

FALL MEETING 2008

TEXAS
EDUCATIONAL
COLORGUARD
ASSOCIATION

August 16th, 2008

Agenda

- I. Meeting called to order by Vice President, Phil Salas
- II. Roll call: New Braunfels HS, Brandice HS, Jourdanton HS, Burbank HS, Marshall HS, ICAP, WH Taft, Mathis HS, Clark HS, Martin HS and South San HS
- III. Reading of minutes by TECA Secretary, Ed Gonzales and accepted by acclamation
- IV. Treasurer's report submitted by Meisha Hinojosa (not present) and accepted by acclamation
 - A. Banners cost \$3832.00
 - B. Trophies/plaques/medals \$1897.10
 - C. \$800 still owed to State Host
 - D. After expenditures, TECA should be sitting at \$1000.00
 - E. An itemized list of all income and expenditures will be available online at go-teca.org
- V. Committee Reports

Tom Esperiqueta, committee chair for the restructuring of the Constitution and ByLaws

Submitted a reorganized layout of the current version of the TECA Constitution

Ed Gonzales, committee chair for the restructuring of the Solo and Ensemble Classification

"Within the last few years, the subject of the validity of the Solo and Ensemble competition has become an issue with some of TECA's members. Most of the concern stems from the lack of consistency between sites (which causes later and later contests) and the lack of consistency with posted schedules (which also causes later and later contests.) The committee members who provided input came to the following conclusions.

TECA should keep the Solo and Ensemble portion of competition. It wouldn't be educational to subtract any performance opportunity which enhances the performance level of any performing member; however, since this issue keeps surfacing, restructuring or reformation may need to occur.

There are two possible scenarios that were agreed upon...

Keep S&E Contests as is, but limit the size of the unit contest based on the size of the facility.

Have one S&E contest in San Antonio, one contest in Laredo and one Contest in the RGV area with S&E Championships in late Feb/early March. This would null and void the "2 performance scores" for Championship requirements."

Outcome: TECA will keep the Solo and Ensemble Classification this year but limit entries based on size of venue. Next year (2009-2010 season), TECA will offer 1 Solo and Ensemble Contest in Laredo, RGV and San Antonio with Championships mid season. This will eliminate performance requirements for state qualification, but a minimum score will be required to advance to the State Competition.

VI. President's Report

- A. Resignation of President, Ashley Thornton

- B. Adjudication Affiliation form - all TECA judges will be required to list all affiliations before adjudication assignments will be made.

VII. Unfinished Business

- A. When does the affiliation for past groups expire when it comes to adjudication? Past clients, clinics, student organizations or other performance based groups that have benefited from any adjudicator in any capacity will be “affiliated” for the duration of 1 year.
- B. 2007-2008 DVD problem - Allow video passes for each group.

VIII. New Business

A. Proposals

The following proposals were “voted upon” and accepted by the general membership.

Submitted by Ed Gonzales, New Braunfels HS
2nd by David Eckert, Holmes HS

Article I – MEMBERSHIP

- 1. The membership will consist of Scholastic and Independent colorguard units and Individuals to include all adjudicators.

Proposed amendment: The membership will consist of Scholastic and Independent Color Guard units, Scholastic and Independent Percussion units and Individuals to include all adjudicators, executive board members and associate members.

- II. Fees
 - d. A cancellation fee of \$100.00 will be assessed to any competing unit who does not withdraw from any contest within 14 days (2 weeks) prior to their participation on the contest date. Continued performance opportunities of any kind will not be allowed to continue until the assessed fee is paid in full to the TECA Treasurer. In addition, units may not add to a contest any later than 14 days (2 weeks) of the scheduled contest date

Submitted by Marissa Trevino
2nd by James Johnson

Amendment 2

Article VI section A number 3

Currently reads:

Personnel changes (students) render them noncompetitive in the Scholastic Divisions. It is the responsibility of the unit director to inform the President of the Texas Educational Colorguard Association, in writing, of this situation.

Amend to:

As the TECA follows all UIL/TEA eligibility rules, a roster listing all eligible performing members in a unit must be turned in by each competing guard at their first performance of the season. This roster must be signed by the Principal (Scholastic Units) or the guard director (Non-Scholastic Units) and must be updated as unit membership or eligibility changes.

Amendment 5

Article VII Section I Letter H

Currently reads

The contest coordinator has the authority to assume the responsibility of Contest Director(host) at the Contest Coordinator's discretion.

Amend to

The Contest Coordinator has the authority to assume the responsibility of the Contest Sponsor at the discretion of the majority of the Executive Board Present.

Amendment 6

Constitution Article IV

Currently reads:

ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS

I. The elected officers of the Texas Educational Colorguard Association shall be the following:

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| A. | President | G. Educational Director (appointed) |
| B. | Vice-President | H. Chief Judge (appointed) |
| C. | Treasurer | I. Contest Coordinator (appointed) |
| D. | Secretary | |
| E. | Parliamentarian | |
| F. | Historian/Webmaster | |

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- b. Chief Judge
- c. Contest Coordinator
- d. Percussion Administrator

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B. Nomination of Officers

New President, taking over for Ashley Thornton, Phil Salas

Vice President, Nathan Flynt

Secretary, Ed Gonzales

Parliamentarian, Marissa Trevino

C. Contest Schedule

January 17, 2009 Site TBA

January 24, 2009 Burbank High School - San Antonio

January 31, 2009 Marshall High School - San Antonio

February 7, 2009 Martin High School - Laredo

February 14, 2009 NO CONTEST - TMEA

February 21, 2009 South San Antonio High School* 1st score Requirement

February 28, 2009 Mathis High School

March 7, 2009 Jourdanton High School

March 14, 2009 New Braunfels High School* 2nd Score Requirement

March 21, 2009 Edinburg North High School and Clark High School

March 28, 2009 - TECA CHAMPIONSHIPS Site TBA

D. Contest Site Cap

E. New Scholarship Application Process/Layout

F. Addition of “director expectations” on the ethics form which includes the suspension of privileges for critique

G. Addition of “adjudicator expectations” on the ethics form which includes suspension of adjudication assignments and/or adjudication responsibilities

H. Medal/Awards Committee - A committee was formed to research the cost and possible addition of awards for future seasons. Committee members are David Eckert, Marissa Trevino and Eli Cadena.

IX. Special Announcements - Texas A&M CC will be hosting the 2009 Intercollegiate and National HS Baton Twirling CHampionships on Feb 27-29th. Contact Jennifer Kotzur at icap06@hotmail.com for more information.

X. Meeting adjournment