

**WJCL Board Meeting**  
**February 22st, 2015**  
**Homestead High School**

**Attendance:**

Jay Chand*	Brookfield Academy
Jason Tan	Brookfield Academy
Rohan Nangia	Brookfield Academy
Ram Gollapudy	Brookfield Academy
Steven Chen	Brookfield Academy
Mark Bechthold	Brookfield Academy
Aliyah Quereshi	Brookfield Academy
Peter Arndt	Brookfield East
Abby Guenther	Brookfield East
Lauren Arndt	Brookfield East
Luke Bartsch	Brookfield East
Liz Tripi	Brookfield East
Avery Ulschmid*	Brookfield East
Trace Carrasco	Brookfield East
Paul Weiskopf	Brookfield East
Teddy Stravropoulos	Brookfield East
Julia Lingo	Catholic Memorial
Ariel Jaeger	Catholic Memorial
Graydn Lentz*	Catholic Memorial
Nathaniel Langlie	Edgewood
Ruby Ladd*	Edgewood
Maddie Frank	Homestead
Andrew Mullins	Homestead
Priya Khullar*	Homestead
Elena Gratton	Madison West
Lexi Slater	Madison West
Eli Judge	Madison West
Fiona Adams	Madison West
Hazel Brown	Madison West
Matt Daley	Madison West
Lauren Bayouth	Madison West
Frances Bartolutti	Madison West
Mathilda Harris*	Madison West
Charlie Baker	Madison West
Michael Kearney	Marquette
Myles Roeske	Marquette
Ted Chisholm*	Marquette
Valentina Buccoliero*	Wayland Academy
Mags	Madison West
Magis	Homestead
Magistra Rheinmuller	Homestead
Mrs. Ruth Osier	Brookfield Academy
Allan Lubben	Brookfield East
Daniel Tess	Brookfield Central

Dr. Keely Lake  
Ron Hahm  
James Greenwald

Wayland Academy  
Luther Prep  
Marquette

**Call to Order:** 11:16a.m. By Eli Judge

**I. Introductions:** *“The gang’s all here.”* -Simon Rosenblum-Larson (iocus)

**II. Treasury Report: \$31,453.43**

**III. Vacancy Election**

**A. Candidates:**

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|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>i.</b> Lauren Arndt          | Brookfield East    |
| <b>ii.</b> Nathaniel Langlie    | Edgewood           |
| <b>iii.</b> Hazel Brown         | Madison West       |
| <b>iv.</b> Katya Mikhailenko    | Homestead          |
| <b>v.</b> Steven Chen           | Brookfield Academy |
| <b>vi.</b> Valentina Buccoliero | Wayland Academy    |

**B. Voting:**

- i.** One vote per **2014-2015 board member**, one vote per **state chair**, one vote per present **chapter representative**
- ii.** **Asterisk on attendance** denotes chapter representative.

**C. Congratulations to our new historian, Steven Chen!**

**D.** Swearing in of new board... again.

**IV. Convention Recap**

**A. Schedule:** General consensus is a lack of planning. (i.e. Incorrect times and testing rooms in program) Do we make the schedule in December to avoid mistakes?

**B. Testing:** Parent chaperones could be more informed on how scantrons are to be filled out et cetera.

**C. Certamen**

**i. Regular Certamen**

- i.** Good questions, On schedule (even with a machine breaking mid-round)
- ii.** Some Certamen readers could be better informed of the rules and try to make pronunciation somewhat clearer.

**ii. WSOC:** *“So good.”* –Michael Kearney

**D. Spirit**

- i.** Officers should **allot sections** for each school in Varsity Hall
- ii.** Transparency in **grading rubrics**
- iii.** Winning the first day of spirit does not remove one from placing on the second day
- iv.** If a school is disqualified, their teacher must be informed right away so they may attempt to remedy the situation

- v. Homestead was disqualified from spirit for not saying the important details in their roll call (# of delegates) However, they did in fact include all of the basics.
- vi. **Possible solutions:** One officer listening solely for important details (# of delegates, etc.), Spirit points being tallied on a wall of the hotel, et cetera

**E. General Assemblies:** Consensus is that Assemblies ran long, but people appreciate the officers' humor. (You're welcome)

#### **F. Elections and Voting**

- i. Officers could've planned for a run-off election in case.
- ii. Defacing, ripping down, or tearing up posters is not allowed.
- iii. There should be an amendment meeting.

**G. Art:** There was an issue with art being stolen. Please don't do that. If anyone has information regarding this, please contact an officer.

#### **H. Mandatory Entertainment**

##### **i. Conflicting viewpoints**

- i. **Pro:** We had planned for it but the hotel had not, People loved it and that it was mandatory because they wouldn't have gone otherwise, having the act remain secret was cool and mysterious, other acts may be interesting.
- ii. **Against:** Seemed forced into the schedule and last minute (Especially with so many other activities at the same time), people didn't love it and think it shouldn't have been mandatory, just calling it "Mandatory Entertainment" sounds less fun than "The Odyssey In Song: Mandatory" and keeping it a secret hyped it up more than it should've been, other acts could be worse.
- ii. **Things to Consider:** Do we have him back next year or every other year or at all? If not him, then other acts? Do we make it mandatory?

#### **I. Oratory**

##### **i. Memorized:**

- i. Rubric could be more clear online (Whether or not translation must be original work or not)
- ii. Scheduling it on Friday seems to have worked well!
- ii. **Impromptu:** If students from separate chapters want to perform together, should they be able to split up points? This happened this year and the immediate solution was that one student would sacrifice the points, but could there be a better one?

#### **J. Essay**

- i. **Complaints:** Lack of pencils (Events are generally BYOP... bring your own pencils), lack of testing rooms
- ii. Participants **do not** need to preregister for essay

iii. **Compliments:** Excellent Topic!

**K. Costume Contest**

- i. Costumes spilled over into Friday. This is probably something we want to avoid. (Apparently it was better than last year, but still)
- ii. We should implement a **costume parade/runway** or photo montage so we can all enjoy the beautiful costumes.

**L. Chess:** Hoped for more girls, but there's not much we can do about that.

**M. War Machine:** Ran well, criteria was met by most participants. Wasn't during Certamen which was nice, but scheduling it late on a Friday left little opportunity to watch (Next year, the machine will change so this shouldn't be a problem)

**N. Bowling**

- i. When people initially went down to bowl it wasn't open and although it eventually was open, **many missed it.**
- ii. Some were informed that bowling isn't free (**It was free**)
- iii. These were both results of miscommunication with UW. Perhaps next year we should send an officer to **confirm our reservation** earlier in the day.

**O. Bazaar:** People basically don't even know what bazaar is... Shout out to Brookfield Academy for keeping it alive.

**P. Miscellaneous:** *"Officers, you did a great job!"* – Mr. Greenwald

**V. WJ<sup>2</sup>CL**

**A.** Instead of WJ<sup>2</sup>CL, Kearney would like to hold a **Certamen tournament** in mid-April (likely a Saturday) for both middle school and high school players.

**B. Please fill out the survey on potential dates.**

**C.** It would essentially be an Open Certamen (3 round) tournament ran similarly to State Certamen, with randomly assigned Level 1, 2, and Advanced teams.

**D. Location:** Possibly Marquette High School

**E. Questions:** Officers and Top Players would write questions.

**VI. Membership**

**A.** Kearney will be contacting a list of potential new schools.

**B. Intra-school membership:** Try to promote membership amongst your own chapter as best you can!

**VII. Nationals**

**A.** Time/Location: **Trinity University // San Antonio, TX // July 27<sup>th</sup> - August 1<sup>st</sup>**

**B.** Packets were released March 1st

**C.** Please have **approximate numbers by March Board Meeting**; hard numbers by April Board Meeting.

**D.** Every **10 students require a chaperone** of same gender. This is each school's responsibility

**VIII. Miscellaneous:**

- A. GJCL hosts an event for smaller schools to encourage candidacy and participation. Perhaps this is something we could consider implementing as well.  
–Aliyah Quereshi, NJCL
  - B. **Sign up table could be moved** to another location, at least while schools are still arriving.
  - C. It was brought up at least once that some didn't know how to contact officers.  
**One can find each officer's email on [wjcl.org](http://wjcl.org)**
  - D. **Next Meeting: Marquette HS // March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 // 11:00a.m.**
- Motion to Adjourn:** Andrew Mullins (Hey, Mullins is still relevant!)
- Second:** Eli Judge, pleb.
- Adjournment:** 1:20p.m. By President Michael Kearney