

# **Competition Rules Board Meeting, May 10, 2022**

Location and Time: Online, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. CT

### Call to Order/Welcome/Record of Approved Competition Rules Board Minutes

On May 10, 2022, Competition Rules Board meeting minutes will be read into the record. Minutes are available for discussion, as requested by Competition Rules Board members.

### **Cumulative Districts Sweepstake Award**

The Competition Rules Board will discuss the District Cumulative Sweepstakes award and the challenges associated with calculating the award across multiple weekends and often multiple pieces of computer software. The Director of Competition will share options for Board consideration that will allow for the award to continue while decreasing the probability for errors and timing challenges.

### **District Speech Rules Evaluation**

The Competition Rules Board will begin to review feedback from districts about the district speech rules and discuss any potential revisions, including whether ranks should be doubled in elimination rounds.

#### **District Debate Rules Evaluation**

The Competition Rules Board will begin to review feedback from districts about the district debate rules and discuss any potential revisions, including the pairing priorities.

#### Assessment of Scholarship Opportunities at Nationals

The Competition Rules Board will review the current scholarship opportunities available for National Tournament participants and create a timeline and requests for relevant information needed for Board consideration and assessment.

## **Rule Change Submission Form Prioritization**

The Competition Rules Board will review any rule change submissions that have not yet been addressed to date. The Board will prioritize the remaining submissions and determine the timeline for discussion and resolution.

#### **Equity Pause**

At the end of deliberations, the Competition Rules Board will utilize the <u>NSDA Equity Lens</u> to consider, reflect on, and address whether their decisions and decision-making processes are transparent, accountable, and reflect the organization's core value of equity.

## Adjourn