

Massachusetts Junior Classical League Executive  
Board Meeting  
Saturday, April 7, 2012  
Barnstable High School, Hyannis  
Sixth Meeting – Minutes

**I. Call to Order: 10:25 AM**

**II. Attendance:**

Board Members:

Eda Kaceli – President, BLA  
Derek Booth – 1<sup>st</sup> VP, LUN  
Samantha Collette – 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, LUN  
Pearl Sutter – Secretary, MTG  
Meghana Vagwala- AMSA  
Chriso Hynds – Parliamentarian, BLA  
Kim Dilego – Historian, MTG  
Rahi Punjabi – Publications Editor, AMSA  
Janet Fillion – State Chair, BLA  
Marjorie Keeley – State Chair, MTG  
Victoria Miklosky – State Chair, BARNST

Guests:

Aaron Ziemer – MTG  
Katelin Marchand – MTG  
Katie Hodge – AMSA  
Elena Angjeliu – BLA  
Tamara Bauer – Franklin HS  
Nancy Sinacola – AMSA  
Anne Nelson – AKF  
Barbara Kirby – BLA  
Emma McMahon – BARNST

Absences

Artem Nurlat – Technical Coordinator, AMSA

**III. Officer Updates 10:26AM**

-Publicity (Derek)

- Publicity Date has been changed to allow more entries
    - April 14<sup>th</sup>
  - He is expecting a few more very soon
  - Contacted Governor's office for a proclamation for Classics Week
    - Which is the same week as School Vacation
  
  - Community Service (Sam)
    - Lots of bags of clothing for the drive have been collected
      - It is a contest so prizes are being chosen
    - Has made rubric for spirit at States
  
  - 10:29: Officer's movie for States
    - Will be worked on the day before the convention
    - Good way to get to know the officers
  
  - 10:31: Current Officer Forum
    - Maybe there should be a new forum in the schedule so people can get to know the current officers better
  
  - 10:33 Officer Updates cont.
    - Elections (Chris)
      - Officers
        - Every office except Webmaster is currently filled
        - 4 positions are uncontested
        - The other ones have competition
      - PowerPoint for Open Forum
        - Monday April 20
          - Each officer sends in 2 questions that are going to be asked pertaining to your office
            - Send to Chriso
            - JCLers can ask questions
              - They must be turned in earlier than Open Forum to check appropriateness
            - Announce at the 1<sup>st</sup> GA for people that people with questions must turn them into Chriso if they want the question to be asked
  - Treasury (Meghana)
    - We have about \$51,000!
    - About \$70,000 after all the Convention money is deposited!
    - Lost some money on Snowball
      - Made close to \$3000 but spent about \$3900
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- 10:39: Two hotels for Convention because there are so many people coming!
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- 10:42: Officer Update cont.
  - Forum Factorum (Rahi)

- Forum Factorum
  - 250 Copies for this issue
  - \$200 spent
  - Issues are being mailed and sent to schools now
  - Forums for States will be mailed to Eda
    - 600 copies for goodie bags
  - Trying to get new schools to write an update instead of just the big ones
- Literary Magazine
  - Forum Musarum
  - Advertisements made for this
  - Published after States, but collecting art and writing at States
- Publications Contest
  - Publications date is extended to the April 14<sup>th</sup>
- Scrapbook (Kim)
  - Scrapbook
    - Nature theme
    - Separate the scrapbook by season
    - Starts with the summer
    - Has sketched the cover pages for each season
    - Getting the box for the scrapbook ready
    - There will be officer pages
  - Scrapbook Contest
    - AMSA and MG have summated for the Scrapbook contest
  - Need pictures from Classics Day
    - Sam will send them to Aaron, who will give them as a flash drive to Kim
  - On Sunday's GA, we could have a slideshow of the whole event
    - We could upload all the pictures to one computer the use that for the slideshow

#### 10:52: Officer Skit for States Idea

- We could do a Snow White and the 7 dwarves skit
- Sam and Kim are in charge of that

#### 10:55: T-Shirt

- Sell for \$12
- Sapphire blue background with teal puzzle pieces

#### 10:56: Officer Update cont.

- Website (Artem)
  - Creating a page for each page of state convention
  - Wants to use the MassJCL twitter account again this year
    - Kim and Sam are making a new one
  - Want to put current certamen rankings, graphic arts, school rankings for each contest, academic testing results, and contest results up during Convention
    - Good idea, but it would be better to have the schedule up

- It would be really hard to keep up to date with all of those results
- People may not be able to check it because there is not great Internet connection
- Send out a survey for feedback about State Convention
  - Maybe they could be filled out during fellowship or sent out after the convention
- Have an officer's comment place on the website
  - Similar to the ones written for the Forum

#### **IV. Judging Contests: 11:06**

- Publicity
  - Derek, Eda, and Rahi
- Community Service
  - Sam, Chriso, and Kim
- Outreach
  - Eda, Meghana, and Pearl
- Website
  - Artem, Eda, and Sam
- Publications
  - Rahi, Kim, and Derek
- Toga Parade Pledge
  - Everyone will be counting it together
  - Mrs. Bauer would like to help count
  - Saturday by Noon, everything is due to the Cave
  - It will be counted Saturday night to be announced Sunday
- Spirit
  - All the officers judge
  - Officers should not judge their own category (school size)
  - The schools can be grouped by size so large schools do not drown out small schools
- Schools can be judged by their size and lined up from Small to Large on the track
  - Sam will email the rubric to Artem for the website

11:13: We could store the clothes for the MassJCL Clothing Drive at the school during Convention

11:16 Roll Call

- Chriso and Sam will do it
- Schools should announce their sizes as part of the criteria:
  - Small: 14 or less (7 schools)
  - Medium: 15 or more (7 schools)
  - Large: Above 60 delegates (3 Schools)

#### **IV. Miscellaneous: 11:38**

- Certamen announcing

- Mrs. Luong may announce the certamen and lead the Certamen meeting
- Mrs. Bauer also volunteered to help with Certamen

## V. Lunch Break: 11:48

## VI. State Convention: 12:26

### -Revised Schedule

- Fellowships
  - No Saturday Night meeting
  - Voting is after "That's Entertainment"
  - This gives officers more time to campaign
- Contests
  - Sight Reading and Dramatic Interpretation is now Friday Night
  - This leaves more teachers available to help with Certamen on Saturday
- Rooms
  - 12 Certamen rooms
  - 18 for Fellowships (in the 1200s)
    - Some may be shared with Certamen
  - Art in the 1600s
  - 10 for Dramatic Interpretation and Sight Reading
- We are going to have small signs just like last year for easier directing
- Big schedules are going to be hung up around the school for people who accidentally lose their schedules
- Academic Testing
  - Different colors for tests
  - Pre-sharpened pencils are important to get
- Open Certamen
  - It may not be necessary because there are Academic Finals and Wild

### Card Teams

### -Other Scheduling

- Ice Cream Social
  - Teachers have volunteered in the past
  - Mrs. Bauer is going to find a scooping team
  - The ice cream is being negotiated
  - Make big signs and have different lines for different flavors
  - Eda will get toppings Thursday night before Convention
- Open Gym on Friday Night is not happening
  - A lot of the athletic equipment had to be replaced because it went missing last year
- Meals
  - Adults need to be present during meals so people do not take more than just their portion
  - However Ms. Miklosky is talking to the food managers about students having the option to buy more if they want
  - There should be 2 choices per student instead of only 1
  - Meal Plan

- Friday Dinner: Sandwiches
- Saturday Breakfast: Carbohydrates
- Saturday Lunch: Popular selections from last year
- Saturday Dinner: Pasta Bar
- Sunday Breakfast: Like Saturday
- Sunday Lunch: Pizza

- Dodgeball

- We need a few officers there besides only students or adults
- We can do it Friday night instead of Open Gym, so people are

entertained

- Ludi

- 2<sup>nd</sup> VP is usually in charge of it
- These are fun contests such as a three-legged race, egg toss, bagged race,

etc

- Tell people what it is and advertise for it
- In the morning during Olympica

- Knight Auditorium

- Nothing can be scheduled to be in there at night
  - Certamen meeting is an exception on late Friday Night

- Certamen Semi- Finals

- This was an idea for a new addition
- Not happening this year
  - Not enough teams
  - No questions that have not been used

- Registration and Busses

- Kids should stay on the busses while the teacher checks in and registers
- Everyone has to go to the Holiday Inn first, even if they are at the other

hotel

- Goodie Bags

- They will either be in hotel rooms, or they will be placed in boxes for each school

- They will not be handed out as the kids go into the hotel
- Sponsors should not let kids leave the hotel until the student has gotten

both their goodie bag and name tag

- The sponsor will pick up these goodie bags if they are not pre-

placed in rooms

- Shuttle Busses

- There needs to be a coning off plan so that kids do not rush the buses to get to or from the school

1:52 A Nurse for Convention is going to be looked into

- Eda motions to end
- Chriso seconds the motion

**Meeting Ends at 1:57**