idea.

David Mann entertains motions to close the floor.

Walton Schmidt so moves.

Johnny Painter seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

XVII. Adjournment

David Mann entertains motions to adjourn the Winter Board Meeting.

Kady Salinas so moves.

William McKinnerney seconds the motion.

The motion passes unanimously.

The Winter Board Meeting is adjourned at 3:58 PM.

The TSJCL will reconvene on April 22nd at Atascocita High School in Humble, Texas.