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CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH ASSOCIATION

Constitution

and

By-laws

CONSTITUTION OF THE
CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I - NAME

SECTION I. The name of this organization shall be the California High School Speech Association. (Officially referred to a CHSSA)

ARTICLE II - PURPOSES

SECTION I. To foster a healthy and well-rounded curricular and extra-curricular speech program for the high schools of California.

SECTION II. To organize, supervise, and determine rules for the California State Speech Tournament.

SECTION III. To coordinate the activities of the various speech leagues of the State.

SECTION IV. To provide liaison with the National University Extension Association (NUEA) representative for California.

SECTION V. To improve the coordination of the high school and college curricular and extra-curricular speech programs.

SECTION VI. To provide the necessary funds for the operation of the State Speech Tournament and the operation of the Association.

SECTION VII. To provide liaison between the various speech leagues in California and the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA).

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION I. Membership shall be open to all California high schools and junior high schools that include the ninth grade upon payment of any dues established and the filing of required membership application.

SECTION II. Associate Membership shall be open to all secondary teachers who are non-sponsors of speech programs, college and university instructors, and other interested persons or institutions. Associate membership does not make an institution eligible for State Qualifying or State Championship competition.

ARTICLE IV - LEGISLATIVE POWERS

SECTION I. The legislative powers of this organization shall be vested in a California State Speech Council (CSSC).

SECTION II. The membership of the CSSC shall be composed of:

A. An equal number of representatives north and south of the Tehachapi Mountains as follows:

1. North: The Coast Forensic League, The Golden Gate Speech Association, The Yosemite Forensic League, The Southern Valley Forensic League, The Sacramento Valley Forensic League, The Pacific Forensic League.
2. South: The Southern California Debate League, The San Diego Speech League, The Citrus Belt Speech Region, The Orange County Speech League, The Southern California Forensic Association, The Mar-Monte Forensic League.

3. Curriculum Representatives: To implement the curricular purposes of CHSSA, one curriculum representative from each of the four qualifying areas.
4. Area Chairmen: An Area Chairman from each of the four qualifying areas.
5. Additional Representatives appointed by their respective Area Chairmen so as to bring representation on the CSSC to a maximum of six from each area. Preference in the appointment of these additional representatives shall be given to active leagues not listed in paragraphs 1 and 2.

B. A representative from the California Department of Education.
C. A representative from the Association of California School Administrators.
D. The immediate Past-President of CHSSA.
E. One individual representing associate members.

SECTION III. Members of the CSSC under paragraphs B through E above shall be non-voting members.

SECTION IV. The CSSC shall have power to:
A. Establish a State Speech Tournament.
B. Establish procedures for qualifying for the State Speech Tournament.
C. Establish yearly dues for all schools and entry fees for the State Tournament.
D. Appoint and instruct the CHSSA representatives to the annual NUEA Committee on Discussion and Debate.
E. Determine such policies and procedures as shall be necessary to carry out the purposes of the CHSSA.
F. The CSSC shall have the power to admit new leagues, bearing qualifications for membership as determined by the CSSC. The procedure determined in Article VIII shall be followed.
G. Establish yearly dues for individual associate membership.

SECTION V. A quorum shall consist of three-fourths of the voting members.

ARTICLE V - EXECUTIVE POWERS

SECTION I. The executive powers of the organization shall be vested in a president, two vice-presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, and an editor of the Speech Bulletin.

SECTION II. The president and vice-presidents shall be elected from and by the membership of the CSSC. The secretary, the treasurer, and the editor shall be appointed by the president.

SECTION III. The president shall have the power to:
A. Represent the CHSSA in all professional relationships.
B. Preside at all meetings of the CHSSA and/or CSSC.

SECTION IV. One of the vice-presidents shall assume the president's powers when so directed by either the president or a three-fourths majority vote of the CSSC.
A. One vice-president shall serve as coordinator of curricular activities.
B. One vice-president shall serve as coordinator of forensic speech activities.

SECTION V. The secretary shall maintain such records as are deemed necessary and conduct correspondence. The treasurer shall receive and disburse CHSSA funds as directed by the CSSC. The editor shall supervise the publication of the Speech Bulletin.

ARTICLE VI - JUDICIAL POWERS

SECTION I. The CSSC shall interpret the constitution and by-laws in all cases brought before it for adjudication.

ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS

SECTION I. The CHSSA shall hold a general non-legislative meeting at the State Speech Tournament.

SECTION II. The CSSC shall meet at least once in every school semester.

SECTION III. Each league shall be responsible for the attendance of its representatives at CSSC meetings.

SECTION IV. The President or a quorum of the CSSC shall be empowered to call special meetings.

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS

SECTION I. Proposed amendments must be submitted to the President of CHSSA at least 90 days prior to consideration by the CSSC.

SECTION II. Proposed amendments must be submitted to all member schools at least 75 days prior to consideration by CSSC.

ARTICLE IX - RATIFICATION

SECTION I. This Constitution and By-laws shall be in effect beginning in the Fall of 1965 if ratified by two-thirds of the CSSC at one of its meetings at or prior to that time.

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BY-LAWS OF THE
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ARTICLE I - FINANCE

SECTION I - Assessment and fees:

A. School assessments: As authorized by the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA), all member schools shall pay one-half cent (½¢) per official October average daily school attendance. Junior high schools shall pay one-half cent (½¢) per official October average daily attendance of ninth graders only. To replace the former league assessments, each school shall pay an additional $8.00. (Example: A school with 1500 students would pay $7.50 plus $8.00 for a total of $15.50.)
   1. Upon receipt of statement, each school shall mail its assessment to the appropriate area chairman.
   2. All checks shall be made payable to CHSSA.
   3. December 15 of each year is the deadline for payment.
   4. The area chairmen shall record the payment and forward the check to the CHSSA treasurer.
   5. Billing and explanation thereof shall be included in the first Speech Bulletin mailing.

B. State Tournament fees: Contestants to the California State Speech Tournament shall pay fees as outlined below:
   1. Individual event fee: $5.00 per entry.
   2. Debate fee: $10.00 per entry.
   3. Congress fee: $7.50 per entry.
   4. Checks shall be made payable to CHSSA and delivered to the Area Chairman with the Confirmation of Entry.
   5. A fee of $25.00 as a judging deposit shall be charged every school entered in the State Tournament. Coaches assigned to the official operation of the tournament are exempt from this fee. All other coaches may earn the fee back for their schools by judging up to a maximum of four rounds of competition.

C. Delinquent payments:
   1. Schools whose assessments and/or entry fees are delinquent forfeit all CHSSA privileges including:
      a. Eligibility of qualified students for the State Speech Tournament.
      b. Eligibility for entrance in State Qualifying Tournaments. No school shall be admitted to a State Qualifying Tournament unless that school's CHSSA dues are paid on or before two weeks prior to the tournament.
      c. CHSSA services including publications.
   2. Area Chairmen and CHSSA officers shall enforce paragraph one above. No exceptions are permitted.

D. Associate Dues: An individual who is not the designated sponsor of a high school speech program and who wishes to affiliate with CHSSA, or any institution other than a secondary school who wishes to affiliate, shall pay six dollars ($6.00) dues per school year (September 1 - August 31).
   1. Associate membership applications will be available through CSSC members.
   2. Applications and dues shall be sent to the treasurer.
   3. Treasurer shall record the payment and forward the application to the appropriate area curriculum representative.
   4. Explanation of application and dues shall be included in the first Speech Bulletin mailing.
   5. CHSSA services including publications will be available to all associate members in good standing.

SECTION II - Financial management:

A. All checks shall be received by the Area Chairmen as outlined above and promptly delivered to the CHSSA Treasurer for deposit.

B. All CHSSA funds shall be held, disbursed, and accounted by the CHSSA Treasurer.
   1. Funds shall be disbursed according to the approved CSSC budget.
   2. At the direction of the President emergency or unexpected expense disbursements may be made subject to CSSC approval at its next regular meeting.
   3. The Treasurer shall receive budget requests until October 1 and submit a budget for CSSC approval.

C. All CHSSA funds shall be used for the state-wide activities of the CHSSA, including publications, the State Tournament, and operating expenses.

D. Authorized travel on CHSSA business at the direction of the CSSC which is otherwisw uncompensated shall be compensated as follows:
   1. Travel by private car shall be compensated at eight cents (8¢) a mile.
   2. Travel by public transportation shall be compensated by the fare.
   3. Other necessary expenditures shall be also reimbursed.

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ARTICLE II - REPORTS

SECTION I - Council reports: The following shall submit reports to all members and to other league and conference presidents not members of CSSC:

A. The Secretary shall submit
   1. Duplicated copies of Council minutes.
   2. A roster of CSSC members and other league presidents.
   3. Copies of By-laws wording changes approved by the CSSC.

B. The Treasurer shall submit
   1. A detailed financial report including:
      a. Assessment receipts.
      b. State Tournament fees.
      c. All CHSSA expenditures.
   2. A detailed budget based on paragraph one above and upon budget requests for CSSC approval.

C. The CHSSA delegate to the ACSA curriculum committee shall submit a duplicated copy of his activities.

D. The CHSSA delegate to the NUEA Committee on Discussion and Debate shall submit reports according to the procedure in Article V, Section I.

E. All reports shall be submitted by deadlines established by the CHSSA President.

SECTION II - The Speech Bulletin: Reports shall be distributed to CHSSA members in good standing and associate members in good standing through the Speech Bulletin.

A. There shall be three issues of the Speech Bulletin annually as the budget permits.

B. The Editor of the Speech Bulletin shall be responsible for planning the contents with the approval of the President and the CSSC. The Editor shall supervise such copy as is required including:
   1. Results and bibliography of the State Tournament.
   2. Abridged minutes of the CSSC meetings.
   3. Financial reports and budgets.
   4. Constitution and by-laws changes and/or corrected versions.
   5. National Debate To;ic information and NUEA report.
   6. Other reports and articles of interest.
   7. Other curricular materials to aid teaching and coaching
      a. Specific information on title and sources such as:
         (1). Syllabi for speech courses.
         (2). Handbooks for teaching and administration of competitive speech.
      b. Annotated bibliography of commercial debate handbooks.
      c. Other curricular materials developed by conference workshops and resource people.

SECTION III - The Area Chairmen shall compile a list of paid member schools and associate members. Duplicated copies shall be distributed to the CHSSA officers and to all schools within the area by January 15 for the purposes of correction and follow-up.

SECTION IV - League rosters: Each league president shall deliver a roster of his league to the CHSSA President and area chairman by the October CSSC meeting.

ARTICLE III - THE STATE TOURNAMENT

SECTION I - Date: The date shall be determined by the CSSC at the preceding spring meeting.

SECTION II - Place: Any college compus determined by the CSSC.

SECTION III - Entrants: There shall be forty-nine entrants in each event held at the State Tournament.

A. Distribution of entrants among the four Areas:
   1. Eight of these entrants shall come from each of the four areas.
   2. At the Spring meeting of CSSC, every third year beginning in 1970, the Area Chairmen in committee shall recommend to the CHSSA President the allocation of the remaining seventeen entrants using the following formula:
      a. The sum total of CHSSA dues collected by the CHSSA Treasurer for the current year and the two immediately prior years shall be determined.
      b. The sum total of CHSSA dues collected within each area for the current year and the two immediately prior years shall be determined.
      c. The number of remaining entrants (17) shall be divided into the State total ("a" above).
      d. The quotient of "c" above shall be divided into each Area total ("b" above) and this new quotient shall be used to determine the allocation of the remaining entrants to that Area.
      e. Example:

Total State dues ("a" above)	$13,758.66
Total dues from an Area ("b" above)	2,460.18

"c" above: 17/ 13,758.66 = 809.33

"d" above: 809.33/ 2,460.18 = 3

The Area would be allocated three of the remaining seventeen entrants for a total of eleven entrants in each event.

   3. In the absence of a unanimous recommendation in "2" above, the CHSSA President shall make the final decision as the the allocation of entrants to each area.

B. Distribution of entrants within each Area:
   1. At the Spring meeting of CSSC, every third year beginning in 1970, the Area Chairmen in committee shall recommend to the CHSSA President the allocation to the bona-fide leagues of the entrants from each Area using the following guidelines:
      a. geographical distances
      b. population
      c. continued educational development
      d. standardization of educational program
      e. potential growth
      f. overall participation
      g. sustained activity
      h. financial support of CHSSA by member schools using the following formula:
         (1). The sum total of CHSSA dues collected by the CHSSA Treasurer from each Area for the current year and the two years immediately prior shall be determined.

(2). The sum total of CHSSA dues collected from each bona-fide league within each Area for the current year and the two years immediately prior shall be determined.

(3). The number of entrants from an Area shall be divided into that Area's total dues -- (1) above.

(4). The quotient of (3) above shall be divided into each league's total dues -- (2) above -- and these new quotients shall suggest the allocation of entrants to each league.

(5). Example:

Total entrants from an Area		12
Total dues from the Area --(1) above		$3130.29
Total dues from League "a" above		1035.75
	260.86	
(3) above	12/ 3130.29	
	4	
(4) above	260.86/ 1035.75	

League "a" would be alloted four entrants of the Area's total of 12.

2. In the absence of a unanimous recommendation in "1" above, the CHSSA President shall make the final decision as to the allocation of entrants to the bona-fide leagues within an area.

C. Schools from the following counties or portions thereof shall have the opportunity to qualify for the State Tournament from the areas as follows:

1. Area One

a. One entrant from the following group of counties
   (1). San Luis Obispo
   (2). Monterey
   (3). San Benito
   (4). Santa Cruz

b. One entrant from the following group of counties
   (1). Santa Clara
   (2). Southern Alameda
   (3). San Mateo (Southern portion)

c. One entrant from the following group of counties
   (1). San Mateo (Northern portion)
   (2). Alameda (Northern portion)
   (3). San Francisco
   (4). Marin
   (5). Contra Costa
   (6). Solano (SW of Hwy 12)
   (7). Sonoma
   (8). Napa
   (9). Lake

d. One entrant from the following group of counties
   (1). Mendocino
   (2). Trinity
   (3). Humboldt
   (4) Siskiyou (West of Yreka)
   (5). Del Norte

2. Area Two
   a. One entrant from the following group of counties
      (1). Siskiyou (Yreka and East)
      (2). Modoc
      (3). Shasta
      (4). Lassen
      (5). Tehama
      (6). Plumas
      (7). Glenn
      (8). Butte
      (9). Sierra
      (10). Nevada
      (11). Placer
      (12). El Dorado
      (13). Colusa
      (14). Yolo
      (15). Sutter
      (16). Sacramento
   b. One entrant from the following group of counties
      (1). Amador
      (2). Solano (NE of Hwy 12)
      (3). San Joaquin
      (4). Calaveras
      (5). Alpine
      (6). Tuolumne
      (7). Stanislaus
      (8). Merced
      (9). Mariposa
   c. One entrant from the following group of counties
      (1). Madera
      (2). Fresno
      (3). Kings
      (4). Inyo
      (5). Kern
      (6). Tulare
3. Area Three
   a. One entrant from the following group of counties
      (1). Ventura
      (2). Santa Barbara
   b. One entrant from
      (1). Los Angeles West of the Los Angeles River
      (2). West San Fernando Valley
   c. One entrant from
      (1). Los Angeles East of the Los Angeles River to Kellogg Hill
      (2). East San Fernando Valley
4. Area Four
   a. One entrant from Orange County
   b. One entrant from
      (1). Upper Mojave Desert East of Hwy 395 to Kern County line
      (2). San Bernardino region East of Kellogg Hill, including all of Riverside and San bernardino counties
   c. One entrant from the following group of counties
      (1). Inperial
      (2). San Diego
5. For geographical convenience and only with the approval of both the Area Chairmen involved, a school located near an area border may be transferred from one area to another at the request of the school.

D. Qualification retention: The standard minimum requirement for the retention of state qualification from a state qualifying tournament shall be
   1. Eight schools competing in each event at a state qualifying tournament, or
   2. Twenty schools competing in the state qualifying tournament as a whole.
   3. Area Chairmen may reassign qualifications in one or more events from a state qualifying tournament, having failed to meet the requirements above, to another qualifying tournament in his area provided that the opportunity for all schools affected to participate is assured.
   4. That the tournament shall be completed at least ten days prior to the beginning of the State Tournament.

E. School eligibility: All CHSSA schools in good standing who have students qualified.

F. Student eligibility: A contestant must be a bona-fide student in grades nine through twelve of the school he represents at the time he participates in the State Tournament, and he must not have been in high school more than eight semesters.

G. No student or team shall be entered in the State Tournament unless the intention of the students and the coach is to compete for the State Championship in the event entered.

H. League participation: Schools within the geographical area of a recognized State league are eligible for membership within that league. If a school within a geographical area of a recognized league desires to affiliate and/or participate in the activities of another league, the request must be submitted in writing to the presidents of the two leagues by June 1 of the preceding school year. A two-thirds affirmative vote of the member schools of both leagues shall be required to allow the request. The decision must be declared no later than June 15. If the applying school or either league president wishes to appeal the decision, he may submit the appeal in writing to the CHSSA president and the area chairmen no later than June 30.

SECTION IV - Rules

A. Events:

1. The CSSC shall determine one year in advance the events that shall be offered at the State Tournament.
2. The events of the State Tournament shall be:
   a. Debate
   b. Unlimited Original Oratory
   c. Girls' Original Oratory
   d. Boys' Extemporaneous Speaking
   e. Girls' Extemporaneous Speaking
   f. Boys' Impromptu Speaking
   g. Girls' Impromptu Speaking
   h. Programmed Reading
   i. Dramatic Interpretation
   j. Humorous Interpretation
   k. Expository Speaking
   l. Student Congress

B. Code Symbols: Entries for the State Tournament shall be assigned a code composed of the symbols outlined below:

1. Area and School letters:
   a. The geographic area shall be designated by the use of such symbols as the following:
      (1). Area 1 L
      (2). Area 2 S
      (3). Area 3 T
      (4). Area 4 O
      These symbols change from year to year.
   b. The schools shall be assigned different letters of the alphabet to distinguish them within their areas. Se examples below:
      (1) Area 3
      John Marshall High School TH
      North Hollywood High School TT
      (2) Area 2
      Stagg High School SA
      Bakersfield High School SP

2. Event Numbers: Numbers for events shall be assigned as indicated below:
   a. Debate.....10's
   b. Boys' Extemporaneous.....20's
   c. Girls' Extemporaneous.....30's
   d. Unlimited Oratory.....40's
   e. Girls' Oratory.....50's
   f. Dramatic Interpretation.....60's
   g. Humorous Interpretation.....70's
   h. Programmed Reading.....80's
   i. Boys' Impromptu.....90's
   j. Girls' Impromptu.....100's
   k. Expository Speaking.....120's

   Examples: Area 3 Debate entry TA10
   Area 1 Dramatic entry LC60

C. Double Qualifying:
   1. No student may enter an event in a State Qualifying Tournament in which he has previously qualified for the State competition that school year.
   2. If the student has won the right to be an alternate at a State Qualifying Tournament and at a later State Qualifying Tournament wins the right to State competition in that same event, he loses his original status as an alternate.
   3. Multiple entry: No student may participate in more than one individual event at the State Tournament. Should an individual qualify in more than one individual event, he shall choose which qualification he plans to use and so inform the Area Chairman by letter postmarked three days after the qualifying tournament. This rule does not apply to debate. If the Area Chairman has not been notified within three days he (the Area Chairman) shall select the event for the qualifier.

D. Registration for State Tournament: Notification of participation and interpretation data shall be sent to the Area Chairman by certified mail postmarked not fewer than ten days prior to the State Tournament. Failure to notify as indicated above shall result in disqualification of that entrant. The Area Chairman shall then be authorized to substitute the alternate. Tournament directors of all State Qualifying Tournaments shall forward complete results including semi-finalists to the appropriate Area Chairman, so that he will know who the alternates are. Upon receiving notification of participation, the Area Chairman will then send verification of entry to all contestants.

E. Debate:

1. Question: The question shall be the national high school debate topic.
2. Teams: Each team shall be prepared to uphold both sides of the question. The teams may be made up of two, three, or four members; substitutions from one team to another may not be made during the Tournament. Three - or four - member teams which qualify may be reduced by their schools to two members for participation in the State Tournament. However, substitutions may not be made in the team membership so as to add students who were not part of the original qualifying combination.
3. Method: The following Cross-examination debate method shall be used:
   a. Length and Order of speeches:
      (1) First affirmative constructive--8 minutes
      (2) Cross-examination of first affirmative by one of the negative speakers--3 minutes
      (3) First negative constructive--8 minutes
      (4) Cross-examination of first negative by one of the affirmative speakers--3 minutes
      (5) Second affirmative constructive--8 minutes
      (6) Cross-examination of second affirmative by the other negative speaker--3 minutes
      (7) Second negative constructive--8 minutes
      (8) Cross-examination of second negative by the other affirmative speaker--3 minutes
      (9) First negative rebuttal--4 minutes
      (10) First affirmative rebuttal--4 minutes
      (11) Second negative rebuttal--4 minutes
      (12) Second affirmative rebuttal--4 minutes
   b. Special Cross-examination rules:
      (1) The questions must be directed to the speaker who has just completed his constructive speech and must be answered by him alone.
      (2) Questions must pertain only to materials and arguments offered by the opposition.
      (3) The questioner controls the time and may interrupt a lengthy reply. Any form of time wasting is unethical.
      (4) The respondent may decline to answer only if he gives a valid reason for doing so.
4. Unless the physical plant prevents it, the following rules shall govern the drawing of byes:
   a. There shall be no more than one bye in each of the first four rounds.
      (1) The bye in round one shall be drawn by lot.
      (2) The bye in each of rounds 2, 3, and 4 shall be drawn by lot from the undefeated teams.
   b. No team shall draw a bye twice.
   c. In the quarter final round, if necessary, byes shall be drawn to assure four teams for the semi-final round; the byes shall be drawn from the undefeated teams first and next from teams who lost to an undefeated team.
   d. A team may refuse a bye unless all surviving teams refuse.
5. All teams will debate two rounds. Thereafter, only undefeated teams and teams with only one loss will continue to debate until they suffer two losses. Elimination from the tournament will follow the two losses at any time except in the quarter-finals, semi-finals, and finals when elimination will be "sudden death." The quarter-final round shall be declared when eight or less teams remain in the tournament.

6. If the physical plant demands byes, byes in the first round shall be drawn by lot, with each of the four areas receiving byes proportionately.
7. Personal letters or telegrams should not be admissible as evidence in any debate.
8. Pairing
   a. Teams in round one shall be matched by chance with teams from an Area other than their own.
   b. After round one, prior to the quarter-final round, undefeated teams shall be matched against undefeated teams if possible.
   c. In the quarter-final and semi-final rounds, undefeated teams shall be matched against once defeated teams.

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F. Individual Events:

1. In preliminary rounds, including semi-finals, speaking positions shall be varied. In the final round, speaking positions shall be drawn by lot. (EXCEPTION: The Tournament Director may alter speaking positions to facilitate operation of the tournament.)

2. Rounds, Panels, and Final Scores: There will be seven sections or panels with two preliminary rounds for each individual event.

   a. Two-way ties shall be broken in preliminary rounds and whenever necessary in the semi-final and final round by the preferential system:

Speaker	Judge #1	Judge #2	Judge #3	Cum	Place
David	1	3	2	6	First
Don	2	1	3	6	Second

   David is preferred by two of three judges.

   b. Three- or four-way ties: Three- or four-way ties shall not be broken in any panel. Each contestant involved in a three- or four-way tie in a panel shall be awarded the better middle position for which the speakers are tied:

Speaker	Judge #1	Judge #2	Judge #3	Cum	Place
David	1	2	3	6	Second
Don	2	3	1	6	Second
Dick	3	1	2	6	Second

   c. Whenever a judge has marked a contestant lower than fifth, such a rank shall be changed to fifth before tabulation begins. However, after a sixth, seventh, or eight has been tabulated as a five and a tie occurs, the sixth or seventh shall be used to determine judge's preference:

Speaker	Judge #1	Judge #2	Judge #3	Cum	Place
David	1	5	3	9	First
Don	3	5/7	1	9	Second

   By using the seventh place, it can be determined that David is preferred by two of three judges.

   d. Semi-finals: On a low cumulative basis (considering the rank in each preliminary round and <u>not</u> individual judges' decisions) the semi-final round shall be composed of the top fourteen. If ties bring the number over fourteen, the following shall be considered in the order listed to break the ties in cumulative ranks:

      (1) Greatest number of firsts, seconds, thirds, etc., in <u>round ranks</u>.
      (2) All individual judges' decisions on a low cumulative basis.
      (3) The greatest number of judges' firsts, seconds, thirds, etc., in all preliminary rounds.
      (4) If the speakers who are tied met in any preliminary round panel, resolve the tie by the higher ranking in that panel.
      (5) If ties cannot be resolved by the procedure above, those ties shall be included.

e. Finals: The final round shall be composed of the sop seven. These shall be selected on the basis of low cumulative scores, adding the rankings from the preliminary rounds to the total of all individual judges' decisions in the semi-final round. If ties bring the number over seven, the following shall be considered in the order listed to break the ties in cumulative score:
   (1) Rank in the semi-final round only.
   (2) Judges' preference in the semi-final round. (Speakers tied must have been in the same semi-final panel.)
   (3) Greatest number of firsts, seconds, thirds, etc., in the semi-final round. (Speakers tied must have been in the same semi-final panel.)
   (4) Greatest number of firsts, seconds, thirds, etc., in round ranks in all rounds. (Preliminary round ranks and semi-final round rank.)
   (5) All individual judges' decisions from all rounds on a low cumulative basis.
   (6) Greatest number of individual judges' firsts, seconds, thirds, etc., awarded in all rounds.
   (7) If the speakers who are tied met in any preliminary panel, resolve the tie by the higher ranking in that panel.

f. Final score: The winner in each event shall be decided on the basis of low total cumulative score, counting the rankings in the preliminary rounds and each judge's decision equally in the semi-final and final rounds.

Speaker	Rd.1	Rd.II	Semi-judges	Final-judges	Cum	Place
David	1	2	3-2-1	1-2-2-3-1	18	First
Don	2	1	1-3-3	2-1-1-2-3	19	Second

If ties exist, the following shall be considered in the order listed to break the ties:
   (1) Rank in the final round only.
   (2) Judges' preference in the final round only.
   (3) Greatest number of firsts, seconds, thirds, etc., in the final round only.
   (4) Greatest number of firsts, seconds, thirds, etc., in round rankings for all rounds (preliminaries, semi, and final).
   (5) Greatest number of firsts, seconds, thirds, etc., from all judges in all rounds.

If ties still exist, duplicate awards shall be given.

3. Extemporaneous Speaking:
   a. Subjects shall be drawn from topics discussed in U.S. NEWS, TIME, and NEWSWEEK for eight weeks preceding the State Tournament.
   b. Drawing: Each contestant will draw topics for each round from the following categories:
   Round I - International topics; Round II - National topics;
   Semi-finals - General analytical topics; Finals - International topics.
   The contestant shall promptly choose one topic for this speech, which topic should be promptly recorded. He shall not speak twice on the same subject area. Each contestant will draw 30 minutes before the contest.
   c. Preparation: Preparation must be made without consultation with coaches or other persons. Permission to use books, magazines, library aids, etc., is given. However, previously written speeches and outlines are not permitted. Violations of these rules shall result in disqualification. The preparation room shall be proctored at all times to enforce these rules.
   d. Notes: No notes are allowed in the presentation of the speech.
   e. Time: Contestants shall not speak more than seven minutes; there is no minimum time limit. Exceeding this time limit shall be penalized by a lowering of not more than one rank.

4. Impromptu Speaking
   a. Subjects: Three types of topics shall be used. Round I - brief, thought-provoking quotations such as, "Adversity introduces a man to himself"; Round II - general topics of current importance and interest such as, "How is TV affecting our culture?"; Semi-dinals - one word abstract topics such as, "thrift," "charity," "fear"; Finals - brief, thought-provoking quotations.
   b. Drawing: Each contestant will draw three topics each round from which he shall immediately select one.
   c. Preparation: No more than two minutes shall be allowed the speaker. Timing shall begin the moment the speaker draws his topics. The speaker shall remain outside the contest room until the time to draw. The speaker may remain in the contest room after he has completed competition in each specific speaking round.
   d. Notes: No notes are allowed in the presentation of the speech.
   e. Time: Contestants shall not speak more than five minutes; there is no minimum time limit. Exceeding this time limit shall be penalized by a lowering of not more than <u>one</u> rank.
5. Original Oratory
   a. Orations: All orations entered must be the work of the contestants. All orations must have been prepared during the current school year. Orations which have been used in tournaments or service club contests in previous years shall be disqualified. Any appropriate subject may be used, but the orator must be truthful. Any non-factual reference, especially a personal one, must be so identified.
   b. Time: Orations shall be no longer than ten minutes; there is no minimum time limit. Deviations from this maximum shall be penalized by a lowering of not more than <u>one</u> rank.
   c. Quotations: Not more than 150 words of the oration may be direct quotations from another speech or writing. <u>A typewritten copy of the oration with quotations indicated shall be filed with the Tournament Committee at the time of final registration. This copy shall include the following statement signed by the coach</u>: "To the best of my knowledge this oration meets all requirements outlined in the State rules."
   d. Aids: No notes or manuscripts shall be permitted. Violations of this rule shall result in the contestant being ranked no higher than fifth place.

6. Interpretations:
   a. General Rules:
      (1) No student may use exactly the same literary work which he has used in previous years; e.g., if he used a cutting from Our Town, The Diary of Anne Frank, Please Don't Eat the Daisies, etc., he may not use the same play, diary, book, etc., again.
      (2) No student may enter the same selection in two state qualifying events. A selection shall be a quotation in excess of 150 words.
      (3) Time: Interpretations shall be no more than ten minutes including introductions; there is no minimum time limit.
      (4) Title, name of author or original speaker, and source of publications are to be submitted at the time of final registration and are to be used by the contestant when introducing his selection. The Tournament Committee shall disqualify any contestant whose selection does not meet the general and specific rules outlined herein. Failure of a contestant to introduce his selection as prescribed above shall result in his being penalized by a lowering of not more than one rank. No costumes shall be worn by the contestant.
      (5) No interpretive selection shall be the student's own work. Singing and dancing are not permitted.
      (6) "Publisher" as used in these rules means materials published, printed, readily available, and distributed nationally. It does not mean a local publication or the printing of a limited number of copies. Selections available only in nationally distributed phonograph records shall be permitted if the material is printed on the record jacket or on a printed enclosure. Only the publication itself or a photostatic copy of the original source is to be considered adequate proof of publication. The original publication of any interpretation selection must be other than a declamation bureau (e.g. Wetmore, Edna Means, etc.).
   b. Specific rules:
      (1) Programmed Reading: The contestant is to present a program of reading based on a theme of his choice. Each program is to contain three or more separate selections or cuttings from different works. Selections must be chosen from published literature. The program is to be read. The books or manuscript must be in the hand of or resting on a stand in front of the interpreter. In oral interpretation, the individual suggests the thoughts, the emotions, the ideas, and the purposes of the author. Introductory, explanatory, and connective material shall include the author and title, and must be the student's own words, must not exceed one-third of the total time, and must be delivered in an extemporaneous manner. Contestants must remain standing at all times. Violations of these rules shall result in the contestant being ranked no higher than fifth place.
         (a) A typewritten copy of the programmed reading shall be filed with the Tournament Committee at the time of final registration.
         (b) Introductory and transitional material shall be underlined.

(2) Dramatic Interpretation: Selections must be chosen from published stories, plays, essays, or poems. In oral interpretation, the individual suggests the thoughts, emotions, the ideas, and the purposes of the author. This is in the context of oral interpretation not solo acting. Although gestures and pantomime are not barred, they should be used with restraint. One-character selections may be used. Contestants must remain standing at all times. Selections must be memorized; no notes or manuscripts are permitted. Violations of this rule shall result in the contestant being ranked no higher than fifth place.

(3) Humorous Interpretation: Selections must be chosen from published stories, plays, essays, or poems. Slapstick humor is not allowed; this is not a vaudeville act. In oral interpretation the individual suggests the thoughts, the emotions, the ideas, and the purposes of the author. This is in the context of oral interpretation not solo acting. Although gestures and pantomime are not barred, they should be used with restraint. One-character selections may be used. Contestants must remain standing at all times. Selections must be memorized; no notes or manuscripts are permitted. Violations of this rule shall result in the contestant being ranked no higher than fifth place.

7. Expository Speaking:
   a. All speeches must have been prepared during the current school year.
   b. No costumes shall be worn by the student.
   c. A manuscript with quotations underlined shall be filed with the Tournament Committee at the time of final registration.
   d. The expository speech is a talk to be delivered by the student who composes it. Any appropriate subject may be used, but the primary purpose of the speech must be to describe, clarify, explain, and/or define an object, idea, concept, or process. Visual and/or audio aids may be employed insofar as they support the overall goal of the speech. However, the emphasis should be placed on the student's own oral presentation. The expository speech shall require not more than ten minutes to deliver including preparation and/or set-up time; there shall be no minimum requirement. Failure to meet time limitation shall result in a loss of one ranking. Use of manuscript or notes is optional.

G. Student Congress

1. A California Student Congress shall be a regular event of the CHSSA State Tournament. Said Congress shall have a 28 member State Senate and a 34 member State House of Representatives to be chosen as follows:
   Area I 7 Senators, 9 Representatives
   Area II 7 Senators, 8 Representatives
   Area III 7 Senators, 9 Representatives
   Area IV 7 Senators, 8 Representatives
2. All delegates to the State Student Congress must have qualified for such position at an earlier league practice congress within each Area. Those qualifying congresses will be run according to the rules of the State Congress, as far as possible.
3. Each Area shall assign two Presiding Officers to the State Congress.
   a. One to the Senate; one to the House.
   b. Each Presiding Officer shall come from separate leagues within each Area.
   c. The Presiding Officers shall be elected by their respective chambers in qualifying congresses.
   d. Although the Presiding Officers will be seated members of their respective chambers, they will only be eligible for Presiding Officer awards and cannot be nominated for Best Speaker awards.
4. Committees:
   a. The Congressmen shall meet in four joint committees with the following membership distribution:

	Comm. #1	Comm. #2	Comm. #3	Comm. #4
Area I	2S - 2R	2S - 2R	2S - 2R	1S - 3R
Area II	2S - 2R	2S - 2R	1S - 2R	2S - 2R
Area III	2S - 2R	1S - 3R	2S - 2R	2S - 2R
Area IV	1S - 2R	2S - 2R	2S - 2R	2S - 2R
Totals	15	16	15	16

   b. Each Committee shall have 2 Co-chairmen who shall be the Presiding Officers from the same Area.
      (1) Chairmen for Committee #1 shall come from Area I.
      (2) Chairmen for Committee #2 shall come from Area II.
      (3) Chairmen for Committee #3 shall come from Area III.
      (4) Chairmen for Committee #4 shall come from Area IV.
      (5) Each Chairman shall preside over ½ his committee meeting.
   c. Each committee shall prepare and approve a minimum of three bills or resolutions for presentation during the legislative assemble sessions.
      (1) Committee #1 prepares bills on NUEA Problem Area One.
      (2) Committee #2 prepares bills on NUEA Problem Area Two.
      (3) Committee #3 prepares bills on NUEA Problem Area Three.
      (4) Committee #4 prepares bills on NUEA Problem Area Four.

5. There shall be four Preliminary Legislative Sessions.
   a. The opening order of business for each chamber shall be to set the calendar for each of the four Preliminary Sessions, the Semi-final Session, and the Final Session.
      (1) In the Preliminary Sessions, Session One shall be reserved for one bill approved by Committee #1; Session Two, Committee #2; Session Three, Committee #3; Session Four, Committee #4.
      (2) Two bills shall be reserved for the Semi-final Sessions.
      (3) One bill from each Chamber shall be reserved for the Unicameral Final Session.
   b. The Presiding Officers shall preside as follows:
      (1) Presiding Officer from Area One during Preliminary Session One.
      (2) Presiding Officer from Area Two during Preliminary Session Two.
      (3) Presiding Officer from Area Three during Preliminary Session Three.
      (4) Presiding Officer from Area Four during Preliminary Session Four.
6. There shall be a bicameral Semi-final Session.
   a. 14 members of each chamber shall be chosen for Semi-final competition on a low cum basis after all judges ballots from the preliminary sessions have been tabulated.
   b. Two Presiding Officers shall be elected by their respective chambers at the completion of the Preliminary Sessions. Each Presiding Officer so elected will preside over ½ the Semi-final Session of his chamber.
   c. Each chamber shall discuss and act on the two bills which were assigned to this session during the opening order of business of that respective chamber's Preliminary Sessions.
7. There shall be a unicameral Final Session.
   a. 7 members of each chamber shall be chosen on a low cum basis using all judges' (Preliminary and Semi) ballots for a total score.
   b. Each chamber shall elect one Presiding Officer at the completion of the Semi-final session to preside over ½ the Final Session.
   c. The members shall discuss and act on the two bills (one from each chamber) which were assigned to this session during the opening order of business of the Congress.
   d. At the completion of this session, the members shall elect the Outstanding Presiding Officer (1st Place) and the Superior Presiding Officer (2nd Place). Ties shall be broken by the greatest number of 1sts in the Semi-final. Further ties shall be broken by applying the same method to the preliminary ballots.
8. Official Scorers
   a. Each Committee shall have two Official Scorers, each serving for ½ the committee meeting.
   b. In each chamber, there shall be four Official Scorers, each serving for one of the Preliminary Sessions.
   c. In each chamber, there shall be two Official Scorrers, each serving for ½ the Semi-final Session.
   d. In the unicameral Final Session, there shall be three Official Scorers serving simultaneously for the complete session.
   e. Each Scorer will choose first through ninth Best Speaker for each scoring period. (For tabulation, any speaker not mentioned in the first nine on the Scorer's ballot will receive a score of 10.)

9. Awards
   a. First through Seventh Best Speaker will be computed on a low cum basis using the total of all scorers' ballots throughout the Congress.
   b. The Outstanding and Superior Presiding Officers shall be decided as outlined in 7,d, p.21, above.
10. Delegates will be recognized in the inverse order and ratio of speaking. The precedence will begin anew at the beginning of Semi-finals and again at the beginning of Finals.
11. Speeches for or against a bill are limited to 3 minutes with no extra time for questions.
12. Any delegate who is 10 minutes late for a session will not be seated during that session except by permission of the Student Congress Director.
13. No bills or resolutions are in order unless approved by one of the Joint Committees.
14. Bills approved in committee but not set into the Calendar during the opening session may be presented whenever the Calendar for a session is completed.
15. Motion to Adjourn or Recess is not in order unless called for by the Agenda.

SECTION V - Judging

A. In all individual events, three judges will be used in each section or panel of the preliminary and semi-final rounds. Five judges will be used in each final round.

B. In debate, three judges will be used up to and including the quarter-finals. In the semi-final rounds, five judges will be used. No judge should score the same debate team twice in the same tournament.

C. Judging requirements:
   1. Each coach not involved in running the tournament will be required to judge not more than four rounds.
   2. Qualified judges from various college campuses should be encouraged to participate in judging the State Tournament.

SECTION VI - Award System:

A. Grand Sweepstakes: The traveling sweepstakes award will be presented to the school gathering the highest number of points on the basis of the point system outlined below. A school winning the trophy three times may keep it permanently. Plaques of appropriate size shall be awarded permanently to the first five places.
   1. Individual Events: Finalists in individual contests will be awarded sweepstakes points as follows: 1st place, 7 points; 2nd place, 6 points; 3rd place, 5 points; 4th place, 4 points; and three points to all other students in the finals.
   2. Debate: Sweepstakes points will be awarded on the basis of two points for each winning decision. A bye shall be awarded two points as though it were to win. Thus, the team winning first place in the finals and having gone through six preliminary rounds, quarter-finals, semi-finals, and the finals without a defeat will have earned 18 sweepstakes points.
   3. Student Congress: The seven Best Speaker awards shall be computed as a regular individual event for sweepstakes. The Outstanding Presiding Officer will be awarded 7 sweepstakes points. The Superior Presiding Officer will be awarded 6 sweepstakes points.

B. Individual Awards: The President or CHSSA officer designated by the President shall be responsible for ordering the awards and for having the certificates printed on parchment paper. The basis for the awards is outlined below.
   1. Trophies and/or plaques of descending size shall be awarded to all finalists; medals or plaques to all semi-finalists; medals or plaques to quarter-finalists in debate.
   2. Certificates: All participants in the State Tournament will be given certificates which will carry the Seal of the California High School Speech Association.
   3. Student Congress:
      a. First through Seventh Best Speaker will receive suitable plaques or trophies.
      b. The seven non-placing Finalists will receive suitable Finalist awards.
      c. The seven semi-finalists from each chamber who do not compete in the Finals will receive suitable Semi-finalist awards.
      d. Outstanding (1st Place) and Superior (2nd Place) Presiding Officers shall receive suitable awards.

SECTION VII - Administration

A. The President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer shall
   1. Act, with the tournament host, as a committee to conduct the State Tournament. The CHSSA President shall be chairman of the committee.
   2. Act, with the CSSC member who serves as the event's chairman, to arbitrate difficulties arising in that event.

B. The Area Chairmen of the four qualifying areas shall
   1. Certify contestants for the State Tournament from their areas.
   2. Collect copies of orations, interpretation data, and entry fees from their areas.

C. The Secretary shall provide posting sheets, tally sheets and cards, and clerical supplies.

D. CSSC members shall be appointed to handle sweepstakes tally, event drawing and tally, preparation of impromptu topics, preparation of extemporaneous topics, extemporaneous supervision, and other necessary duties at the State Tournament.

E. High School coaches of participants shall be obligated to judge at the State Tournament.

F. All students must be supervised by an adult present at the tournament. Any complaints made to the tournament committee must be registered by the coach of the school involved or his designated teacher alternate. In no case should a parent or a member of the student's family handle the complaint.

G. Results of the preliminary rounds shall be posted before the semi-finals begin, and the results of the semi-finals shall be posted before the final round begins.

H. Procedure for handling the State Tournament shall be outlined and disseminated to the host and CSSC members.

I. Late registration for debate on Thursday or for individual events on Saturday shall result in either an automatic debate loss or outomatic fifth place in the first rounds.

ARTICLE IV - DISSEMINATION OF RULES

SECTION I - The rules shall be published and disseminated to all CHSSA members by the Coordinator by December 1 of each year.

SECTION II - Revision of established rules shall be made by the CSSC at the Spring meeting after the State Tournament and shall be disseminated according to the procedure in Section I. Such changes as may be necessary for the State Tournament rules may be made at the fall meeting of the CSSC.

ARTICLE V - DEBATE TOPIC

SECTION I - The official delegate to the NUEA meeting shall report in detail the proceedings of the national meeting to the CHSSA President. The President shall then disseminate this information to the league presidents who shall submit a preferential ballot (1, 2, 3) to the CHSSA President by a deadline which he establishes. The CHSSA President, after tabulating results, shall send the information to the member leagues and to the NUEA representatives.

ARTICLE VI - ELECTIONS

SECTION I - The President and the Vice-Presidents shall be elected at the annual CSSC meeting held in the spring after the State Tournament and shall take office on July 1 of that year.

SECTION II - The President and Vice-Presidents shall be elected for a term of one year. However, they may succeed themselves in their respective offices.

SECTION III - Area Chairmen: The presidents of bona-fide forensic leagues within each area shall select an area chairman for the coming year at the annual CSSC meeting held in the spring after the State Tournament and so inform the CHSSA President and the CHSSA Secretary at said meeting.

1. Each of the four area chairmen shall
   a. Designate official qualifying tournaments in his area.
   b. Assign schools to qualifying tournaments in his area.
   c. Recommend redistribution of state tournament entrants to the CHSSA President.
   d. Meet with other area chairmen before meetings of the CSSC to resolve any disputes which may arise over the above procedures and to discuss inter-area problems of qualifying and the State Tournament.
2. Expenses:
   a. Area Chairmen's expenses to and from CSSC meetings shall be paid by leagues in their respective areas.
   b. Uncompensated expenses related to State Tournament administration shall be apid by CHSSA.
   c. Travel compensation shall be the same as described in Article I, Section II, paragraph D.
3. Curriculum Representatives: The Area Chairman in each area shall, in consultation with the presidents of bona-fide forensic leagues within the area select at the spring meeting after state finals a curriculum representative for the area and shall inform the CHSSA President at said meeting. Curriculum representatives shall:
   a. Make progress reports at each CSSC meeting.
   b. Provide curricular assistance to all schools seeking such assistance.
   c. Collect and make available information regarding courses of study, textbooks, and other curricular materials for speech.
   d. Cooperate with the other curriculum representatives and the CHSSA Curriculum Vice-President in the effort to improve the speech curriculum throughout the state.
   e. Curriculum representatives' expenses to and from CSSC meetings shall be paid by the leagues in their respective areas; this compensation shall be the same as described in Article I, Section II, paragraph D.

ARTICLE VII

SECTION I - Names of all past presidents, since 1957, of CSSC shall be listed on a roster in addition to the by-laws.

A.	1957-1958	Edna Spelts	Modesto-Downey
B.	1958-1959	Joseph G. Lagnese	Sweetwater
C.	1959-1960	Carmendale Fernandes	Sunnyvale-Fremont
D.	1960-1961	George Armstrong	Coachella
E.	1961-1962	Mary Ritter	Modesto
F.	1962-1963	Lehr R. Mushrush	Torrance-North
G.	1963-1964	Bro. Robert Maguire	San Francisco-Riordan
H.	1964-1965	Duane Johnson	Fullerton
I.	1965-1966	Ted Moore	San Francisco-Lincoln
J.	1966-1969	Jim O'Banion	Fresno-McLane
K.	1969-1972	Donovan Cummings	Stockton-Edison
L.	1972-1974	Richard E. Gustafson	Manhattan Beach-Mira Costa

SECTION II - Names of all host schools, since 1957, of the State Tournament shall be listed in this section of the by-laws.

A.	1958-1967	University of California, Santa Barbara
B.	1968	Stanford University, Palo Alto
C.	1969	California State College, Los Angeles
D.	1970	University of Pacific, Stockton
E.	1971	California State College, Fullerton
F.	1972	University of San Francisco, San Francisco
G.	1973	University of California, Los Angeles

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS

SECTION I - Changes in by-laws shall be in effect when approved by a majority vote of the CSSC members at a meeting. A copy of the change indicating exact wording and location of the change shall be deliverd to the Secretary before final vote on the change.