

SW WASHINGTON REGIONAL SCIENCE OLYMPIAD ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Minutes for Monday, 3 October 2011, 6:30 PM, Clark College

Members present: Erin Harwood, David Bufford, Rick Grote, Garry Lee, April Takashima, Jo Shannahan, Jerry Walsh, Cheryl Kryger

Coaches Clinic

Saturday, October 8, 2011, Clark College

1. We estimate there will be about 20 coaches coming to the clinic. Cheryl Kryger will send out an email requesting a response about attendance at the clinic and tournament to get a clearer idea about numbers.
2. Most of the event supervisors are not prepared enough to lead the sessions for the clinic, but they are willing to attend to scope things out. The board members and planning team will act as presenters. A tentative schedule was developed:
 - a. 8:00 – Garry Lee with Bamboozling Boxes
 - b. 8:30 – Jerry Walsh with Barge Building
 - c. 9:00 – Rick Grote with Metric Mastery
 - d. 9:30 – Erin Harwood and/or Cheryl Kryger with Paper Rockets
 - e. 10:00 – Rick Grote with Pondering Powders
 - f. 10:30 – Erin and Cheryl give an overview, review logistics for tournament day and handle Q&A. If there is time, ask the coaches where they see ESO going.
3. April Takashima and Jo Shannahan confirmed the snacks they will be providing for all presenters and attendees.
4. The session will be in APH 101. Check-in and food will be in APH 108. Cheryl will make signs to direct everyone to the right places.
5. Cheryl will bring the basic supplies that have been purchased for ESO such as scissors, pencils, rulers, etc. Erin will bring copies of the coaches manual (which Rick and Cheryl have just about completed), rules, and extra tournament registrations so coaches can sign up on the spot.
6. Rick organized a conductivity tester assembly party with the Camas HS team and the Kryger family. All the testers and kits were put together, so they can be distributed at the clinic.

Elementary Science Olympiad Invitational Tournament

Saturday, November 19, 2011, Clark College

Registration has been slow, but everything else is pretty much on schedule.

Adopt a school

Rick Grote and his wife, Jana, have worked hard to develop a strong ESO program with Camas elementary schools. Because those five schools are doing very well, they are going to adopt a new school for ESO next year.

Various meetings

Rick Grote will be attending a science meeting hosted by Mark Watrin and ESD on October 4. He will also represent us at the BPA volunteer fair on October 11. He has prepared a slide show, and Cheryl is making a display poster for it.

Local Invitational Tournaments

Camas HS is hosting two invitational tournaments. Division C is on January 14. Division B is on December 10. Division B will have the 2011 state champions from California, Oregon, and Washington.

Next board meeting

Monday, 14 November 2011, at 6:30 PM, at Clark College.

1. The main purpose will be to finalize plans for the Elementary Invitational.
2. We should look ahead at the regional Div B/C tournament.
3. We should also include a discussion on how to get more Division B teams involved in Science Olympiad. There are considerably more Div C teams than Div B, yet both divisions have 20 teams at the state tournament. Perhaps forging connections between elementary and middle schools would help.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Kryger
Secretary