**Gulf Coast District Meeting**

started at completion of Area III meeting

**Tuesday, July 23rd, 2024 - ATAT Conference Dallas, TX**

**Treasurer’s Report (separate sheet of paper)**

2021-2024 Inflation kicking our butt

Adding 50cents to the district dues will give us a $2k boost in budget

**\*\*Motion of upping district dues from $1.50 to $2.00 - this is something that will have to go in front of the districts/kids they**  **will have to vote on it, we understand that it can add up quickly**

Judges, and awards/ banners that are not needed only paying judges outside of our district

Entry fees will be going up to $20.00…

**\*\*moved and seconded to raise to 25$ per entry - motion carried**

Top 3 teams to receive only banners - no longer six LDEs will have them there , speaking events and talent banners will be  delivered after the fact

LOOK at QUOTES for banners

Savings account has 3500.00, but that has 1k set aside for scholarship, and that is emergency funds

**Scholarship application-**

make sure to look at the applications, and possibly have the teacher submit them for the whole Chapter

**Concerns- None voiced**

**District Officers**

**President:** Jared Lynch, Goose Creek Memorial (on year two- technically Bree should be going out)

**\*\*Motion to suspend the roll up from Vice President to President Rules (one year, indefinitely, etc.) is suggested**

 **moved to suspend the standing rule of the rotation and seconded. motion passed**

* \*\* motion to change the standing by laws and propose will need to post (by next week)
* \*\* comment made to keep someone who is knowledgeable about what’s happening, the two year roll up is a good idea?? And having people do a thankless job, don’t like permanently suspend the rules because it used to be a death sentence and burnt out, the devils advocate is losing people to burnout or teachers leaving the Gulf Coast District
* motion to keep Jared Lynch for one more year as President, motion passed and carried

**Vice President:** Bree Clark, Manvel\*\* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\*\*New term will be 4years (2 year VP, and 2 years President)

Motion to open nominations

Chelsey (Clear Lake) and **Victoria (Alvin) elected**

**Secretary:** Morgan Richards, Texas City

**Treasurer:** Marlo McMaster, Deer Park\*\*

Motion to open nominations

**Jenna Lawhorn (Pearland) elected** and Chelsey (Clear Lake)

**District Leadership Advisor:** Bailey Beken, Friendswood

**Scholarship Application Committee:** Chesley Rudisnel, Clear Lake and Kiley Miller

**Meeting adjourned at 4:15pm**

**OTHER INFORMATION OF NOTE**

**Volunteer Sign Up 2024-2025: (these individuals signed up at the beginning of the Gulf Coast District Meeting)**

**Area LDE Judge:** Erika Espitia (Spanish Creed)- GCM, Chris McLoren (Skills)- GCM, Kelcy Mills, Stuart

**Area Quiz:** Riley Walton - Clear Brook, Lily Pruitt West - Baytown Lee

**Area Speaking:** Maddie Gifford - Shadow Creek, Chelsey Rudasill - Clear Lake, Schuyler Morris - Dobie

**Area Scholarship:** Trevor Reifel - Friendswood, Patrick Lynn - Shadow Creek, Victoria Espinoza - Alvin

**Convention Registration:** Janice Kelley Himes - La Marque, Morgan Richards - Texas City

**Lonestar Check:** Kelley Maroska - Manvel, McKenna Jordan - Shadow Creek, DeAnna Morris - Iowa Colony,

**Proficiency:** Rachel Sawyer - Friendswood, Bree Clark - Manvel

**Star Awards:** Bailey Beken - Friendswood, Doug Klaudt - La Porte

**State Speaking:** Courtney Webb - Alvin, Madeleine Woodall - Alvin, Erika Espitia - GCM

**Important Dates: (updated as of the Area 3 ATAT meeting)**

**Fall 2024**

* District Leadership Camp: July 29th @ Clear Lake High
* District Greenhand Camp, Community Service, and Fall Meeting: September 18 @ location TBD
* Area Greenhand Camp: September 21st@ Gerald D Young Facility
* National FFA Convention October 23-26
* District LDEs: November 5 @Goose Creek Memorial
* Area LDEs: November 20th @ Berry Center
* State LDEs: December 6th - 7th @ SHSU

**Spring 2025**

* Elite/ Midwinter Conference: January 13 @ Merrell/ESC Center
* District Convention: April 17th TENT @ Goose Creek Memorial TENT
* Area Speaking: May 5 @ Merrell/ESC
* Area/State Officer Elections: Merrell/ESC Center
* Area Convention: May 9 @ Gerald D Young Ag Facility

**Major Stock Shows:**

* Heart of Texas: September 25-October 23
* State Fair: Sep 27-Oct 220
* SALE: February 6-23
* HLSR: March 4-March 23
* Rodeo Austin: March 14-23