

WCCSE 2019-20 Fall Articulation

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Welcome, Introductions, & Announcements

- **NJAGC Conference**, Connie is the Conference Chair.
- As we plan this year's schedule, dates to keep in mind: *NJSLA (gr 3-6) April 20-May 29; NJ Sci (gr 5) May 4 - June 5*

Treasurer's Report

All member schools are in good standing per the close of 2018-19.

June 2019 Closing Balance 4,684.66.

Follow-up needed in official minutes on this item from spring meeting:

Discussion of question writing for BOB and who is to pay for the time. *Motion to approve the funds to pay for the question writing for ALL BOB levels if needed by a **non-consortium member**. Funds should be the same amount regardless of level.*

All in favor: unanimous yes.

CLARIFICATION NEEDED: "**a non-consortium member**" Official definition?

OLD BUSINESS

Volunteerism - As we are planning the year we need to be mindful of our **human** resources:

Are there under-subscribed events that can be either ...

- Reconsidered? Does the event bring unique value? If so how can it be grown?
- Consolidated by combining with other events?
 - *Every event we hold IS using resources (time, space, \$\$) that cannot then be used in other ways.*
- Opened to non-WCCSE attendees (Sussex County, etc.)?
 - Fee per school? Per attendee?

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Purchases for Consortium

Here we are looking at “infrastructure” items to support multiple events or ongoing work of consortium, not event-specific materials.

Proposals under consideration as of June:

- Cube screen projection
- Sound system
- Other?

Confratute Scholarship Follow up from spring discussion:

Initial goal was to sponsor Confratute attendance to grow Gifted Ed

Proposal under consideration: general PD scholarship

- Availability to all teachers from consortium member schools (as Confratute opportunity has been)
- Value limit?
- Other guidelines to be maintained
 - Application process
 - Recipient follow-up presentations to the Consortium and larger community

Question: What aligns this with WCCSE mission as opposed to purview of school administrations?

Action (if any):

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Young Writer's Competition 2019-2020 ...Maggie, with committee of Connie, Loren, Lianne

Model after Tri-County Literacy

- Theme-based, **each school** submit up to five pieces of writing to the competition. Must have a member of the WCCSE in their district. Possible due date March 1.
- Age divisions grades 1/2, 3/4, 5/6, 7/8. Possibly include HS or do so in the future.
 - Awards: gift certificates to 1st place winners of each category; certificates to 1st, 2nd, 3rd and honorable mention
- Genre Poetry, Short Story, Personal Narrative (grades 1-8) and Essay (grades 3-8) & Growing Writer Award
- *Celebration of Young Writers*, ideas:
 - Awards ceremony, cookies and juice (if donated from Shoprite, etc.)? First place winners read brief excerpt of their work.
 - Display and announcement (as above) at Family Day after main Fam Day events conclude
 - WonderWall displaying other awards winners of everything throughout the year (Chess, Debate, etc.)
 - Coordinators of other events would have to submit items (certs or lists) for display

Professional Development

Proposals available include:

- Art/SEL by Lisa Hirkaler (previously shared at state conferences, Columbia Univ, etc.)
- Video production with elementary students including green screen strategies by Maureen Danovsky (previously shared at Confratute)
- What else is requested?
 - *Progress Reports*
 - **Screening** - as time allows today or follow-up session to be scheduled at close of meeting

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<u>EVENTs</u> <u>requiring discussion</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Coordinator</u>
<p>Convocation - Grades 6/7 <u>CONCERNS</u> <i>Time constraints -</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Realistic arrival/departure? • Presentation/video • Clean-up! <p><i>Presentation/video</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Releases w perm slips • Add presenter who could direct this aspect (\$\$honorarium) 	6,7	May?	Blairstown church	Barb, Kristin, Kim, et al ...
<p>WCCSE Video Expo & Competition <u>Strengths:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interdisciplinary, expressive, complex, tech and art • Real-world applications <p>Undersubscribed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is there potential to grow within local WCCSE programs? • Open up to out-of-county schools? 	K ...8	May 8	Mansfield	Kristin Baker
<p>Year Game 2019 - Gr 4-8 <i>Looking to expand with Flipgrid; Who can collaborate on this?</i></p>	4,5,6,7,8	Dec - Feb	N/A - all online or local	Kristin Baker
<p>Legos on the Loose/Invention - Grade 3 Strengths: open-ended and creative. Literature related. <i>Problem: Lack of participation.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Location change: Possibly hosted at Blairstown? • Grade change: add grade 2? Or grades 1 - 3? • Combine with Inventions project with the community? 				

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Family Day 2020

Possible date Sunday, March 29th.

Dr. Matthew Zakreski as keynote. "When emotional intensity and cognitive rigidity collide." Social/Emotional and Twice Exceptional.

Video clip available - <https://youtu.be/5iG-TvIB5dA>

Input from WCCSE?

Committee?

2019-20 Program Planning

EVENTs Scheduled	Grades	Date	Location	Coordinator
Debate Grades 5-8 <i>(HS judges, Teachers as room chaperones)</i> Resolved: All people in the United States will be required to join the organ donor registry.	5,6,7,8	Dec 5 (12)	North Warren	Kristin Baker Christine Drevitch Alyssa Eisner (site) Maggie (judges)
Battle of the Minds 5/6	5,6	Nov 13 (14)	Harmony	Jennifer Mazziotta-Walter
Battle of Minds 7/8	7,8	Nov 18 (19)	Warren Hills	Maggie Devine
Battle of the Books 3/4	3,4	April 19 TBC	Belvidere	Caralee Gately
Battle of the Books 5/6	5,6	Late April TBD	Great Meadows/Lib	Bill Nutt

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Battle of the Books 7/8	7,8	April-May TBD	North Warren	Alyssa Eisner
Chess Tournament - K - 6	K ...6	March? TBD	Allamuchy Rutherford Hall	Mike Micucci (Via Barb Weinstein)
Chess Tournament - 7/8	7,8	Feb? TBD	Belvidere	Caralee Gately
Northwest NJ K-8 Regional Chess Championship <i>Not WCCE event; registration \$\$ fees apply</i>		June? TBD	Sussux CCC?	<i>Who can share info?</i>
Robotics - Grades K-8 <i>Two divisions, variety of robots. No RC.</i>	K ...8	March 24	Harmony (Adam Tucker)	Christine Drevitch Jen.Mazz.-Walter
Spelling Bee 5/6	5,6	Feb 12 (19)	Phillipsburg MS Lib	Stephanie Condon
Pringles Project	flexible	Feb matching	N/A	Barb Weinstein
Marvelous Math - Gr 2	2	Jan 10? 16?	Pohatcong	Tracy Kinsey
Math-a-Magicians - Gr 3	3	Dec 10 (13) TBD?	Harmony firehouse	Vickie Demerast
Mind-Nastics - Gr 4	4	Oct. 30 ?	Blairstown church	Kim Reber Caralee Gately
Phabulous Physics - Gr 3/4 Rollercoaster Derby - Gr 4 CRASH - Gr 3	3,4	March 6 (April 9)	Mansfield	Kristin Baker
Strategic Thinking Day - Gr 5 <i>From spring minutes: "Get away from STEM and work on Strategic thinking."</i>	5	March TBD?	Washington Boro	Rebecca Snyder