Minutes of HBETA meeting 28.11.13

Chairperson - Amy Price

Secretary - Zanita Thompson

Apologies:

Iona (Morag Deeley, Marian Meade), Lindisfarne, HBHS.

Minutes

1. John Mckenzie Writing Competition

- winning works were presented in a booklet. It is on the wiki. <http://hbeta.wikispaces.com/John+MacKenzie+Poetry+Competition>.

 Cheques will be presented to the winners.

2. Debating

- ideas on how to run junior debating next year were discussed. Speed debating and using seniors as coaches worked very well at Karamu. Prizes and trophies worked well at HNHS, with debates run over one term.

A vote on how to run debating for 2014 was held. The unanimous result was that the status quo be superseded by the option of including Y10 in inter-school debating. Schools can opt-in with two teams per school or if a school opts out, it can just do it internally.

**2014 Regional Debating Co-ordinators**

**Lyndie Balfour (St John’s) - Year 12/13 debating  - 26 teams.**

**Gwenda Cowlrick (NGHS) - Year 10.**

**Year 9 to remain in school.**

**Noted - A Year 11 co-ordinator is needed.**

The idea of charging a fee per team to put towards adjudicating/paying a coordinator was raised.

**Each school needs a debating coordinator, who needs to sign up to receive emails.** Currently HODs receive these emails but they are not always the coordinator.

**Regional debating-**

**The Russell McVeigh weekend competition will be hosted at Karamu on 22/23 March 2014.**

A training day for adjudicators is needed again so that there is consistency. A request for the  marking of POIs was made. Jo Morris contacted Cameron Price about holding this training and she will email everyone when she has possible dates.  HB was commended for having committed teacher involvement in competitions.

3. Matters arising

John Bird treasurer. We are financially sound.

Thank you to schools for sharing resources and PD.

4. HBETA Hosting for 2014

Karamu to host Term 1 - on the new English online website

Colenso - Term 2

Tamatea - Term 3

NBHS - Term 4.

Amy to do a list for hosts.

5. Thank you to Moira - chairperson of HBETA for 3 years. Flowers were presented.

Meeting closed.

**Presentation by Kelly Faulkner from NBHS**

**“Tips and Tricks for Teachers: Using Google Docs”**

Link to this presentation:

<http://tinyurl.com/hbetaworkshop>

A copy is also on the HBETA wiki

<https://docs.google.com/a/nghs.school.nz/document/d/15MaIIluIawm7stBToNWQooZ1HUJGYmsO_Z6m6sAh3qo/edit>

The presentation was very well received. A comment was made that Google Docs would be

Very useful for 3.8.