Executive Summary of Speech Document Changes for 2021-2022

Ballots
1. Platform, Oratory Analysis, and Extemp - Rearranged Ethos wording: “Builds credibility through sources and/or personal connection (ethos)”
2. Expository - Added language referencing audio aids: “Proficient handling of visual and/or audio aids.”

Rules
3. Original Oratory and Persuasive - Added language in presentation rules to be similar to Expository rule regarding audience participation: “People and live animals may not be used as aides or active participants in the speech.” (Presentation Rule #6)
4. Apologetics - Specified that Apologetics note cards can be no larger than 4”x6” (Preparation Rule #3)
5. Oratory Analysis, Original Oratory, and Persuasive - Added new presentation rule: “Only feet are permitted to touch the floor at any time.” (OO and Pers: Presentation Rule #5; OA: Presentation Rule #7)
6. Clarified time limit in Presentation rules of the following Interpretive events
   a. Duo & HI: “Maximum speaking time is ten (10) minutes, including any audience reaction.”
   b. OI: “Maximum speaking time is six (6) minutes, including any audience reaction.”
7. Extemporaneous Preparation Room Protocol - Added new proctor responsibility: “The Proctor(s) should minimize communication with competitors in the Extemp Prep Room and must not discuss any competitor’s Extemp topic/question.” (Proctor Responsibilities #6).
8. All Interpretation, Platform, and Oratory Analysis - Added a presentation rule: “Competitors may not receive or access any verbal, non-verbal, electronic, and/or written communication, nor any form of visual assistance during delivery of the speech.”
9. All Limited Prep - Added a presentation rule: “Competitors may not receive or access any verbal, non-verbal, electronic, and/or written communication, nor any form of visual assistance during preparation and/or delivery of the speech, other than specifically allowed preparation materials.”

Question/Topic List
10. Apologetics Questions - Replaced 4 questions.
11. Mars Hill Topics
   a. Updated topic list with new titles in various categories.
   b. Created a “Literature” category with the combination of “Narrative, Novellas, Non-fiction” and “Other Literature”.
   c. Created the new category “Current Cultural Media”.
   d. Hyperlinks added to most of the new “Current Cultural Media” to facilitate finding the appropriate content.

Impromptu Speech Event
12. Updated Impromptu Rules, Ballot, and Room Administration documents.
Other Documents

13. Speech Citation Help Page - The Platform Citation Help Page document expanded to give better clarity about platform citations and include citations for interpretative events.
14. Interpretation Submission forms #7- Added the requirement to include the url in the screenshot of internet sourced pieces. “The screenshot should include any sidebars, headings, etc., that are a part of the computer screen, including the url of the website.”