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Attendance

Invited	Region	Present?
Sue Murphy (State Director)	E	yes
George Sun (Chair)	NW	yes
Scott McComb (Vice Chair)	NW	yes
Marla Haugen (Secretary)	E	
David Rosi (Treasurer)	SW	yes
Sheila Guard	NW	yes
Lei Jiang	SW	yes
Jay Loutherback	E	
Edie Lie	NW	yes
Senthil Natesan	E	
Kuhu Pande (Student Advisor)	E	
Cindy Liu (Student Advisor)	NW	
Saisha Lakkoju (Student Advisor)	NW	
Simon Lie (guest)		yes
Judy Mannard (guest)		yes
Dannica Price (guest)	CWU	yes

Agenda:

- I. Welcome and overview (~5 min)
- II. State debrief (~45 min)
 - A. [Feedback from coaches, supervisors, volunteers, participants](#)
 - B. [Feedback from HS test writers for MS events](#)

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Site	Central to state Very responsive point person = Dannica Interesting features on		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Enjoy the STEM showcase and make awards ceremony start at 5 pm vs. 4:30 pm ● Communicate schedule with custodial staff; check with ES to determine ending time
Events & supervisors			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Check ES experience level prior to States ● Make sure ES understand grading requirements ● Separate events that require more set up (eg, chemistry) ● Limit build signups to 5 per hour unless there are multiple testing tracks ● Make sure all ES get lunch ● Test generation: understand that test needs to be relatively quick to grade ● Name tags for supervisors
Coaches			
Teams			
Other			

- **Dannica's feedback:** overall, things went really well.
- Awards ceremony needs to be in Nicholson to improve seating
- CWU students felt confident about grading
- Surprised that one event took so long to grade
- Building monitors felt they were useful: hooray!

- New provost starts next week, so continued hosting may depend on that person. Dannica believes that CWU can host next year (if Dannica's role still exists)
- **Judy's feedback:** overall, things went really well
- Martha was a great resource (CWU)
- Check-in process needs to be more prepared
- In general, scoring went pretty well; but Optics and WIDI took an inordinate amount of time to score
- Spent the whole day on arbitration; a number of the concepts brought up were frivolous (ie, Dad was the coach and filed arbitration for each of daughter's events)
- Can we put some limits on arbitrations filed per team? (once you submit an arbitration that fails, perhaps the next one there's an added point to their team total)
- Arbitration guidelines: to teams: make sure there's a breach in the rules
- Put a computer in the scoring room for ES to give feedback right away
- **Lei's feedback:** We should have assigned more people to grading; one set of ES was running Optics B and C, and test was written as with essay vs. short-answer questions
- Do we need to recruit as many ES as this year? Let's ask CWU to identify written-event ES (paired with someone who's run the event for another tournament)
- If WSO begins State tournament preparation earlier, then we'll be able to leverage with local expertise
- **Simon's feedback:** need to debug the scoring system ahead of time
- Prepare the ES check-in process ahead of time (symptom of WSO running tournament)
- We're recovering from lack of experience due to pandemic
- ES training briefings held ahead of time would help make sure ES are prepared
- **Sue's suggestion:** WSO would like a commitment from CWU for States and other Regional locations by Aug 1, 2024 so we can broadcast information to teams
- SO rules come out around Sep 3, 2024 (Tuesday after Labor Day)
- **David's feedback:** work with WSU Vancouver to run SW Regionals (many of the key people are going to retire soon)
- **Sheila's feedback:** Perhaps Edmonds College would be willing to host NW Regionals?
- Higher education facilities: Sci Oly isn't on their agenda
- With Flight not in the rotation, Lake Washington Tech may be available (Eddie has been in contact)

III. Board (~5 min)

A. Slate

B. State director 2024+

1. Sue was appointed in 2008 by previous state director, has tried to identify a replacement but none so far

2. Need list of obligations for state director to facilitate recruitment process
3. Revisit WSO board bylaws
4. New State director by Aug 1, 2024
5. We need a process to elect new State director
6. George is going to coordinate with Sue to get the documents from her

IV. Date for summer meeting

- A. [Indicate your availability](#)

V. Next steps