

Meeting Notes

Destination Imagination Region 15 Board Meeting 2019-2020

Date: 1/13/2020
Time: 6:30pm
Where: Casa D'Angelo's

Attendees:

Vanessa Fabec, Reed Fuller, Treasure Kriston, Tony Richiutti, Dharmesh Sanghavi, Chrissy Sterling, Jeff Wilson, Jenny Wilson

- 1) Reed moved to approve the Meeting Notes from 11/11/2019. Jenny 2nd. Approved.
- 2) Treasurer's Report
 - a) The Budget vs. Actual Report was reviewed.
 - b) The State Rebate for last season was \$750.
 - c) Jenny needs a PO# from Chrissy (Barberton) and Vanessa will check on Registration payment for Aurora.
 - d) The proceeds from last year's Tournament Barberton Snack Stand was donated to Region 15. Thank you!
 - e) The Barberton Facility Agreement for 2020 has been signed by Reed.
 - f) Chrissy moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Treasure 2nd. Approved.
- 3) Region 15 Tournament Discussion Topics
 - a) There are 38 competitive Teams and 8 Rising Star/Early Learning Teams for a total of 46 this year.
 - i) Forty-six is a critically low number of Teams. First time school, St. Sebastian, makes up 14 of the competitive Teams. Without their participation, it would have likely been difficult for the Region to hold a successful Tournament.
 - ii) There are a lot of competing programs for schools/kids to choose from these days. There is often interest in DI during District info meetings, however, the time commitment for DI over many months, the number of volunteers required for the Tournaments, and the cost of advancing to Globals appear to be a major reasons for lack of Team formation/participation.
 - iii) If this trend continues, combining with another Region could be a consideration. The State has also discussed reorganizing the Regions over the last couple years.
 - b) Likely Challenge combinations for Appraiser Teams this year based on the Challenge distribution will be Engineering and Scientific together and Fine Arts and Service Learning. Technical & Improvisational Challenges will be on their own.
 - c) Jenny will soon send out pin pre-order request to the Coordinators.
 - d) Appraiser scoring will be 100% online this year. Chromebooks will be available for all Appraisers.
 - e) Sherri Sasala has agreed to run the Raffle Basket sales. Kelly Thewlis, Katelyn Koppelberger's sister, has agreed again this year to be the emcee for the Tournament. Raja, Dharmesh's wife, will volunteer in the Scorerroom.
- 4) CM Training is on 2/1. Head Appraisers need to attend as well. Dan Fabec will go to Training for Engineering as the HA. Other Head Appraisers have not been named yet, however, Martina Ambrosic and Kevin Matney were raised as potentials. Heather Kriston was noted as well.
- 5) Team Managers are required to take the online training, Keeping Kids Safe. It's available on the DIHQ site after logging in. Some have reported difficulties to get it to run. Signing the Code of Conduct on that website is also required.
- 6) Reed will contact Jim Miller and Jordan K about background checks.
- 7) Barberton is considering having an IC Day sometime after the Regional Tournament.
- 8) Region 15 Team/Challenge/Level counts are due to the State by 1/25/2020.
- 9) FYI, Globals will be changing their Tournament dates beginning 2021 to fall on the weekend before Memorial Day weekend. It will run from Saturday to Wednesday.
- 10) Region 15 Board Meeting dates -2/10/2020 & the Region 15 Tournament is on 3/7/2020. The State Tournament is 4/4/2020 at Centerville HS - 500 E. Franklin St., Centerville, OH 45459