



Date: May 15th, Carie's House @ 10:00am
To: JA Leadership Team
From: Michele Napier, Commissioner
Subject: Minutes

1. Score sheets

- a. Laurel will be updating the placemats with a check list format of things that should be talked about and looked at.
- b. 1st meeting was held by DDCA for coaches regarding score sheets and how they can be more easily understood. Shammra, Carie and Laurel attended. Nothing officially decided, other meetings to follow.

2. Workshop

- a. Location TBA
- b. Dates: Either Sept. 18-19 or Sept. 25-26. First choice would be the 18-19th. A save the date will arrive as soon as a location is secured.
- c. Fall workshop will focus on Category education only
 - i. Separate by style, use of videos, powerpoint/handouts if needed and physical demonstration and participation
 - ii. Carie – Kick, Shammra – Lyrical, Michele – Jazz, Kristen – Hip Hop, Laurel – Modern. Will also discuss Novelty/challenge and JR score sheets
 - iii. Thanks to Scappoose HS for getting us video of Oregon Category performances.
 - iv. Encourage cross caption training during category season: go get yourself certified in another caption during category events.
- d. Winter workshop will be Traditional Education only – weekend of January 16-17, will be a 1 day event.

3. Coaches Conference

- a. October 9 -10th at Wilsonville HS
- b. Classes – TBA: The board has asked via the membership that we be more involved this year. Laurel will be putting together a draft of ideas we came up with, with some descriptions. Listed below are general ideas
 - i. Offer a How to teach technique class
 - ii. Classes on individual captions: Execution, Content, OE
 1. Music – Have pieces of music that groups of coaches could actually discuss and decide what they would do with it.
 2. The JA teaches a class on what we are evaluating on and what we look for and then bring in coaches that are successful in that particular area and they teach the how to accomplish it portion.

iii. Judging systems as a whole: what is it, how we operate, certification processes, etc.

iv. Technical/stunting/safety class for coaches

4. Survey Results

- a. 13 Performance/JD, 6 Technical and 1 IT person responded to the survey.
- b. Judges felt there could be some changes in fees, especially in mileage, IT and Technical fees.
- c. Will create some guidelines for Judges and Coaches with regards to consultations.

5. Technical Judges

- a. Events that run a 2-sided festival event, will have to have 2 additional technical judges. 2-sided festival events are in need of 2 complete judging panels. It is not fair for the Technical Judges to have to run back and forth from side to side, it is hard on them and slows the event down while waiting for the technical judges to be ready to go. 1-sided festival events will only need 2 Technical Judges since they don't have to switch sides of the gym.
- b. Technical judges will now be required to sit 10-15 rows up from the floor in order to ensure that all safety issues can be seen adequately. Event directors will be notified, but the JD and Technical Judges will need to double check their location at each event.
- c. Technical Judges workshop will be Oct 9-10 at Wilsonville HS with the coaches' conference. A save the date will arrive soon.

6. Scheduling Calendar:

- a. 19 event applications have been turned in, only 15 have paid. Have until June 1st before fee goes up. Shammra will let each event know after June 1st, what their event date is.

7. Budget items

- a. Technical Director needs a laptop
- b. Funding to compensate new/additional instructors at JA workshops.

8. Future meetings: July 10, 10:00am at Carie's house

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. There will be a slight change in positions for the 2010-2011 Season.
 - i. Carie King will be taking over as the Evaluation Director
 - ii. Shammra Smith will be taking over as the Marketing Director and will continue as the JA rep on the DDCA board.
 - iii. Michele Napier will remain as Commissioner, but will also take over as the Scheduling Director.
- b. For now all email addresses are going to remain the same, we will let everyone know when the official change happens and emails have changed hands.