

# **NET OLÉ Meeting** **April 24, 2009 – Texas A&M University-Commerce**

**Members present:** Gaby Mireles, Giovanna Chagerben, Nancy Pennington, Elizabeth Porter, Gloria Smith, Alison Hayter, Cheryl Brown, Sheila Easley, Kaywanda Lamb, Jerri Boles, Eduardo Mendoza, Maryna Loriska-Otero, Tiffany Muñoz, Francisca Florent, William St. John, Erica Carter, Philippe Seminet (President), Inma Lyons (Vice President), Justin P. White (Secretary)

**Minutes:** (taken by Martin Gibbs)

Issue/Topic	Summary of Discussion	Action/Decision
Sign in sheet issues	The issue of not having event sign in sheets posted with sufficient anticipation for students to sign up was discussed.	It is determined that for 2010 we either need to request more stands or fabricate stands for sign in sheets.
Food judging location	The food to be judged was in an open area which did not allow for judges to have isolated judging time.	It is determined that for 2010 the food competition must be located in an isolated area and after the judging takes place it may be moved for others to enjoy.
Session scheduling	The first session this year was the Spelling Bee which was difficult for some to attend. There were also time concerns with the Reading Comprehension tests.	It is determined that for 2010 the Spelling Bee and Reading comprehension could use an alternating time format offering three sessions of each throughout the day.
Spelling Bee Format	There were expectations of the format of the Spelling Bee which were different from the format of the event.	It is determined that for 2010 the Spelling Bee students will write down the words after they are listened to via digital recordings.
New Business	Forms	All of the necessary documents will be available online for 2010 (judging sheets, event schedules, judges' schedules, payment for registration, etc.). Sarah

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determine contest directors for 2010.</li> <li>• President Philippe Seminet suggested that organization of Net Olé be headed by multiple members of Vice President Status; 3 Spanish, 1 French and 1 German.</li> </ul>	<p>White will continue to coordinate from TAMU – Commerce.</p> <p>Accepted. The directorship for 2010 will be headed by multiple Vice Presidents. <b>Spanish</b> will be headed by a team of three: Tiffany Muñoz (Mt. Pleasant), Maryna Loriska-Otero (Mt. Pleasant), and Eduardo Mendoza (Mt. Pleasant).</p> <p><b>French:</b> Elizabeth Porter (Greenville) for no more than one year.</p> <p><b>German:</b> Sheila Easley (Greenville)</p> <p>The role of VP will be on a rotating basis.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Determine Officers</li> </ul>	<p>Accepted: Secretary: Eduardo Mendoza (Mt. Pleasant)</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rule to send judges: teachers need to be conscientious; directors need to be consistent.</li> <li>• Put overall winners on web site each year?</li> </ul>	<p>Only first names and school numbers.</p>
	<p>Although the following items were on the agenda, due to time constraints, they were not addressed:</p>	

	<p>1. Suggestions for updating/improving Net Olé web site (e.g. inclusion of more audio entries)</p> <p>2. Finances: cutting costs (medals/ribbons?), increasing fees (were increased in 2007)</p> <p>3. Events to add/eliminate.</p> <p>4. Changes to the Judges Rating Sheet for Vocal Events.</p> <p>5. Judges' sheet needs to include that students do not have to place if their performance or presentation is insufficient.</p> <p>10. Please be persistent about awards. We have plenty of ribbons, and we want the students to get what they have won, but we need you to let us know.</p>	
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