

WVCJEA Meeting

July 26, 2021

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Discussion:

Discussion as to fall conference. Online seems to be the most feasible option, too many layers to have an in-person option. There is concern about getting student interest with them being online for the last year and a half of online classes. There were concerns noted about the amount of work needed to put on a good online conference especially given some of the increased workload for many of the faculty in the association. There were concerns noted about controlling for cheating in things like Quiz Bowl and Crime Scene competition.

There was an idea put forward to have a speaker or webinar for 1-3 hours with keynote speakers and how that may look. Options to have it live, or recorded, or both.

Discussion about Crime Scene being done virtually, a recorded walkthrough that teams could walk and a different type of report than what is done in the traditional in-person crime scene comp. The video could be open for 24 hours to allow for multiple re-visiting of the crime scene. Rules would need to be changed to allow for this change. It should be noted that this is the 2021 version for this competition only and would not be permanent changes in the rules. It would allow for a more robust experience in the conference.

As to the quiz bowl, there could be an essay quiz bowl or use of survey monkey where it reads the questions and gives people a certain time to allow the answer. There was also discussion of the social aspect of the Quiz Bowl and how best to capture that.

Tentative date set as Nov 4 and 5.

Motion (CM) to move ahead with holding the conference virtually with speakers via Zoom and recorded and an online Crime Scene competition component, seconded (K D-B) passed unanimously.

Motion to suspend Quiz Bowl for 2021 conference (KS) seconded (SY) and passed unanimously.

Leslie brought issues with the website and suggested that she look at a different hosting site other than Weebly. The cost is \$15 a year. Motion to purchase a domain and allow Leslie to host (LD), seconded (MA) passed unanimously.

Ideas for Speakers:

The conference theme is Criminal Justice in the era of reform. Camm will reach out to a potential speaker in corrections. WVSU will contact possible speakers for law enforcement. MU and WVSU both mentioned possible judges for Drug Court and Family Court that they will contact.

Action steps:

Volunteers from the association will be needed to judge the paper competition.

Volunteers from the association will be need to judge the crime scene competition.

As noted above, members who suggested speakers will reach out to their contacts. The selected day to propose to speakers is Thursday, November 4th.

Another meeting will be held on Friday, August 20th at 2pm via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Kerri Steele, secretary