



**TJCSGA State Executive Board Agenda**  
September 14, 2025

**I. Call to Order**

Meeting was called to Order by Madame President 9:43

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr Parliamentarian Led us in the U.S. and Texas Pledge.

**III. Moment of Silence**

Mr Parliamentarian Led us in the Moment of Silence.

**IV. Roll Call**

**A. Madam President | Courtney Hensley- Present**

**B. Madam Vice President | Arianna Beck - Absent**

**C. Treasurer | Brook Tilahun- Present**

**D. Secretary | Sean Paegar - Present**

**E. Parliamentary | Joel Dunacusky- Present**

**F. Madam Historian | Alicia Garcia- Present**

**G. Madam Host | Mitzy Ruiz- Present**

**H. Madam State Advisor | Kelly Sonnanstine- Present**

**I. Madam Advisor-Elect | Jana Vise- Present**

**The Quorum has been Met.**

**V. Orders of the Day**

**Orders of the Day: The president would like to entertain a motion to approve the orders of the day barring any grammatical errors and accepting them as writ.**

Joel Dunacusky (TVCC-Terrell) Moves to approve, Seconded by Brook Tilahun (DC, Richland)

Madame President then put the motion to a vote, the ayes have it and the motion carried.

## **VI. Reading and Approval of the Minutes**

**Minutes: The board would like to entertain a motion to dispense the reading of the minutes barring any grammatical errors and accepting them as writ.**

Alicia Garcia (TVCC-Athens) moves to approve, seconded by Sean Paegar(Collin College).

Madame President then put the motion to a vote, the ayes have it and the motion carried.

## **VII. Officer Reports**

- A. **Advisor-Elect**- No Officer Report.
- B. **Advisor**- Thank everyone for the hard work.
- C. **Host**- No Officer Report.
- D. **Historian**- Made a few social media posts to maintain engagement and published Mr. Treasurer birthday post. Took everyone headshot before the meeting and will post them once everything has been approved.
- E. **Treasurer**- Praised everyone for their hard work. Updated the tentative budget and will present it later in the meeting.
- F. **Parliamentarian**- Created the dress and will discuss it later in the meeting.
- G. **Secretary**- Finalizing the previous meeting minutes and coming up with an action plan to reach out to the various region secretaries to get a list of their active members and also alumni to update on to the webpage.
- H. **President**- Proud of everyone for the hard work they have done. We should work individually to have the website present and updated. Currently in search of a new VP.

## **VIII. Old Business**

### **IX. New Business**

#### **A. Logo/Theme**

Madam president told us to review the Logo and yield the floor to madame Historian to present, however we could not find the most up to date version of the new logo therefore, madame Historian Alicia Garcia (TVCC-Athens) moves to table the discussion of the logo until the new updated logo was available, seconded by Brook Tilahun (DC, Richland).

## **B. Goals**

PreCon and Community Service.

Increase membership 2 per region.

Get Sponsorship( College Fair, Texas Business, Grants).

Change the Game(Dress Code).

Linkedin.

Better Records.

After listing the goals Madame President opened the floor for discussion, there was none.

Madame president entertains a motion to vote on the goals.

Joel Dunacusky (TVCC-Terrell) Moves to put to a vote, seconded by Alicia Garcia

(TVCC-Athens)

Madame President then put the motion to a vote, the ayes have it and the motion carried.

## **C. Dress Code**

Madame President directed us to review the updated dress code and yield the floor to Mr Parli. The new dress code focuses on what's defined as inappropriate and shifts what is allowed to the individual schools advisor. After reviewing, Madame President entertains a motion to approve as writ. Joel Dunacusky (TVCC-Terrell) Moves to approve as writ, seconded by Brook Tilahun (DC, Richland).

Madame President then put the motion to a vote, the ayes have it and the motion carried.

## **D. Campaign Documents**

Madame president directed everyone to where they could find the new updated campaign guidelines to review. We stated more explicitly that no official campaigning be done at region or on social media prior to the first nomination committee meeting.

Madame President entertains a motion to approve as writ. Brook Tilahun (DC, Richland).

Moves to approve as writ, seconded by Sean Paegar (Collin College).

Madame President then put the motion to a vote, the ayes have it and the motion carried.

## **E. Competition Guidelines**

Madame president directed everyone to where they could find the new updated competition guideline to review. Madame Advisor mentioned she had not gotten the chance to approve the rubric but you can change it pending the rubric changes. Approve it pending reservation to the essay rubric update. Madame Historian point of inquiry to have Chapter of Excellence(C.O.E.) in competition guidelines. Mr Secretary then agreed that it should be included so that everything will be in one place and that will make it easier for when people are looking it up. Madame president entertained the motion to include C.O.E. in the competition guidelines. Alicia Garcia (TVCC-Athens) made the motion, seconded by Sean Paegar (Collin College).

Madame President then put the motion to a vote, the ayes have it and the motion carried.

Madame President entertains a motion to approve competition guidelines as writ, pending renovations to essay and C.O.E. award.

Joel Dunacusk (TVCC-Terrell) Moves to approve as writ, seconded by Brook Tilahun (DC, Richland).

Madame President then put the motion to a vote, the ayes have it and the motion carried.

#### **F. Constitution Amendments**

Madame president directed everyone to where they could find the new updated constitution amendment to review. Madame Advisor Kelly clarified this is what we want the constitution and bylaws committee to review at the convection. Most of what we want to amend are a couple of grammatical errors. Potentially increase dues to adjust for inflation. Clarify no College Admin can have more than 5 student governments and if so it will affect their voting power. Minutes document should be turned over to the advisor and a copy on cloud storage for access. Members shall be responsible for payment dues March 1st of each year. Madame President entertains a motion to approve as writ. Brook Tilahun (DC, Richland) moves to approve as writ, seconded by Joel Dunacusk (TVCC-Terrell)

Madame President then put the motion to a vote, the ayes have it and the motion carried.

#### **G. Tentative conference schedule**

Madame president directed everyone to where they could find the new tentative conference schedule to review. Madame President entertains a motion to approve the tentative schedule as writ. Brook Tilahun (DC, Richland) moves to approve as writ, seconded by Sean Paegar (Collin College).

Madame President then put the motion to a vote, the ayes have it and the motion carried.

#### **H. Tentative 25-26 budget**

1. Madame President yielded the floor to Mr Treasurer to present on the budget and he shared this with us his proposal for the 2026 convention based upon projected income. 47 schools paying 300 dollars, at least 400 delegates for 350 dollars, and hoping for 70 advisors for 350 dollars. We don't currently have any sponsors. The total from all this would be \$178,600. Our current balance as of today is \$4,978 and the projected income is \$178,600. Projected expenses are \$136,088.95(pending if we need more lapel pins) leaving a balance of \$42,511.12 (this does not include the current balance of \$4,978).

#### **II. Projected Expenses are:**

- A. Name Tags - \$110.
- B. Meals approximately - \$89,635.33.
- C. Supplies & Decor- \$1,300.

- D. A/V - \$10,00
- E. Convention Hotels - \$5,070
- F. Convention T-Shirts - \$3,800.
- G. Entertainment - \$6,000.
- H. Fall meeting - \$5,573.62.
- I. Scholarships - \$2,000.
- J. Printing - \$500.
- K. Awards - \$4,500.
- L. Advisor Association - \$3,000.
- M. Giveaways - \$1,200.
- N. Maintenance- \$2,000
- O. Travel - \$1,000.

Once Mr Treasurer was done presenting, Madame President entertained a motion to approve the tentative Budget as writ. Brook Tilahun (DC, Richland) moves to approve as writ, seconded by Sean Paegar (Collin College).

Madame President then put the motion to a vote, the ayes have it and the motion carried.

### **I. Workshop topics**

Madame President directed everyone to where they could find the workshop topics and then listed the workshop topics

- A. Ai in School.
- B. Financial Fitness.
- C. Advocating for your peers.
- D. Networking for Introverts.
- E. Shark Tank Something.
- F. Turning Setbacks into comebacks.
- G. Leadership Development.

Madame President entertained a motion to approve the workshop topics as writ. Brook Tilahun (DC, Richland) moves to approve as writ, seconded Joel Dunacusky (TVCC-Terrell).

Madame President then opened the floor up for discussion at which point Madame Historian then stated that Ai in School as a topic is a touchy subject because it takes away from students who put in the hard work. Mr Secretary then stated his original idea behind proposing Ai in Schools as a workshop topic as coming from a way to use it as a resource and in a proper way since it has become more intertwined with our way of learning. Mr. Parli then spoke more on the matter about it being about Ai not just in school but general and our way of life and how technology is constantly shifting and give an analogy of people reaction to google at first and how people thought it was going to be the end of free thinking and it is more about moving and progressing with technology and less about people using it to cheat. Madame advisor then gave an example of how people were against calculators when the first electronic calculator was invented. Madame Advisor-elect also mentions that they have a similar workshop topic at her school from time to time on how to use Ai ethically. Madame Host then asked if we could change the name from Ai in school to help give clarity.

Madame President then put the motion to a vote, the ayes have it and the motion carried.

## **J. Registration Fee Increase**

Madame President yielded the floor to Mr Treasurer to present on registration fee increase.

Mr Treasurer then stated that the Dues will remain the same and proposed Option A, B, and C. Option A, Student registration fee will now be \$350(increased by \$25) Advisor will now be \$350 (increased by \$25) and late registration will stay the same at \$400. Advisor Registration Total will be \$24,500.00. Attendee registration total will be \$140,000.00. Dues Total will be \$14,100. Total \$178,600.00

Option B, Student registration fee will now be \$375(increased by \$50) Advisor will now be \$375 (increased by \$50) and late registration will increase to \$450. Advisor Registration Total will be \$26,250.00. Attendee registration total will be \$141,000.00. Dues Total will be \$14,100. Total \$181,350.00.

Option C, Student registration fee will now be \$365(increased by \$40) Advisor will now be \$375 (increased by \$50) and late registration will increase to \$450. Advisor Registration Total will be \$26,250.00. Attendee registration total will be \$150,000.00. Dues Total will be \$14,100. Total \$190,350.00.

After listing the options Mr Treasurer then advised that we go with either A or B so that we do not end up losing schools in the process because they cannot afford the increase.

Madame President then entertained a motion to put to a vote 2026 A.

Joel Dunacusk (TVCC-Terrell) Moves to vote 2026 A, seconded by Brook Tilahun (DC, Richland).

Madame President then put the motion to a vote, the ayes have it and the motion carried.

## **Madame President then entertained a motion to table from the Table Logo and Theme.**

Joel Dunacusk (TVCC-Terrell) Moves to take from the table the Logo and Theme, seconded Alicia Garcia (TVCC-Athens)

Madame President then put the motion to a vote, the ayes have it and the motion carried.

Madame president then directed everyone to the location of the Logo and then clarified that we are only voting on the Logo and Theme Design.

Madame President entertains a motion to approve Theme and Logo as writ. Alicia Garcia (TVCC-Athens) moves to approve as writ, seconded by Brook Tilahun (DC, Richland).

Madame President then put the motion to a vote, the ayes have it and the motion carried.

## **K. 2027 Conference Location**

Madame President yields the floor to Madame Advisor-Elect and Madame Advisor elect then proposes that the conference take place in Houston since it will be closer to her and makes it easier for her to do all the prep leading up to the Convention and mentions San Antonio as an option as well but her con is that she is not as familiar with the place. A suggestion was made to shorten the convention by a day by Madame President Advisor and Mr Parli Advisor gave a counter argument that students might not be too happy about the shift.

Madame President entertains a motion to vote that the 2027 convention be in Houston Texas. Brook Tilahun (DC, Richland). Moves to approve as writ, seconded by Seconded Joel Dunacusky (TVCC-Terrell).

Madame President then put the motion to a vote, the ayes have it and the motion carried.

#### **L. 2028 Conference Location**

Mr Treasurer made a motion to table the discussion for the 2028 Conference Location for further research but to have a decision by January 1st. Motion was second by Sean Paegar( Collin College).

**X. Announcements**  
**No Announcement.**

**XI. Adjournment**

**Madame President adjourned the meeting @10:59am.**