Duties of the Chairperson – Junior Round Robin

Instructions:
- Chairman to fill out before debate begins
- Words written in bold typeface are to be read out
- Make sure you ask each speaker (and the adjudicator) how to correctly pronounce their name if unsure

Welcome to the _____ round of the Queensland Debating Union, Junior Round Robin Competition.

The topic for tonight’s debate is: _____________________________________________________________ (topic)

Debaters will speak for FOUR minutes with a warning bell at THREE minutes and two bells at FOUR minutes. A triple bell will also be heard at FOUR minutes and thirty seconds if a speaker is over time.

Representing the AFFIRMATIVE team from _________________________________ (name of school) is
______________________________________ (name of speaker) as first speaker,
______________________________________ (name of speaker) as second speaker and
______________________________________ (name of speaker) as third speaker

Representing the NEGATIVE team from _________________________________ (name of school) is
______________________________________ (name of speaker) as first speaker,
______________________________________ (name of speaker) as second speaker and
______________________________________ (name of speaker) as third speaker

(Remember to wait until the Adjudicator has indicated that they are ready for the next speaker before you call upon each speaker in turn)

I now call upon ___________________________ (name of speaker) to OPEN the Affirmative team case.

I now call upon ___________________________ (name of speaker) to OPEN the Negative team case.

I now call upon ___________________________ (name of speaker) to continue the Affirmative team case.

I now call upon ___________________________ (name of speaker) to continue the Negative team case.

I now call upon ___________________________ (name of speaker) to conclude the Affirmative team case.

I now call upon ___________________________ (name of speaker) to conclude the Negative team case.

(At the conclusion of the debate, wait until the Adjudicator has indicated that they are ready to announce their decision.)

I would now call upon the adjudicator, _______________________________ (adjudicator’s name) to deliver their adjudication.

I now call upon ___________________________ (the affirmative team) to deliver a vote of thanks

I now call upon ___________________________ (the negative team) to deliver a vote of thanks

Thank you ladies and gentlemen for your attendance, I now declare this debate closed.