



Date: AUGUST 3, 2022

Location: ZOOM

Time: 7:05 pm – 8:45 pm

Meeting Attendees: Jose Torres, Laura Torres, Michelle Oxrider, Doug Proehl, Harry Oxrider, Rebecca Gruenberg, Meghan Birt, Barb Proehl, Dee Gordon, Warren Gordon, Anita Pennington

PSG PRESIDENT REPORT (Jose Torres):

First call – committee chairs, committee members, Executive Board status. Second & final call will happen next month for unfilled positions.

- Executive Board: President (Jose & Laura still considering, but will most likely continue), Vice President (open), Treasurer (Anita will stay), Secretary (open).
- Committee Chairs/Members: Social Media co-chair, Spirit Wear, Fundraising (Anita), District pins (Torres); Publicity; Dress Rehearsal; Round Robin; DIsert Banquet; Alumni Ambassadors (Rebecca Gruenberg & Preeti Balachandran will remain); State Tournament / Hotel.

DISTRICT COORDINATOR/S REPORT (Michelle & Harry Oxrider):

BY-LAWS: Revisions in progress.

CDI Updates:

- **PSG is now a 501c3!** It cost \$99 to file as a domestic nonprofit in Ohio; \$275 to file request for n/p status with IRS. We hope this will allow for greater fundraising opportunities, as we will now be able to offer donors/fundraising events a charitable deduction. We have been classified as a “private foundation” & have found this is causing us troubles as it does not qualify us for Amazon Smile, FB donations, PP donations, etc... Harry is contacting the IRS to try to get us classified as a “public charity”.
- **CCS Support:** In July received agreement from Superintendent (Henderson/Wesney) that CDI will retain same level of support. Harry & Michelle will meet with Mr. Wesney in late August or early September to discuss a few more issues.
- **Building Coordinator** status: filled; Oxriders will cover Driscoll. Will push back BC Meeting until start of school (one BC is unavailable until after 8/15). Michelle will send out an info-mail in the meantime.
- **INFO NIGHT** is scheduled for Wednesday, 09/07 at 7 pm in Cline Auditorium. Workshops will run between 09/08 & 09/23. Registration will be open from 09/07 and will close 9/28.

Region 12 Updates: None available.

Ohio/OKC Affiliate Updates:

- CHS has declined the request to be the host site for future OHDI Tournaments during the Spring Break week due to conflicts with other groups and the setback it causes their maintenance staff in completing tasks for year-end.
- OKC has requested our “Lessons Learned” document so an RFP can be sent to other regions asking for host volunteers. Michelle has told Vince Pachiano he will have this document no later than Friday, 8/5/22, pending PSG review.
 - OKC has also requested a release of our financials/profit “as an enticement”; Anita moved to approve releasing all the information to OKC. Jose seconded. All approved. Michelle sent full document (attached) to Vince on 08/03/22 & he has verified receipt.

DI HQ Updates:

- **IGNITE Conference feedback:** Was contacted by the NH-DI Affiliate Director for more information on our “Special Stars” program, as they plan to enact their own SN program based on ours. :)
- **Team Numbers now available. [CCS]** Pricing model is same as 2022 - \$110 per team number. DI HQ still offers waivers for background check (they did lower their Sterling account background check to \$25 from \$40 – just fyi, does not apply to us – CCS



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processes our background checks & they end up costing CCS \$20/per). DI HQ is offering bulk pricing for team numbers; 10-19 numbers are 5% off (\$105/per); 20-49 numbers are 10% off (\$99/per). Michelle & Harry has purchased 20 team numbers to begin our season.

- **Challenges drop 09/01/22.**
- **New B/M Location:** Blackwood, NJ. Cherry Hill, NJ location was sold last month; staff has been working remotely in the meantime.
- **Global Finals** has been announced; May 21-24, 2023, (again) in Kansas City, MO. Fee structure remains the same (\$5500) at time of announcement (7/2022). \$2000 deposit (increase from 2022 deposit amount of \$1500) due by April 12, 2023.
- **Global Qualification statement by DI HQ:** Michelle will verify this correlates with the current/in-progress By-Laws before publishing revisions. **“Teams that qualify at their Affiliate Tournament are guaranteed a spot at Global Finals.”** Starting January 15th, all teams can sign up for the GF Waitlist, even if they do not qualify through their Affiliate Tournament. These teams are **not** guaranteed a spot unless/until they receive an invitation from DI HQ.

SECRETARY REPORT:

There was a quick discussion about meetings; it seems as if Wednesday evening is still the preferred meeting time, and we will remain flexible about which week we meet on based on DI-happenings. That said – the **next meeting will occur on WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31st**, in order to prep for DI Info Nite. Location TBA.

TREASURER REPORT: Anita Pennington

BALANCE as of 7/31/22 = [REDACTED]

- EXPENSES IN THE PAST MONTH: n/a
- DEPOSITS:
 - Spring Spirit Wear fundraiser/Embellished Threadz: **\$34.60**
 - (Anonymous) Globals donation: **\$5,000**
- PENDING DEPOSITS: n/a
- PENDING PAYMENTS: n/a
- CHECK REQUESTS: n/a
- UPCOMING EXPENSES:
 - (info pending later discussion/votes)

FYI: Venmo is not adaptable for nonprofits. Michelle is reconfiguring our PayPal account with our nonprofit status; there is a slight discount on fees. More detailed information will be provided at the next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Social Media (Michelle Oxider &): Website has been renewed for another year. “Webs” is changing to a new platform & was unable to process the change in our credit card (card changed due to change in banks in August 2021) so they just renewed us without payment. This may catch up to us when they move to their new platform – but in the meantime, we have a respite from the \$99 renewal fee.

Alumni Ambassador/s (Rebecca Gruenberg & Preeti Balachandran – contact @ CDIalumni12@gmail.com):



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Spirit Wear: Embellished Threadz, 11/14-11/28/22. Mary-Ann has requested that we pick items so they can prep our catalog ahead of time before their busy season. We did have a request from last year to have a yellow shirt; I also talked to them about the possibility of offering DI socks. Anita offered to go with Michelle on a school day. Will schedule.

Fundraising (Anita Pennington):

- POC: Julie Grunenwald. Online Pampered Chef fundraiser set for 10/3-10/7. 10% back on sales of \$200-\$650. \$650+ = 15%.
- Michelle has contacted Coke Rewards; they only enroll accredited schools. Unable to enroll CDI PSG.
- Michelle submitted a Kroger Community Rewards enrollment application on 08.02.22; they state 7-10 days for an emailed response. Hope to have this set up by Info Night & Workshops so folks have the option to link their card to CDI PSG. (May be held up to do IRS designation, see next item for explanation – will advise.)
- Anita also suggested Amazon Smile. Due to our designation as a private foundation vs public charity, we do not “appear” as a qualified 501c3. Will revisit when/IF Harry can get this straightened out with the IRS.
- Anita will start working on trying to set up some restaurant opportunities.
- Anita has mentioned contacting Bill Jarvis to also book similar dates as last year (October days off? Wednesday before Thanksgiving?) at Laser Web as fundraisers.

Shirt Sponsorships / Contests: We will once again offer to all participants the fundraising opportunity to get \$250 sponsorships in exchange for a refund on their registration costs; 1=1, only limited by number of sponsorships per number of participating students.

District Shirts: Thoughts about 2022-2023 theme? FYI: Centerville started a creativity program in 1982 with 4 teams (Deb Barnett, Gloria Clouse); DI was founded in 1999. Do we want to celebrate “**Celebrating Forty Years of Centerville Creativity**” or wait a few more years to celebrate 25 years of DI? Dee said that OKC will also be celebrating 40 so it was agreed to go ahead with the 40-year celebration. Anita would like to tie in by having teams do an interactive art or creative project that may benefit the district.

District Pins (Jose & Laura Torres):

Publicity:

Round Robin:

Dress Rehearsal:

Dissert Banquet: Oxriders have leftover cups, plates, & napkins from State for use. They aren’t “pretty” (basic foam) but we’ve already paid for them.

State Tournament – Lodging/Transportation:

NEW ITEMS/QUESTIONS:

Michelle proposed that we give each of the Building Coordinators \$10 for purchasing supplies to do their DI Workshop. This will be an annual \$120 cost (n/a for Special Stars since they don’t do IC’s or a “typical” style Workshop). Dee seconds. Warren proposed \$20/BC; Anita seconded. All approved.



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Do we want to create IC kits again this year for Team Managers? If so – budget? It was agreed that this would be a good idea and we could spend approximately \$400 to compile the kits. (Oxriders have foam plates & cups 😊)

Anita proposes we purchase a subscription to Quicken online; cost would be \$80 for the first year and \$120 thereafter. Quick Books would be \$300/year. Quicken will sync with Day Air & will categorize expenses. It will also provide the IRS report for the 990. Harry seconds (since the forms will be needed for IRS). Jose likes this idea, thirds. All approved. Michelle will work with Anita to get this purchased (they request PayPal) using the “slush fund” that was left in the CDI PP account in case of refund needs.

30-60-90:

30 Days

Building Coordinator Meeting

PSG Meeting – Wednesday, 8/31/22, 7 pm, Location TBA

60 Days

DI Info Night – Cline Auditorium, 9/7/22, 7 pm

90 Days