

WJCL Board Meeting
Sunday March 22nd, 2015
Marquette High School

Attendance:

Ram Gollapudy	Brookfield Academy
Andrew Hong	Brookfield Academy
Margot Armbruster	Brookfield Academy
Ethan Warren	Brookfield Academy
Shiva Suri	Brookfield Academy
Steven Chen	Brookfield Academy
Jason Tan	Brookfield Academy
Aliyah Quereshi	Brookfield Academy
Teddy Stravopoulos	Brookfield East
Abby Guenther	Brookfield East
Paul Weiskopf	Brookfield East
Avery Ulschmid	Brookfield East
Brenna Lewandowski	Catholic Memorial
Brenna Krawzyck	Catholic Memorial
Ariel Jaeger	Catholic Memorial
Julia Lingo	Catholic Memorial
Ruby Ladd	Edgewood
Ansley Laev	Homestead
Maddie Frank	Homestead
Lauren Bayouth	Madison West
Sarah Brophy	Madison West
Frances Bartolutti	Madison West
Charlie Baker	Madison West
Eli Judge	Madison West
Fiona Adams	Madison West
Michael Kearney	Marquette
Myles Roeske	Marquette
Ruth Osier	Brookfield Academy
Daniel Tess	Brookfield Central
Magis	Homestead
Mags	Madison West
James Greenwald	Marquette

Call to Order: 11:13 a.m. by President Michael Kearney

I. Introductions:

II. Treasury Report: Our current balance is \$41,414.16. Most of the bills are in, and we are very close to what our balance was last year.

III. National Convention:

A. Registration and Attendance:

i. Students and Chaperones:

i. The tentative numbers are as follows:

Brookfield East: 17 students and 2 chaperones

Marquette: 10 students, 1 chaperone, and Mr. Greenwald

Homestead: The numbers are up in the air due to exams, 3 students have payed, possibly 25 students total, with 3 chaperones

Madison West: 22 students and 3 chaperones

Brookfield Academy: 25 students and 3 chaperones

Catholic Memorial: 7 or 8 students and 1 chaperone

ii. There is a university rule of 10 students to 1 chaperone, with appropriate genders, this must be followed.

iii. We are trying to get the word out of Nationals to other smaller schools. The numbers must be in by april board meeting.

B. Budget and Travel Stipend:

i. As of right now, there are 92 students, this number may go up or down. There are 11 chaperones, and Mr. Greenwald.

ii. Last year, the budget was \$17,000, the chaperones packets will also be payed for this year. Michael proposes to reinstate the same budget as last year, including \$11,000 for travel stipends, which is roughly \$110 per student.

C. Transportation:

i. Rough numbers of \$400 for a roundtrip airplane ticket. Is there any interest in taking a bus down? If every school wanted to bus down, we would need 2 buses of 56 people on each, totaling \$20,000. Each school will have to make a decision about their transportation, and travel together

Cons of Taking a Bus: Not everyone will want to ride a bus for the entire trip to Texas. If a number of people choose to fly, it would be silly to look into buses for everyone to take. The travel budget would have to be pushed to \$25,000 in order to cover the expense of all the students. If every school wanted to bus down, we would need 2 buses of 56 people on each.

Pros of Taking a Bus: More students are more likely to be able to go if their travel costs are partly, or fully covered, as it would be with taking a bus. Catholic Memorial feels like their students will be more willing to go if their travel budget is covered in which case they would have 8 students, and 1 chaperone. A roundtrip bus ticket is \$218.

ii. Mr. Greenwald is interested in there being a bus from the airport to the campus that would stop at tourist attractions.

iii. At the next meeting, we will determine the travel stipend and will discuss the idea of the bus to make our decision. Schools should advertise the bus to their students, and arrive at the April meeting with definite numbers.

D. Activities:

i. Certamen Practices:

i. The certamen practices are traditionally held in the summer. Although they have been held at MUHS in the past, it is going to be under major construction over the summer so it will be unable to hold practices this year.

ii. Host schools or homes available for practice are Homestead, Brookfield Academy, Eli Judge's house, and Michael Kearney's house.

Mr. Greenwald's presentation of the Selection of the WJCL Certamen Team:

Mr. Greenwald opens by thanking the hosts of last years practices for hosting the 12 practices. His idea for this years selection process is to use the first three weeks of practices for finding capable people to be on the teams, and the next few weeks for the members to be split by level and begin training to be the best. He proposes that the members be taught more and that they practice less. He also thinks that the host school be responsible for xerox copies of the certamen questions. Attendance should also be taken at each practice, and posted on the website so there is no discrepancy as to who was present, and so that it is completely objective. Mr. Greenwald also thinks that it would be fun for there to be a challenge between the advanced team and the World Champion team.

The Response to Mr. Greenwald's Idea:

Mags appreciates what Mr. Greenwald says, and agrees with the completely objective selection of the teams. We decided not to decide on anything quite yet, as it is still early, but we have decided that it is important to have a completely objective system. If we decide to hold extra practices in the Milwaukee area or Madison area, attendance will be marked and posted for both. Xerox rounds would be difficult to obtain, but we could just write who answers what questions and clip it to the rounds for easy tracking.

ii. Ludi Practices:

- i.** They will happen.

E. Spirit:

- i.** The spirit themes are up and are as follows:

Tuesday- Old Western Classics

Wednesday- Lone Star Struck by Latin

Thursday- Throwback Thursday #purpleandgold

Friday- Tiber River Walk

F. T-Shirts:

- i.** T-shirt sizes need to be sent to Mags by the May meeting, and colors will be chosen then as well. The color will be chosen based on what we do for the spirit theme that day.

G. Candidates for NJCL Office???

- i.** There is no protocol currently established for this.
- ii.** Teachers should be looking for students who seem to be interested in running, and those students should send a paragraph as to why Wisconsin should send them as our candidate to the state chairs, executive board, and all schools by the April board meeting.
- iii.** If anyone has any questions of duties feel free to contact Aliyah or any of the other board members.

IV. New Certamen Tournament:

A. Is it on? Location, date, time?

- i.** Yes there is a new certamen tournament! Talk it up within your own Latin clubs so people are aware of it. It will be held April 26th from 1PM-5PM.

- ii. Participants will be assigned to teams with people from different schools in the same level.
- iii. There will be information sent out, and provided at the April board meeting.
- iv. Encourage any middle school latin lovers you know to come and participate.

B. Proctors and Adults:

- i. We have enough proctors and adults, but any who wish to come are welcome!

C. Volunteers:

- i. Pretty much the same as for proctors and adults. We have enough volunteers, but any who want to join us should feel free to come.

V. Service:

- i. We will be having fundraisers for each of the chapters of the WJCL.
- ii. Ruby will be sending out surveys to everyone that give information of each of the optional charities we could possibly be donating to, so that we can vote on which one we would like to help.

VI. The Torch:

- i. Teddy finished this edition of the torch! It will be emailed and put out on the website.
- ii. If anyone has something they would like to be in the torch, they should email him at wjcleditor@gmail.com. Pictures would also be appreciated.

VII. Membership Efforts:

- i. We are trying to get outside people to come and join us at our new April certamen tournament.

VIII. Scholarships:

- i. The board is thinking about giving out a National's packet scholarship. If we decide to do this, we would need to fundraise money for this.
- ii. We are thinking about making it a competition between schools delegations in which each chapter would compete to raise the most money. Whatever school raises the most, would receive a prize at the state conventions, and points would be added to the schools total point count.

iii. One way to raise money would be through a [gofundme.com](https://www.gofundme.com). In which members could go onto the website and give however much they wish to donate. This would be an easy way to crowdsource enough money for a packet.

iv. This idea may be too hard to get ready before Nationals but could definitely be possible for next years state convention.

IX. Website:

i. A calendar was added onto the website. School's Latin clubs should email Fiona with dates of their own clubs events.

X. Miscellaneous:

i. At National Latin Convention we must ensure that students are in their rooms by curfew because this has not been the case in the past. All students attending Nationals have signed a contract saying that they will obey the curfew, and chaperones need to make sure it is enforced.

ii. The "Yearbook" will be exclusively for WJCLers attending National Latin Convention. We will discuss it more in depth at the April board meeting.

XI. Next Meeting: *As Michael calls his dad*

i. Next meeting is April 12th at the Marquette Law School at 11am.

ii. If this unavailable the board meeting will be held at Michael's in Whitefish Bay. More information will be sent out.

Motion to Adjourn: Paul Weiskopf

Second: Eli Judge, no longer supreme overlord

Adjournment: 12:18 p.m. By Michael Kearney, new supreme overlord