

## WSO Board Meeting

January 5, 2013

Teleconference

Members present: Susan Britain, Rick Grote, Sheila Guard (Treasurer), Michele Lumetta, Sue Murphy (State Director), Scott McComb (Vice-Chair), Deanna Phillips, Diana Rhodes (South Central Region Representative), Clarene Ricarte (Secretary), Jack Stump.

Members absent: Garry Lee (Chair).

- I. 9:00 a.m. Meeting called to order by Vice-Chair, Scott McComb.
- II. Roll call (see above).
- III. Approval of previous meeting minutes – Minutes of 9/29/12 Board Meeting were approved with identified correction (YVCC tournament date – 2/9/13) by proper motion, second and vote.
- IV. Reports

**Treasurer (Sue for Sheila)**: Sue reported that checking account balance of \$16,387 (\$22,314 revenue to date and \$7,850 in expenses). Savings account balance of \$10,561 (\$11.30 interest in 2012 with \$1,250 earmarked for eastern Washington regional tournament).

**State Director (Sue)**: Sue reported that we have 121 registered teams (57B and 64C, with 17 new B teams and 1 C team). For the sites:

Highline: 8 B and 16 C; Lower Columbia: 9 B and 18 C; Seattle CCC: 19 B and 19 C;  
Spokane: 12 B and 11 C; and Yakima: 9 B

### **Regional Reports**

- (1) **Eastern (Sue/Michele)**: (Spokane Community College). Tournament director is starting to get event supervisors and everything appears to be on track.
- (2) **Northwest (Susan/Sheila/Scott/Clarene)**: (Seattle Central Community College and Highline Community College). SCCC-Tom working on getting event supervisors. HCC-Scott had meeting with Judy and Rich and everything seems to be on track.
- (3) **South Central (Diana)**: (Yakima Valley Community College). Tournament is only about a month away. They've had lots of good help. Has tests from most events.
- (4) **Southwest (Rick)**: (Lower Columbia College and Clark College). Meeting with LCC next week – nothing to report at this time.

### **Committees**

- (1) **Funding (Rick, Garry, Sue)**: **Donations**: (a) Report on progress of donation letters tabled. (b) Michele has contact for Battelle and believes WSO may have good chance for \$3,000-5,000 if we can target our request toward broad STEM education. Michele will forward contact info and Battelle's focus to Sue to prepare letter. Board members should provide examples indicating Science Olympiad's broad impact on participants. **Marketing**: Student working on video is making slow progress. Anyone with pictures/video should send ASAP ... with final product to be completed by August.

(2) **Tournament (Rick)**: Tournament Directors (TDs) met via teleconference 11/21/12 with consensus to continue with current model of TDs securing their own event supervisors and preparing all tests and would also utilize event sign-up software. This was first opportunity all TDs had been able to discuss issues and felt it was helpful. Based on this information, it was suggested to arrange an annual TD meeting in November instead of forming a Tournament Committee. Based on outcomes from meetings, the Board could better ascertain and address TD needs. Discussion was held on how best to share old tests. Scott will upload some of the tests he's scanned and share on Dropbox as a potential way. Sue would possibly move to WSO web site. There was a concern about security of tests, identifying that only tournament directors would access to Dropbox or WSO web site URL. Sheila has four years of Everett's tests scanned.

#### V. Old Business

**Web Site Redesign**: Rick identified that we really need to have direction in what we want to accomplish before we begin to discuss redesign/costs. Sue will prepare some questions and send to Board members as a starting point for e-mail discussion prior to our Spring meeting. Scott suggested each region's board members survey their coaches to identify how the Board might better serve them – whether through the web site or other aspect.

**Plaque Recognition**: (none identified)

#### VI. New Business

(none identified)

VII. Adjournment & Next Meeting (April 20, 2013, 9-11AM Teleconference). By proper motion, second, and vote, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Clarene Ricarte, Secretary