



First General Assembly Minutes

Friday, April 26, 2024

AT&T Hotel and Conference Center

- I. Call to Order - 1:31 p.m.**
- II. Opening Ceremonies - Ernest Mafawanikisa, Dallas College - El Centro**
 - A. Pledge of Allegiance
 - B. Texas Pledge
 - C. Moment of Silence
- III. Roll Call - Ethan Lucas, Navarro College - Midlothian**
 - A. Quorum has
 1. 66 Advisors
 2. 294 Delegates
- IV. Orders of the Day - Ethan Lucas, Navarro College - Midlothian**
 - A. Denise Jimenez, Trinity Valley Community College - Athens Campus
 1. Motions to approve the orders of the day.
 - B. The motion was seconded, however we do not know by who and what school due to the microphone being cut out.
- V. Reading and Approval of the Minutes - Ethan Lucas, Navarro College - Midlothian**
 - A. Ana Barcenas, Trinity Valley Community College - Athens Campus
 1. Motions to dispense with the reading of the minutes barring any grammatical errors accepting them as writ.
 - B. Ethan Ecker, Amarillo College
 1. Seconds the motion.
- VI. Officer Reports**
 - A. Advisor Miyoshi Holmes, Dallas College - Cedar Valley
 1. There were no issues from the hotel. Reminder to everyone that we do have a dress code policy and make sure to have your nametag when you attend general sessions.

- B. Advisor-Elect Dr. Courtney Skiles, Trinity Valley Community College - Athens
1. No Report.
- C. Host School Timon Ovard, Tyler Junior College
1. Registration yesterday and accepting awards this morning has gone smoothly. I have received resolutions from Region 2, Amarillo College, and Collin College. The quiet room will be set up today in Classroom 114. If you are in a committee you need to attend your committee meeting during think tanks. If the Awards Committee has any issues or needs any assistance, the advisor or chair can find me and I will assist as needed.
- D. Historian Esperanza Trevino, Victoria College
1. I am creating slideshow refreshers for everyday. They will be playing in the background for all to enjoy. If you or region want to be a part of the memories don't hesitate to come up to me or the paparazzi committee and ask for a photo.
- E. Treasurer Journey New, Collin College
1. Since our last assembly we have paid for our keynote speaker, hotel charges, and target runs, so the current budget is **\$67,292.13**.
 2. Reminders to schools running for a State Officer position bring me the required documents before the close of this meeting.
 3. Anyone who has checked in and has not verified they have paid registration or dues needs to do so after this assembly.
- F. Parliamentarian Ernest Mafwanikisa, Dallas College - El Centro
1. The dress policy is now in full effect and floor parli will be checking participants' outfits before entering the general assembly. This is a professional environment and it is important that all participants respect the dress code and rules.
 2. The standing rules presented yesterday were approved by more than 2/3rds of the general assembly during our first session.
- G. Secretary Ethan Lucas, Navarro - Midlothian
1. The minutes are completed and Madam Historian uploaded them on the website; they can be located underneath the Agenda and Minutes tab in the 2024 convention details tab.
- H. Vice President Desteny Espinoza, San Antonio College
1. We are thankful for our workshop speakers and will be presenting them with an award certificate. We had an amazing night last night with both entertainments. We are all super excited for tonight's event which is the Music Evolution Met Gala! We will have awards for the best outfits of the night

- I. President Genesis Forman, Trinity Valley Community College - Athens
 - 1. It has been amazing interacting with everyone. Committees I have been checking in and will continue to check in. If you have anything you need, get a hold of me or the other officers and we will help you as soon as possible.

VII. Old Business

- A. Opening Ceremonies - April 25, 2024

VIII. New Business

A. Committee Reports

- 1. Judicial Committee - Ernest Mafwanikisa, Dallas College - El Centro
 - a) We have reviewed the set of ground rules that guide our committee and this has been beneficial to strengthening our understanding.
 - b) We discussed the importance of impartiality and fairness in our decisions
- 2. Nominations Committee - Journey New, Collin College
 - a) We have candidates for President, Vice President, and Parliamentarian and Advisor Elect
 - b) We have positions open for Secretary, Treasurer, Historian, And Host.
 - c) If you are interested in the open positions, we must have all campaign documents before the morning assembly on Saturday.
- 3. Constitution & Bylaws Committee - Jayden Retiz, Paris Junior College
 - a) A lot of great conversations about bylaws. Healthy conversations respecting differences. We will have another meeting tonight.
- 4. Resolutions Committee - Zach Molina, South Plains College
 - a) The resolutions committee has received a few resolutions and is in the process of reviewing them. Thanks to all the committees here today.
- 5. Awards Committee - Alexandria Reckly, Dallas College - Mountain View
 - a) We started at 9 am this morning and there are still 24 schools competing in all areas. We are still working on them now. We are working hard to maintain fairness.

IX. Announcements

- A. Think Tanks - 2:00 P.M.-3:00 P.M.
- B. Region Meetings - 3:30 P.M.-5:00 P.M.
- C. Dinner On Your Own - 5:00 P.M.-8:30 P.M.
- D. Optional Committee Meetings - 8:30 P.M.-10:00 P.M.
- E. Meet the Candidates - 9:00 P.M.-10:00 P.M.
- F. Entertainment - Met Gala, Music Evolution: 10:00 P.M.-12:00 A.M.

G. Breakfast & General Assembly - Saturday, 8:30 A.M.-10:30 A.M.

X. Adjournment - 2:08 p.m.