



name: **Constantinides, Chloe**

office: **Parliamentarian**

sponsor: Todd Weganhart

school: Wyoming High School

grade: 10

Classics/JCL Experience:

Years of Latin/Greek: **4**

State Conventions attended: **3**

National Conventions attended: **2**

Will you attend all Executive Board Meetings, Fall Forum 2019, and State Convention 2020?

(Y/N): **Yes**

Will you attend the 2019 National Convention at North Dakota State University in Fargo, ND?

(Y/N): **Yes**

Experience/Activities:

Club Offices: **Secretary and Parliamentarian**

Relevant experience or traits, general and with specifics for the given Office:

Experience: - Model UN (read many amendments) - Help organize WYOJCL Website:
"How to be an Officer" page Trait: - Passionate/ hardworking (when I want to accomplish something, I will work hard until it is perfect or as good as it can be)

School & non-school related activities/sports/etc.:

I am a year round swimmer for both a club team and my high schools swim team. I'm an avid musician, playing both the piano and the violin. I also really like volunteering. I attend weekly workshops at WordPlay Cincy, a writing center, and I'm a team member of Cincy Scribes, the teen poetry troupe there. Even with these activities, I've had to adjust to my schedule and I've learned a lot about balancing. However, the most effective way to try to stay balanced is to be on top of everything I have to do and plan for them. All in all, it comes down to organization and how I can utilize free time that I have, especially on the weekends.

Executive Board:

Ability to communicate with students and adults (chaperones, sponsors, teachers):

The most experience that I have gained about communication outside of Latin Club is as a LDC counselor. Kids with different backgrounds come together every other Saturday to organize a yearly summer camp for kids who want to become better leaders. The counselors all have to work together to organize classes (teach students a variety of things such as public speaking to confidence and much more), to get speakers to talk with the campers, fun activities, and so much more. This takes a lot of communication with peers and adults.

What have you done to understand the duties of the office you are seeking?

I read in depth the OJCL By-Laws that have outlined the basic responsibilities of each office. I have also attended most of "Meet the Candidates" and "NomCom" of OJCL. Also at NJCL I have tried to attend as much of the events relating to elections as I could. I like to read different JCL constitutions of different states; in the middle of Wisconsin's at the moment. I was

also able to write the constitution of my own club. From that, I learned how to introduce new content and improvements to the constitution. I also have experience in parliamentary procedure through my school's Model United Nations club. Our club was known for putting on WYOMUN, a model UN conference with multiple delegates from different schools across Cincinnati. There, I was able to help co-chair committees and help run the crisis team. Especially in the committees, I could run voting procedures and motions. I also have parliamentary procedures in my school's Latin club. This year I ran elections, which hadn't happened in a while at our school. Even though our elections weren't as big and complicated as elections on the state level, it was good entry level experience.

Do you have any goals/ideas for the Executive Board and/or the OJCL? Please be specific to the office you are seeking.

I have realized while being the Parliamentarian at my own school that it is really hard to get people to run because of misunderstanding on leadership positions. You can reach out to as many people as you want, but if people do not know what to run for or how or what it takes to be in an officer position they most likely not run. My idea is to have a page on the website titled "How to be an Officer" which really helped my school get more people to run for office. On this page it would have an outline of what kind of experience you could have in order to become a better candidate for office. One of the main problems with not as many people running for office is the club is not as active. This brings up my next idea, I want to communicate with the editor/ write articles for the torch that could be about what one could do to build up your club, which the Wyoming Latin Club had first hand experience with. One of my last ideas is to open up Constitutional amendments to other JCL members. I saw on the website that Julia Dean (Parli 2017-2018) made a Google Form on what people want to change with the Constitution and By-Laws. I would like to make it more personal by sending emails (or some other way of contact) to different schools to ask if there is anything in particular in the Constitution/ By-Laws that they wish to change.

Why would you like to become a member of the OJCL Executive Board?

I loved being part of the Junior Classical League for the past four years, and the community around the OJCL is amazing. I would love to be more involved and to inspire my fellow Wyoming peers to get more involved with JCL activities.

Other Biographical Information/Comments:

None.