­GJCL Turnover meeting

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| Location:  | Northview High School |
| Date:  | 5/07/23 |
| Time:  | 10:11 AM |
| Attendees:  | *Committee Members*: Rachel Ash (State Chair), Lisa Piacesi (Public Relations), Eric Adams (Publications), Laura Briscoe (Awards), Andy Paczkowski (Constitutional Advisor), Maura Burke (Records), Alison Smock (Treasurer), Alex Marsh (Academics), Cortney Pickens (Creative Arts), Elizabeth Davidson (Co-Certamen), Alan Farnesworth (Co-Certamen Elect), John Rhilinger (Graphic Arts), David Wilson (Olympika), Kellie Baglio (Programs), Melissa Greer (Convention), Dillon Diamond (Communications), Liz Bouis (Convention Adviser), Jeff Davis (Olympika Elect), Garret Yeats (Awards Chair)*Student Board Members*: Nandu Polavarapu (President), Jacob Sung (1st VP), Sayan Sonnad-Joshi (2nd VP), Daniel Lee (Parliamentarian), Anand Krishnan (Secretary), Jiya Porwal (Historian), Aran Sonnad-Joshi (Editor), Stephen Zhu (Webmaster), Claire Jiang (Host), Alice Feng (Host), Jennifer He (President Elect), Claire Jiang (1st VP Elect), Eunice Maia (2nd VP Elect), Ashley Wang (Parliamentarian Elect), Sadie Crowder (Historian Elect), William Zhao (Editor Elect), Andrew Albright (Webmaster Elect) |

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| Presenter | Agenda Item | Details |
| Rachel Ash | Consent Agenda | Approved |
| Eunice Maia | National Convention Spirit | 1. Eunice Maia proposed the following days to be dedicated towards National Conventions spirit.
	1. On Monday, participants would learn cheers at fellowship
	2. On Tuesday, participants would learn “fly like an eagle, sting like a bee”, Eunice’s eagle cheer, and would receive their state t-shirt.
	3. On Wednesday, participants would be propless. It would also be a dedicated purple and gold day in which all participants must wear purple or yellow t-shirts. Eunice would also lead her purple and gold cheer.
	4. On Thursday, participants could make DIY spirit wear as well as wear their state t-shirts. They would learn Eunice’s peach cheer (to the tune of “All About That Base”).
	5. On Friday, participants would take part in the Day in Rome (procession) and muse-ical. Participants must wear tropical or coral-colored togas with white undershirts, as well as wear laurels with fake flowers. Lyres, wreaths, and inflatables could be carried.
2. During roll call, Georgia will be represented through James and the Giant Peach and peanuts.
3. The cost for spirit will be about $50 per person. T-shirts will be around $12 per person. Pool noodles, black and yellow colored, are expected to be around $2.
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| Rachel Ash | National Convention Planning | 1. Rachel Ash proposed to replace the second dance with a karaoke night. The motion was approved.
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| Rachel Ash | State Convention Review | 1. Ludi/Olympika
	1. It was suggested that Ludi events be split up into smaller groups.
	2. It was brought to attention that some schools were forced to forfeit their participation because they were unable to hear the announcements.
	3. It was suggested that Tug-of-war be moved to a different area.
	4. A soccer tournament was suggested.
	5. People encroached too close to chariots during the chariot race which posed as a safety issue.
2. Graphic Arts competition
	1. All categories were judged, but some were not announced because their results were not on the awards spreadsheet.
	2. There were issues with people submitting other people’s art projects or people who didn’t come to convention that still submitted art.
	3. It was suggested that there be separate virtual and in-person contests and have virtual contests earlier in the year.
3. General Assemblies
	1. Many people said that it was cold inside the auditorium, but it was preferred.
	2. There were also many noise issues during general assemblies. It was suggested to limit cheering during the meeting and to keep the spirit competition but allow noise-sensitive kids to wait outside.
4. State Convention Registration
	1. It was brought to attention that deadlines with increasing costs discourages signing up last-minute.
	2. It was agreed that fees cannot cap costs at $160.
	3. It was also said that schools who had more sponsors than students come, increased student cost. Because of this, it was suggested that they limit the number of sponsors who can come for free or make it proportional to the number of students coming from that school.
	4. It was suggested that state convention caps the maximum price for individual fees but have chapter fees that increase with every deadline to incentivize signing up earlier. It was also said to have a fee for adding or taking away kids after schools sign up, or adding kids at a later sign-up price will incur the chapter fee.
5. Other
	1. Many people agreed that convention should be kept three days long. It should also be the same price to go home Saturday night or Sunday morning.
	2. State Convention Fax should include publicity and other contest information.
	3. Use the GJCL Instagram to make announcements about contests and dance themes.
	4. The Thursday night before state convention should have an online event run by officers to create hype.
	5. It was suggested that online testing be moved into the normal testing blocks.
	6. Make certamen final rounds to an earlier time, since it ran into the trivia session which stopped many students from being able to participate.
	7. It was suggested that voting have a paper option in case the online form doesn’t work.
	8. State convention needs a policy for harassment going forward.
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| Rachel Ash | State Convention | 1. A STEM competition was proposed.
	1. This could include a team competition.
	2. Participants could make siege weapons, architecture, aqueducts. It would include an engineering design notebook.
	3. A workshop at Fall Forum could be used to explain the competition for those who want to participate.
	4. Participants would build it before convention and then present it at convention.
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| Rachel Ash | National Convention | 1. Officers were told to purchase Pre-Convention housing and arrive at convention Saturday morning to help set up.
2. The GJCL needs a banner for National Convention activities.
3. Daniel Lee is approved to run for NJCL Parliamentarian
4. Many ideas were suggested for entertainment hosted by the GJCL such as karaoke, improv/open mic, and a petting zoo.
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| Rachel Ash | Praetoria Planning | 1. The date for Praetoria has not been chosen yet.
2. It was suggested to move the event to November or December so it can be publicized at Fall Forum.
3. Many officers agreed to keep the event online instead of in-person.
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| Rachel Ash | Fall Forum | 1. The date for Fall Forum has not been chosen yet, though it would likely be on October 14th or 21st.
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| Rachel Ash | Position Autonomy | 1. The question was brought up of how much can the board make changes, and how much should the board stay with tradition.
	1. It was voted to move the discussion to the next meeting.
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| Rachel Ash | Harassment Policy | 1. It was agreed that the situation was handled well at state convention, however, a set policy for harassment is necessary for the future
	1. It is not necessary to have an amendment or bylaw, just a policy.
	2. It should be published by October 1.
	3. The policy will be handled by Rachel Ash, Lisa P., Garret Y., Alan B.
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| Rachel Ash | February Event | 1. It was suggested that the virtual event include schools not in Atlanta.
	1. Examples were virtual certamen, virtual art, and virtual testing.
	2. events tailored towards middle-schoolers would also be beneficial.
	3. some non-academic contest ideas (that are different from state convention contests) included meme contests and BeReal contests.
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| Rachel Ash | National Convention planning | 1. The Prop-Making meeting was decided to take place on Saturday, June 10 and be run by officers.
2. Spirit materials would be ordered before the convention deadline of June 8th.
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