

2017 SCASD Conference  
Minutes- Secretary Anna Michaelson

- I. Meeting called to order by President Jill Tyler at 12:14pm
- II. Introduction of the Executive Council by Tyler
- III. Motion to accept the minutes from last year's meeting called for. Michael Larson so moved. Leo Kallis seconded. Motion passed.
- IV. Motion to accept treasurer's report from 2016. Travis Dahle so moved. Michael Larson seconded. Motion passed.
- V. Recognition of Anna Michaelson for her years of service as SCASD Secretary/ Treasurer. Michaelson received an award from President Jill Tyler.
- VI. Anna Michaelson introduced Erik Sommervold as the winner of the Community Service Award. Anna accepted the award for Mr. Sommervold.
- VII. Tami Voight introduced the winner of the Outstanding Young Speech teacher award...Luke Cumbee. Mr. Cumbee accepted the award.
- VIII. Sally Pies introduced the winner of the Distinguished Service Award, which was Teresa Fester. Pies accepted for absent Fester.
- IX. In Florida last summer, delegates voted on the top 5 topic resolutions for the 2018 policy debate season. Grace Gill and Luke Cumbee authored a topic. They defended their topic in Florida. Out of the 11 submitted topics, their topic made it into the top 5 topics. It has the possibility to be chosen as the top topic for the next academic year.
- X. Committee Reports
  - A. Josh Westwick- Central States Advisory Committee...no current representatives from South Dakota. We need to work to have representation on this committee which mirrors what happens at SCASD but on a regional level.
  - B. Shane Semmler- Editor for the *Discourse*- Having a panel later today. Successfully able to get Vol. 3 out last year. Bonnie Cooper did a great job copy-editing for the \$700 we paid her. There were a healthy number of submissions.
  - C. Forensics Coaches Association- Travis Dahle- There will be a meeting during district meeting times.
  - D. Jill Tyler- Joint SDTCE convention. We committed to 3 years. This is year 2. Feedback is positive. Decision will be made about whether this is experiment or if it will continue. Membership asked to provide feedback. Can provide evaluation digitally through QR code placed on the tables...or on paper.
- XI. Old Business- None offered
- XII. New Business-

By-laws stipulated new president elected every even year. But two years ago, the years got off when Tyler took over as president. Suggested language "president elected every 2 years" rather than even or odd, so we are not countering our by laws. Leo Kallis so moved. Michael Larson seconded No discussion. Motion passed.

### XIII. Nominations and Elections

- A. Nominations for Central States Representatives: Josh Westwick, Amy Sorensen nominated. Sally Pies moved to elect the nominees. Motion seconded by Jill Perfect. Motion Passed unanimously.
- B. Nominations for President Elect for SCASD: Shane Semmler (declined nomination), Andrea Carlile (declined nomination), Luke and Grace Cumbee (declined nomination), Dr. Liz Sills nominated by Jill Tyler. Michael Larson moved to close nominations. Jan Bergen- Gabor seconded. Motion passed. Dr. Liz Sills elected.
- C. Nominations for Secretary/Treasurer for SCASD: Jill Perfect nominated, Jan Bergen- Gabor moved that nominations cease. Travis Dahle seconded. Nominations ceased. Motion passed. Jill Perfect is elected the new secretary/ treasurer.
- D. Awards and Program Planners Committee: Suggestion that they be appointed by the executive committee. Michael Jacobson nominated to serve on executive committee. Jacobson accepted nomination. Shirleen Joseph nominated. Ashley Boone nominated. Joseph and Boone will be approached later for acceptance of nominations.
- E. Web Page: the SCASD website was updated and made easier to access. The link is: [sdspeech.weebly.com](http://sdspeech.weebly.com). Minutes, officers, discourse, etc. will be uploaded to the site.

IX. Transfer of leadership- President Tyler turned over the gavel to new co- presidents Tami Voight and Danielle Harms. Voight and Harms adjourned the meeting at 1:05 pm.