Call to order — President Joe Meinecke — 1:37 pm

Welcome from President Meinecke — and thank you to executive board.


Ad-Hoc Committee / State Tournament Site — Peschl & Fischer presented
- Over the Winter Deano Pape reached out to tell us to start thinking about finding an alternate site for the 2016 state tournament.
- UW Whitewater is willing to host and has 1 weekend available.
- Discussion from the floor ensued.
- Can impromptu come back?
- The question of date came up, as this date would shorten the calendar.
- After lengthy discussion, Brittany Newman moved to accept the proposal ‘to hold the 2016 WFCA State Tournament at UW Whitewater on April 1st & 2nd’, 2nd by Rachel Davids. Zack Vrana asked for a straw poll regarding the date, a majority voted in favor of 1st weekend. Question was called. The vote was 24 in favor and 3 opposed and 4 abstentions. The proposal passes.

Secretary Report — Michael Traas
- The 2014 Fall Business Minutes were reviewed, and moved to be accepted by Ernest Chomicki, 2nd by Shawn Matson, and approved unanimously.
- 2015-16 Calendar was reviewed, and will be voted on the official calendar at the fall meeting.

Treasurer Report — Jon Balcerak - written report
- Total income with Bradley Foundation Grant = $25957.00
- Total non-state tournament expenses = $996.99
- Total State Tournament expenses = $17863.00
- Current balance = $14569.41
- The treasure report was reviewed, and moved to be accepted by Shawn Matson, 2nd by Sam Barbuch, and approved unanimously.
President Report — Joe Meinecke —
- President Meinecke echoed his notes from opening statements in thanks to the executive board for their service and appreciation to the general membership for their continued involvement in the association.

President-Elect Report — Deb Weiher-Traas —
- Proclaimed the return of the afterglow (which occurred last night) a success!! And hope to continue the process of continued fellowship of association members.
- Thanked Joe for his work over the past year
- Looking for recommendations for the fall meeting.
- Will be encouraging the State Tournament Site Ad Hoc committee to continue working on securing a permanent host site for the future.

Past President Report — Kirt Graves — provided written report
- The organization acknowledged and recognized this year’s class of Hall of Fame inductees. Ron Steinhorst, Doris Sexton and Bonni Knight.
- The scholarship recipients were __ Daksh Barghava __ Sun Prairie, Kathryn Cichon __ Appleton East, Cole Pankratz __ Waupaca, Kaliegh Pieroth __ Arrowhead, Elizabeth Gartman __ Sheboygan North, and Leon Pan __ James Madison Memorial.
- The Winner of the 2015 William Hintz Memorial Award was Mr. Elliot Fischer of Sun Prairie

Election of Officers —
- Officer Elections — (Treasure and President — Elect)
- Secretary — Nomination
  o Michael Traas
Motion to close Nominations by Ron Steinhorst, 2nd by Ernest Chomicki and accept Michael Traas as Secretary. Approved unanimously
  ■ Our continuing Secretary is Michael Traas
- President-Elect — Nominations
  o Ernest Chomicki
  o Mariah Ervin
Motion to close Nominations by Alice Lanphier, 2nd by Doris Sexton. Approved unanimously
  ■ A vote was taken, and our new President-Elect is Mariah Ervin

State Congress Director — Tim Scheffler — no written report
- The overall number of students that participated in this year’s State Student Congress Tournament dropped by 5 students, but numbers stayed consistent from previous years.
- There was discussion to alter questioning format. Size of chamber, and potentially incorporating congress into the regular sweepstakes awards, but no action was taken at this point. A proposal may be forthcoming at the fall meeting.

TPP Report — Carrie Baker — Written report
- Report is comprehensive. Reviewed the two major concerns that occurred at the state tournament.
  - The first was a question about a student using the internet in the prep room of Extemp but the tournament host was able to find that no WIFI had been accessed all morning and the issue was dropped.  The second was a concern of plagiarism in Oratory.  The concern came forward after the posting of the final round, so the committee send a representative to the round the speech was audibly recorded for the committee, and after review, the student was disqualified.
  - Zach Varna presented a legitimate concern over the implementation of the violation investigation and ramification. The committee will consider a proposal to move forward at the fall meeting
**Category Committee Report** - Ben Kroll
- Presented input for category topics.
- Ben also presented a tournament stats report regarding tournament participation and population of categories.
- Ben would like to form an Ad Hoc committee to review the viability of incorporating congress into regular tournament sweepstakes.

**Program Assistance Report** - Katie McClellan
- Katie had to leave prior to presenting her report, but her written report was reviewed.
- The key points of her report were identification of mentors and mentorship, the availability of instructional videos, and the success of the Coaches’ Clinics and Judges’ Training.

**Communications Committee** - Matt Prost
- The key points of Matt’s report were—Implementation of the new WFCA Logo, continued presence and use of Social Media, the efficaciousness of the Website, the production of Press Releases, and would like to continue to work on Recruitment and Retention of school membership.

**New Business**
- President Meineke turned over the gavel to President Weiher-Traas.
- No other new business was addressed.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 4:34 pm by Kirt Graves, 2nd by Ben Kroll. Passed by majority