

IFA Business Meeting Minutes
2024 International Forensics Association Fall Business Meeting
7 March 2025

Roll Call

Members Present: Rutgers, Bradley, CC, EPCC, Grossmont, LPC, PCC, SD Mesa, SDSU, Texas Southern, UCSB, Utah

Presidents Report

Welcome, Follow the social media, IFA is experiencing lots of growth

Treasurers Report

Financially health, at about \$15k before tournament

Lots of savings due to moving off hotel sites

Scholarship fund has \$4500

VP Report

Glad to have you at Utah

Tournament Updates

Campus rules (keep space clean, no food on carpet, return rooms to original condition, no smoking areas...please observe them)

Tournament accommodations (food, etc.)

Plan for spectators

Transportation

Elevators will ask you to be patient

Secretary's Report

NCA update

International Liaison

See pamphlet

If you need help with tours, let me know

See pamphlet for navigation tools

Old Business

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Both Expire

New Business

Membership Amendment

Discussion

Amended – March to March to registration

Moved to online vote

Proxy Voting

Lots of schools would like to vote, can't attend NCA, people would like to vote

Move to amend – no attending member can hold more than two proxy votes (as a means to maintain deliberative balance – Passed

Goes to online vote

Site Selection Bids

3 bids for three cities

Hotels are great, we can get food and beverage

Limited effort was made to find campuses

We can alternate and we should also look two years out

Financial liability

Safety risk

Campus bad: Weekends cause missing more classes, and we won't get to tour around as much

Campus bad: People expressed desire to nap in their rooms. They also expressed the desire and convenience allowed for them to drink during the tournament day.

Knowing in advance is helpful

Perhaps it would be good to have the experience before we take a vote

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The organization should look into liability insurance

VOTING

Lisbon –

Pacific

Warsaw –

Athens –

Everyone else

Secretary Nomination

Bryon from Kim Perigo – seconded

Bryon submitted statements (no documents were shared) and Nick endorsed him

President

Michael McHan – seconded

Unopposed

International Liaison

Trendi Nguyen – seconded

Unopposed