Grand Knight Jerome...

Thanks for putting the March Quiz Bowl on the Monday night KC business meeting agenda.  I want to give you a heads up for what will be discussed/asked...

1.  **Date:**  Originally planned for Wednesday night, March 13th, there are simply not enough rooms available to pull it off that night (due to RE classes).  Therefore, Natalie and Evan suggest moving it to Saturday March 9th, **16th**, or 23rd either morning or afternoon.  I initially thought afternoon, but as you will see later in this email, I think a morning 10am start would be best.

2.  **Medals:**  I have Brookings Engraving getting the necessary 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place medals ready like they did last year.  That cost will be ~$60 which the Knights paid last year and I am hoping we get approval again for that expense.

3.  **Prizes:**  Last year, Scott Graham and I split the cost of 15 blizzards DQ cards for the winning teams.  But we had a total of 15 participants last year so they all got DQ cards.  But I am not planning on prizes other than the medals this year.  **No DQ, only medals.**

4.  **Meal (much detail here as much for my own notes):**  Natalie and Evan asked if the Knights would provide pizza either before or after the event as that may help to draw more participants.  I said I would have to ask the Knights first.  If the Knights approve the cost of the meal, it would be best to have pizza after the event so that we can adjust the amount of food purchased based upon how many showed up at the start of the event.  We do get a few parents hanging around to watch and there may be a few siblings too.  Last year we had 15 competitors.  But those that attended really enjoyed it and some even asked when the next one would be.  Some of them will talk it up and we should see more turnout because of that.  Then add in pizza and it could be twice the turnout.  I think the maximum # of competitors would be 30.  Add 15 for parents and siblings and another 15 adults running the event, that is 60 people.  We would limit everyone to 2 slices maximum.  I would also recommend 40 bananas and 20 apples.  Much of this is based upon the Brookings High School Quiz Bowl that Ronda (my wife) leads every year.  We would pre-order 15 pizzas but adjust the number of pizzas ordered based upon turnout at the start of the event--hence the need to put the event in the morning with pizza lunch at the end starting at ~12:15pm.  We would also purchase the apples and bananas after the event starts to order only about how much we need.  So the initial plan for food [which would be adjusted based on turnout] would be as follows...

+  $30 for fruit

     ++  40 bananas  
     ++  20 apples (golden delicious)

+  $188 for pizza (estimate and it includes ~10% tip)

    ++  19 Papa John's Pizzas...  
           --- 8 Pepperoni  
           --- 4 Cheese  
           --- 7 Sausage  
 --- plates & napkins  
 --- TBD by 12:00pm  
 --- Use East Entrance of STM Church 1700 8th St. South

+  $12 for paper cups (we would have pitchers of water chilled but avoid any dishwashing)

$230 for the meal assuming 60 people but if the turnout is less at the start of the event, then we will reduce the actual amount of food purchased.

5.  **Total cost:**either...

      A) $60 (medals but no meal), or

      B) up to an estimated maximum of ~$290 ($60 medals with $230 meal).

So the questions to the Knights are...

1... Is any particular Saturday (March 9th, 16th, or 23rd) better? and

2... Would you fund only the medals or would you also fund a pizza lunch?

Kelly

Pre-ordered pizza with Stephanie for March 16th, to be delivered by 12:20pm

$177.73 is the total