

2009 Cross Examination Debate Association (CEDA) Summer Business Meetings Agenda

The Executive Council will meet on Tuesday morning (June 2nd) at 9:30 am in the Sundance hotel. They will review this agenda and that afternoon we will transition into the general business meeting. These sessions will continue until adjournment, no later than noon on Wednesday (June 3rd).

New Business – Requires Official Action by the Organization

- I. Review and Approval of the 2009-2010 Organizational Budget - Presented by ML Sandoz

- II. Clarification of Regional Representation after recent redistricting and elections (text provided by Jeff Jarman)
 - a. Mid Atlantic. Mike Davis was elected 2nd VP, so we need a replacement for him. 1 year term.
 - b. 6 eliminated regions. Amendments went into effect immediately, so they are gone and 3 new regions now exist. The constitution is silent, but I believe: no rep exists and therefore the pres appoints for the purpose of the meeting. The constitution says that vacant regional rep positions are filled by either (1) pres appointment or (2) special election.
 - c. Western regions . A mix of one & two year terms. NW (Beuscher) has a two year, but is combined with RM (Stannard) with a one year. SoCal (Thompson) has a one year, but is combined with West (Hamilton-Tudor) with a one year. In BOTH CASES, in order to keep a staggered appointment, the NEW PACIFIC & WEST reps should start new two-year terms next year. So, the new folks should serve one year. Election or just appoint for one year.
 - d. The SE & SEC combo affects Dave Steinberg & Ryan Galloway. Both are scheduled to start two year terms beginning this summer. We probably should have an election and keep this as a two year term that already began.
 - e. If we have any special elections, the constitution says the Pres should nominate at least two people to stand for election. The special election is authorized by a vote of the Council.

- III. Reconsideration of Omnibus National Tournament Awards Amendment (See attached document for text).

- IV. Extension of current start date to competition season (weekend of September 12-13) and Proposed Amendment:
Article V, Section 7: CEDA approved tournaments may commence no sooner than September 10th.

Current Organizational Planning Items (Requires organizational review)

- I. 2010 Nationals – March 24-28, 2010 (NDT 3/20-23) at University of California at Berkeley.
 - a. Invitation changes (and codifications of recent changes) under consideration
 - i. Release of pairings at open awards ceremony
 - ii. Moving the business meeting during the prelims of the tournament
 - iii. Presentation of all named awards (and academic awards) at the opening ceremony (Release honor roll day before tournament starts)
 - iv. Release of full bracket with triple-octofinals pairings (and/or night before elims)
 1. Daily start times (pairings at 630/7 (online)– round at 8?)
 - v. Two schedules (including non-quad schedule) that feature either –
 1. 4-4-2-4 (current schedule)
 2. 3-4-3-4 (round 8 to day 3)
 3. 4-4-3-3 (octos on day 3, when receptions?)
 - vi. Changed eligibility confirmation rule – How best to comply with?
 1. “Each program entering the National CEDA Tournament is required to submit official documentation from their college or university verifying that each competitor is currently enrolled and in good standing.”
 - vii. Changed judging rule –
 1. At least 2 rounds per judge at the tournament and/or
 2. If schools hire beyond their staff and CEDA cannot place those judges, we reserve the right to charge schools for unplaced rounds or to adjust the commitment of their staff.
 - viii. Scan and release ballots online
 - ix. Clarify language regarding mavericks and elim eligibility – Both partners must fully participate in at least half of the debates to be eligible for elimination rounds.
 - x. Amendment for novice division?
 - xi. Need to incentivize bringing ballot runners from other schools
 - xii. Resolution of 4-4s teams in elims
 - xiii. Strongly encourage collective ground transportation
- II. Creation of ad hoc committee on Novice and JV Debate
- III. Emergency initiatives for finances.
- IV. Site Committee – 2011 Nationals and Beyond
- V. Update - Professional Code of Conduct Committee
- VI. Other committee reports (As needed) – CAD, New Program, etc.

Future Organizational Planning Items (Purely as Discussion Items this week)

- I. Changes to topic calendar
- II. Changes to eligibility standards
- III. Development of new events at tournaments
- IV. Changes to structure of senior elected officials
- V. Implementation of items discussed at the upcoming Summit