

Massachusetts Junior Classical League Executive Board Meeting  
July 13, 2013  
Boston University

**Board Members Present:**

Joana Jankulla	President	BLA
Jeffrey Dubuisson	1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	BLA
Connie Chang	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	BLS
Julia Pan	Secretary	BLS
Henry Tsang	Treasurer	BLS
Salomé Kassini	Historian	AKF
Hanna Seariac	Publications Editor	AMSA
Amol Punjabi	Technical Coordinator	AMSA

**State Chairs:**

Tamara Bauer		BARN
Janet Fillion		BLA
Anne Nelson		AKF
Nancy Sinacola		AMSA

**Guests:**

Maia Austin		WIN
Georgie Contreras		BLA
Olivia Painchaud		AKF
Linda Qin		BLS
Sheri Hausey	Sponsor	BLS

**Regrets:**

Katelin Marchand		MTG
Aaron Ziemer		MTG

**Highlights:** *WARNING: A lot of good news and exclamation points!*

- Salomé Kassini's scrapbook theme for next year will be The Nine Muses.
- Connie made a collapsible TARDIS for the Tuesday Spirit Day *Retro Ad Futurum!*
- MassJCL account has \$19,089.13, however after expenses it will be about \$13,000.
- Mentors for officers: Dr. Nelson: Salomé and Aaron, Ms. Fillion: Jeffrey and Joana, Ms. Sinacola: Publications Editor (Hanna) and Amol, & Ms. Luong-: Connie and Julia
- Hanna Seariac is the MassJCL 2013-2014 Publications Editor!
- Jeffrey Dubuisson's MassJCL website received 1st place nationally!

**Upcoming Events:** *Next week: Nationals!*

- July 22-27, 2013: National Junior Classical League Convention at University of Nevada Las Vegas
- August 17, 2013: Executive Board Meeting at Boston University from 10:00-2:00 in room 225.
- November 16, 2013: Executive Board Meeting from Northborough Library 10:00-2:00
- December 6, 2013: Classics Day at Boston University
- January 11, 2013: Executive Board Meeting at Abby Kelley Foster from 10:00-2:00
- March 15, 2013: Executive Board Meeting at Barnstable High School from 10:00-2:00.
- April 11-13, 2014: Massachusetts Junior Classical League State Convention at Barnstable High School

**Minutes:** *The good stuff.*

I. Call to Order 11:22 a.m.

II. Attendance 11:22 a.m.

III. Officer Reports 11:23 a.m.

**Secretary-Julia Pan**

11:23- Julia sent out her June 15, 2013 Minutes 48 hours later to all of the officers and chairs on the 17<sup>th</sup> of June, and Amol published the minutes on June 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Historian-Salomé Kassini**

11:24- Her idea for next year's scrapbook theme will be the Nine Muses, and each muse could be assigned to a MassJCL officer.

11:25- Ava Violich made a digital scrapbook for this year's Nationals that Salomé can look at.

**Technical Coordinator-Amol Punjabi (Website)**

11:26- On the website, Amol added a video of the JCL Song with 5 people singing and 1 person playing the piano. It's from Louisiana.

11:27- Perhaps the current officers could make a video for Massachusetts of the JCL song.

11:28- Amol is almost finished with the new website. He is working on Events with its accordion tabs, Kickoff archives, and teacher registration.

11:29- He is also going to ask Ms. Luong for questions from past Certamen Tournaments.

**Second Vice President-Connie Chang (Nationals Spirit, Roll Call Skit)**

11:30- Connie wants to take a video of herself doing the MassJCL spirit cheers to post on the website for everyone to see.

11:30- Connie passes out 15 Spirit Days Props List..

11:31- Amanda Luong's old MassJCL site from 2002: [www.geocities.ws/massjcl](http://www.geocities.ws/massjcl) with old cheers like Chowda, Who Let the Dogs Out?, & Rock the Body.

11:32-*Tuesday: Retro Ad Futurum*

11:32-Tuesday will be Doctor Who themed instead of Back to the Future. Connie is making wearable tardis which is 2 x 2 x 4 feet tall and is detachable, so she can transport it herself.

11:33- People will have to bring in blue bottoms (like jean shorts) and wear their green State T-Shirt. If people have Doctor Who memorabilia, they can bring it in. Connie has a Dalek.

11:33- Eva Jeffers mailed a full sized David Tennant to Las Vegas already.

11:34- Connie needs Mardi Gras beads and pompoms from Ms. Bauer. Ms. Bauer also has extra yellow and gold T-shirts lying around in a box just in case people need them.

11:35- *Wednesday: Can't Help Falling in JCLove*

11:36- Connie already made red paper hearts that are split in half with mythological couples. For example, one person would be wearing one half of the heart that said Eros, the person's partner would be wearing the other half of the heart saying Psyche and they would sit next to each other so their hearts would combine.

11:37- People should bring in their props that pertain to their mythological character, Connie made recommendations what to bring.

11:37- Partners should be assigned instead of chosen to lessen confusion.

11:38- *Thursday: Waking Up in Roma*

11:38- Connie ordered 35 Small, 15 Medium, & 10 Large shirts. The shirts were originally going to have different text on each one, but in order to keep it consistent she ordered the same shirts.

11:38- Jeffrey arrives.

11:38- Relative Shirt Size of the Shirts:

Small T-Shirt: Amol

Medium T-Shirt: Georgie, Henry, Joana

Large T-Shirt: Jeffrey

11:39- Connie should order 5 more XL shirts.

11:40- People can bring in athletic shorts to wear instead of long pants because it will be 110 degrees at Las Vegas.

11:41- It is suggested that Connie can get sleeping masks at the Dollar Store.

11:42- Connie also says that if people have Monopoly money at home, they should bring it too.

11:43- It is decided that no feather boas should be ordered.

11:43- *Friday- Diamonds are a Roman's Best Friend*

11:44- Everyone should bring their own togas.

11:44- Connie ordered 35 lightweight pickaxes, which are detachable. She was thinking to make it look more like miners that everyone should buy their own headband flashlights?

11:45- The board thinks that having everyone buy their own headband flashlights will be too expensive and probably no one will actually buy them.

11:45- Joana recalls the plastic hats Katelin had last year; Connie will see if iParty has any plastic construction hats. The difference between a construction worker and a miner is that the miner has a

headband flashlight for the dark.

11:46- Henry suggests that they can print the front of a miner hat 8 per page and glue it onto the plastic construction hats. For some hats, Connie can buy LED lights/stick up lights from Home Depot and place it on the hats. Ms. Bauer just threw away a whole bunch of LED stick up lights from her house.

11:47- Transportation of Spirit Materials:

11:47- The tardis will be placed in Connie's checking bag, and she will slip the hearts between them.

11:48- The pickaxes are transportable; would it be possible for everyone to open up their suitcases and place the pickaxes in them? The Chairs suggest that Connie should mail the pickaxes in Ms. Bauer's box. There are approximately 3 boxes being shipped for MassJCL to Las Vegas.

11:50- Ms. Sinacola will use Roman numerals on her box i.e. I of III, II of III, and III of III.

11:50- Ms. Fillion is also shipping a box from BLA to Las Vegas; this box is not IV of III, Connie.

11:51- Connie says that she is already 50 bucks over on the Spirit Budget. Henry says that she can have those 50 dollars

11:53- However, the 5 XL t-shirts will cost 150 dollars plus rush shipping—Ms. Fillion said that Connie can have the company mail it straight to Vegas.

11:54- Emma is at work will try to get the newly updated MassJCL Constitution to Amol as soon as possible.

### **Treasurer-Henry Tsang (Nationals Reimbursements)**

11:55- The current MassJCL account has \$19,089.13. It is still pending because of subsidies, the bill for custodians (~\$3000), and reimbursements for Publication Editor. All the Nationals reimbursement checks have been written except for Ma Keeley.

11:56- Henry has reorganized all the spreadsheets.

11:56- 2/3 of the subsidies checks have been cashed in.. \$5000 worth of subsidies are still on hold.

11:57- Probably after all these expenses we will have \$13,000 in the account. Connie has the Spirit Party receipts for Henry to reimburse.

### **First Vice President-Jeffrey**

11:57- Jeffrey has gotten a few more professors to talk at Classics Day Professor Rissoni for example will be talking about the Italians & calendars.

### **Chairs**

11:58- Chairs remind all the officers that when they are not emailing the current board, everyone should bcc the email addresses, otherwise it is a breach of privacy.

11:59- Mentors:

Dr. Nelson: Salomé and Aaron

Ms. Fillion: Jeffrey and Joana

Ms. Sinacola: Publications Editor (Hanna) and Amol

Ms. Luong-: Connie and Julia

12:00- For the officers, do not email a teacher back until you clear what you say to a teacher with your mentors.

12:01- If the email is very straightforward, for example just asking a date of an event the officer should still bcc their mentor.

12:03- Last year, an adult wrote undeserving, scathing criticism to an officer. Come to the mentors first if that happens to an officer this year.

12:03- Ms. Hausey arrives.

12:04- Ms. Bauer loves trouble; she likes to tell people off by writing letters.

12:06- There should be an email contact list, because some sponsors did not receive last month's minutes. Joana says it is almost completed, she is waiting for the new publication editor's emails.

### III. Publications Editor Vacancy

12:07 p.m.

12:07- Katelin Marchand

- 6<sup>th</sup> year in MassJCL.
- When she was an officer, she got to experience the inner workings of the board .
- She judged this year's State Publications contest.
- Was Mt. Greylock's Newsletter Editor in her sophomore year
- Contributes to the *Forum Factorum*
- Perspective Editor of her school's newspaper *The Echo*
- She will continue the Ask Pythia column that Joana started
- Artwork submitted to the *Forum Factorum* could equal bonus points.

12:10- Hanna Seariac

- AMSA JCL President
- MassJCL officer needs to reach out to everyone. Hanna stayed in JCL because a former publications editor encouraged her to come to all the events.
- She has talked to two past editors she can catch on quickly
- In the Newspaper Club.
- She wants to implement award-winning creative arts pieces, more certamen articles, get articles from students who are in under-represented schools, book reviews, and a This Month in Rome column.
- She wants to be the MassJCL editor that will inspire others and will be the best Publications Editor that she possibly can be.

12:12- Olivia Painchard

- She has attended 3 State Conventions.
- Experience at the Worcester Gazette
- Grandmother works in journalism, so she can get help if needed.
- Believes in self-expression and creativity.
- We should enjoy the Classics just like we study them.

12:14- Maia Austin

- Staff Writer for *Red and Black*, Winchester High School's newspaper.
- Publications Editor for own chapter, where before this year they never had a newsletter.
- The WHS JCL newsletter includes community service, recent events, and trivia/news.
- An idea she has for the *Forum Factorum* is that she will ask a professor with Classics related curriculum or research to write an article.
- She won 1st place for English fictional story at the most recent State Convention.

#### 12:16- Linda Qin

- There are 2 main duties of the Publications Editor: 1. acquiring articles and editing them  
2. compiling the articles and overseeing the layout
- Qualifications: one of four copy-editing heads for BLS' newspaper *The Argo*, layout member for the literary magazine *The Register*, and is on the publications team for BLSJCL.
- She is fluent in InDesign.
- Plans to change the layout a little and clean it up.

#### 12:18- Georgie Contreras

- She has attended 4 State conventions and 3 National conventions.
- In 9th grade she became reporter at BLACC, where she wrote about all the JCL events for the newsletter.
- She was co-editor with Joana and the BLACC newsletter won 1st at States and 2<sup>nd</sup> at Nationals.
- Has written for the *Forum Factorum*.
- Has a spectator experience of what being a board member is like because she has been to many board meetings.
- Additions to the *Forum Factorum*: recaps of Congress, maintaining the Ask Pythia column but she will make up questions on her own instead of waiting for questions, and she will continue the fun section including the certamen brainteasers.

12:21- Joana passes out the publications editor candidate resumes. The board enters into a voting session, while candidates leave.

1:01- Candidates return and Joana announces that the 2013-2014 Publications Editor is Hanna Seariac.

## IV. Contest Rules

1:02 p.m.

### **New Additions/Edits**

1:02- Jeffrey announces that his website got 1<sup>st</sup> place nationally! CONGRATULATIONS JEFFREY!

1:03- Something should be added to the chariot competition that it must be safe.

1:05- 1 pound of beans could be used for the shot put competition instead of an actual shot put. Last year, the shot put went backwards and hit the roof, and they do not want to damage the school.

1:05- Ms. Fillion: If we have the same category with Nationals and States rules they should be the same.

1:07- Nationals Graphic Arts slips had descriptions.

1:08- Art is not about winning prizes, but JCL conventions are about winning prizes.

1:08- The judges are not art teachers, so it helps when people include a description and the methods they used to create the art.

1:09- Make sheets of the info slips which will be sent out to the sponsors where students can fill it out except for their ID number.

## V. Other

1:10 p.m.

1:10- November 16 does not work for Abby Kelley Foster. We should ask about libraries or colleges in Worcester if they are free on Saturdays. We could eat lunch while we talk.

1:12- Amol says that the Northborough Library is open until 4, he will reserve it from 10:00 to 2:00 on the 16th of November.

Joana Jankulla moves to adjourn the meeting.

Jeffrey Dubuisson seconds the movement.

Connie Chang thirds the movement.

## VI. Adjournment

1:13 p.m.

**Duration:** 1 hour 51 minutes