
LQBA Annual Board Meeting

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1 - 1:00 PM

ZOOM VIRTUAL MEETING

Agenda

Officer and Committee Reports

1. Roll Call of Members Present

Name	Quiz Bowl Organization
Ashley Dugas	ESA
Ryan Southall	Zachary
Karin Goebel	
Stephen Goebel	
JR Barry	
Dominic Lloyd	
Andrew Medlin	Caddo Magnet
Amanda Lawrence	Caddo Magnet
Becky Talbot	The Dunham School
Jay Mersch	Lusher
Mason Guillot	LSU
Suzanne Williams	Catholic High- Baton Rouge
Kelly Hightower	St. Paul's School
Cody Short	Southside High School
Nedia Crum	Hamilton Christian School
Kristi Minvielle	Catholic High New Iberia
Shannon Poynot	Ascension Episcopal School
Venu Reddy	Tulane University
Kevin Yokum	Jesuit of NO
Elizabeth Hoodless	Jesuit of NO
Heather McGregor	Sam Houston

Anthony Peek	Baton Rouge Magnet
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2. MINUTES Approved as Read 1:25pm Virtually

3. OFFICER REPORTS

a) President - Ashley Dugas

- i) Regional tournaments at Tal Atkins and Xavier, which were very large, and we lowered the cost for registration for in-state teams. At the LQBA-sponsored tournament at Xavier, the income was used to pay for the tournament itself, not to raise money for LQBA.
- ii) Would like to expand regional tournaments to the Lake Charles area
- iii) Ashley will be moving forward into the role of Past President after this meeting. We want to make sure that the organization has longevity going forward

b) President-Elect - Ryan Southall

- i) Transferred in 2019 from VP to President-Elect. Focused on outreach, working hand-in-hand with the current president.
- ii) Email blasts from LQBA, WE NEED COACHES' PERSONAL EMAILS
- iii) Promoting Quiz Bowl across the state, not limited to NAQT.
- iv) Will promote individual school's tournaments and help reach coaches and schools across the state. We are not the director for school tournaments; any questions about the tournament should be directed to the tournament director.
- v) More regional tournaments, especially in the Western part of the state and Hammond/COvington area. Our organization can come in and help run a tournament at your school.

c) Secretary - Karin Goebel

- i) Emails
- ii) Database
- iii) LQBA Promotional items from Tournaments
- iv) AT the tournament, creation and transportation of physical materials
- v) Physical mail outs to state

d) Interim Treasurer - JR Barry and Ashley Dugas

- i) Mark Ebarb stepped down as treasurer, and JR and Ashley took over the treasurer's duties for the second half of the season.
- ii) 4749.50 checkbook total, but we need to access the online banking account. (5300~ in online account). Some people chose not to cash their refund checks from the state tournament

- iii) 38 teams were planning to play at the 2020 state tournament (10 refunds, 10 schools never gave direction for refund, 18 donated registration fees). Everything that we purchased for the state tournament will roll over to the next tournament. When we cut the price for the cut-off tournaments, we did lose money, but donations made that up.
- iv) When we transitioned from LAAC, we used their tax ID number and became a 501(c)3 organization in 2018. LAAC was a privately funded, not publicly funded nonprofit. LQBA does have to pay taxes for previous years due to this. We are working to change it to a publicly funded nonprofit, so that as long as we don't make over \$50,000, we won't have to pay any taxes. Ashley contacted a specialist accountant and will keep the executive board updated about the transition. It may cost money, but we should make the transition for the future.
- e) Webmaster - Stephen Goebel
 - i) We need to add resources for online quiz bowl for the coming year, so students and coaches can keep quiz bowl going despite the need for virtual quiz bowl.

New Business

1. ELECTION OF 2020-2022 OFFICERS (in even numbered years). All positions are unopposed.
 - a. Acceptance Speech
 - i. President- Ryan Southall (Ran and elected unopposed 8/1/20)
 1. Navy Reservist, will keep up duties online
 - ii. President-elect- Stephen Goebel (Ran and elected unopposed 8/1/20)
 1. Focusing on LQBA (stepping back from coaching a high school team)
 - iii. Secretary - Karin Goebel (Ran and elected unopposed 8/1/20)
 - iv. Treasurer - Dominic Lloyd (Ran and elected unopposed 8/1/20)
 1. Quiz Bowl player for Jesuit and for Tulane, and now he's going to serve the organization as treasurer.

- v. Past-President - Ashley Dugas
 - b. Elect on Google Form (not necessary, positions were unopposed)
 - c. Members-at-large
 - i. If people are interested in the positions, they should email Ryan to be added to the roster. MAL are our go-to volunteers and advocates for our organization. There's no limitations on MAL as far as numbers. Not time-demanding during the year. We especially rely on MAL at the state tournament.
 - ii. New MAL: JR Barry, Suzanne Williams, and Anthony Peek.
2. COVID UPDATES
- a. LHSAA will not do anything until Phase 4; it's unlikely that we will have fall tournaments physically, especially a tournament like the 2019 Xavier kick-off.
 - b. Go ahead and sign up for NAQT tournament question sets for the spring; these can always be cancelled later if necessary.
 - c. Scrimmages online or physically; NAQT is setting up online tournament formats for this season. As a coach, focus on having fun, camaraderie, and competing in a relaxed fashion with a smaller number of teams. Students want to participate and are enthusiastic about competing online.
 - d. Amanda Lawrence: We may be able to have tournaments at Phase 3 with social distancing, depending on the region.
 - e. Ryan: Transportation to tournaments may be difficult, as carpooling may be restricted
3. 2021 STATE TOURNAMENT
- a. March-April 2021
 - b. Southside High - same location
 - c. Sponsors rollover to new tournament, we can add new sponsors
 - d. Do teams that "donated" their registration fee to the state tournament in 2020 get to be automatically registered for the next tournament? Or do they need to pay again? No- it was a donation, so teams that re-register for the next state tournament will need to pay a new registration fee.
4. SOCIAL MEDIA

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- a. Facebook group: Louisiana Quiz Bowl Association, private group, for coaches, players, & volunteers (moderated by Ashley)
 - b. Twitter
 - c. Instagram
5. IDEAS FOR ONLINE PRACTICE AND TOURNAMENTS
- a. Virtual Practices
 - b. Online Tournaments
 - i. NAQT account for readers
 - ii. Qblitz (through Qwiz) www.qblitz.org
 - iii. Zoom Guide for online tournaments (Ashley will share)
 - iv. LQBA online tournaments (we have reserved NAQT sets)
 - v. Dominic: Discord has a buzzing system and a typing system for the question (like Protobowl). There is a bot that runs some functions automatically, such as lock outs.
 - vi. How to Prevent Cheating: Timeliness
 - vii. Practice online tournament in AUGust, people can watch it happen online to see how it works, so coaches can be prepared to participate in online gaming
 - viii. Quiz Match app for Practice
 - ix. Coaches at high schools can use Canvas or Google Classroom for Quiz Bowl to schedule practices on Zoom or Meet and post resources and videos. If anyone can find any videos of online tournaments, we should share those. If we set up a Canvas group for Quiz Bowl on the Commons, teachers at individual schools can copy it and add their students. We'll post on Facebook.
 - x. Schools interested in a practice tournament:
 - 1. Lusher
 - 2. Catholic High BR
 - 3. Jesuit
 - 4. Caddo Magnet

5. Baton Rouge Magnet High
6. ESA
7. Zachary

*LQBA buzzer set assignments (N LA?)

We need to buy 2 new buzzer sets, and then have 3 in South LA with Ashley or JR, and 3 in North LA with the Goebels. Let's try to get this done by the end of 2020 so we have plenty of time to get those to the right place before a physical tournament.

Sponsorships: we need to notify sponsors that their sponsorship is rolling over to the next state tournament.

Announcements

1. FAREWELLS
 - a. JR is officially retiring from the position of state tournament director but will remain on the board as a Member at Large.
2. OPEN ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE GROUP
 - a. Amanda Lawrence is planning on continuing the Tal Atkins tournament in the fall online. We had a lot of success at the LSUS tournament and we'll continue that in the future.