

MINUTES
ORATORICAL COMMITTEE
MEETING OF
JANUARY 21, 2022 at 6:00 P.M.
MID-WINTER CONFERENCE SALON A

1. Call to Order at 6:00 P.M.

Chairman Looker opened the meeting of the Department Oratorical Committee at 6:00 P.M.

2. Salute to the Colors

The Colors were saluted.

3. Invocation, Malcolm Glasgow, 12th District Chairman gave the opening invocation.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Looker led those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Roll Call: Christie White, Americanism and Children & Youth Coordinator

Members present:

Stan Oren, 1st District Chairman- PRESENT
Paul Wiehe, 2nd District Chairman- PRESENT
William Carpenter, 3rd District Chairman- NOT PRESENT
John Looker, Oratorical Chairman- PRESENT
5th District Chairman- VACANT
Roy Terry, 6th District Chairman- PRESENT
Patricia DeWeese, 7th District Chairwoman- NOT PRESENT
Robert Schmoll, 8th District Chairman- PRESENT
Gary Minadeo, 9th District Chairman- NOT PRESENT
Ed Long, 10th District Chairman- PRESENT
Richard Johnson, 11th District Chairman- NOT PRESENT
Malcolm Glasgow, 12th District Chairman- PRESENT
James Lockyer, 13th District Chairman- PRESENT
Howard McClain, 14th District Chairman- NOT PRESENT

Guests Present:

Christie White, Americanism and Children & Youth Coordinator

6. Reading of Previous Minutes

Gary Minadeo, 9th District Chairman moved, seconded by Stan Oren, 1st District Chairman to approve the minutes of the last meeting.

MOTION PASSED

7. 2022 Contest Operations
 - a. Contest Chairman Responsibilities
 - i. Escorts- Stan Oren, Ed Long, Malcolm Glasgow, ?. Holding Room- ?. Monitors- ?. Timers- Roy Terry, Bart Arndt. Moderator- Bill Carpenter, Malcolm Glasgow. Tabulators- Gary Minadeo. Caller- Paul Wiehe. SAL will cover empty spaces. We will invite other judges that we have asked before. We will look for 10 judges.
8. 2022 Oratorical Contest
 - a. Department Finals, Sunday March 6th, 2022
 - D1- Feb 6
 - D2- Feb 26
 - D3-
 - D4- Feb 20
 - D5-
 - D6- Feb 20
 - D7-
 - D8-
 - D9- Mar 6
 - D10- Feb 10
 - D11-
 - D12- Feb 27
 - D13- Feb
 - D14-

There are 3 potential contestants out of District 5, but no chairman. Roy Terry, District 6 Chairman is willing to take them and see if they are interested in traveling and he will get them taken care of.

9. Unfinished Business-

Paul Wiehe asked if contestants can use their notes when they are preparing for the assigned topic. Department will allow contestants to use their notes in the ready room while they take their 5 minutes preparing for the assigned topic.

10. New Business-

John Looker, Oratorical Chairman, passed around books that a contact at the 917 Society gives their students. It is called Celebrating Our Constitution and US Citizenship. It is a book with the Constitution and Declaration of Independence in it. Hopefully this will help in order to get in front of the 8th graders to get them interested in the Oratorical Contest when they become freshman.

Malcolm Glasgow, 12th District Chairman, asked for Oratorical to have their own pamphlet at department like Americanism and BBS does. That will help them appeal to students in schools.

Gary Minadeo, 9th District Chairman brought up the discussion again about stopping the contest, and just sponsor students that are in speech and debate. Oratorical can team up with speech and debate, be present, and give to them financially.

Christie White, Americanism and Children & Youth Coordinator will check on dates after the Standing Commission meetings in order to set a date for an AAR/Budget meeting for Oratorical.

11. Good of the Legion-
None

12. Benediction- Malcolm Glasgow, 12th District Chairman gave the benediction.

13. Adjourned- Gary Minadeo, 9th District Chairman, motioned, seconded by James Lockyer, 13th District Chairman to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:51 P.M.