Attendance

Angela Angeleska (UTampa), VP Site Selection  
Brian Camp (Saint Leo), VP Programs  
Scott Hochwald (UNF), President  
David Kerr (Eckerd), Secretary/Treasurer  
Monika Kiss (Saint Leo), VP-elect Programs  
Altay Özgener (SCF), Webmaster  
Joni Pirnot (SCF), President-elect  
Don Ransford (FSWSC), Student Activities Coordinator-elect  
Janet Samuels (SCF), Student Activities Coordinator  
Sidra Van de Car (Valencia), Past-president  
Jacci White (Saint Leo), Governor

Guests

Jenna Carpenter, Vice-president, MAA  
Ryan Kasha, President, FTYCMA  
Jane Tanner, President-elect, AMATYC

Approval of Minutes from the 2014 Executive Committee Meeting

The minutes from the Executive Committee Meeting of April 26, 2014 were approved.

Reports

Joni Pirnot gave the President-elect report. She reported that UWF is planning to host the West Coast regional meeting in either February or March and that they have asked the Executive Committee for names of individuals in STEM-oriented businesses or industry who might serve as good plenary speakers. Joni asked members of the Executive Committee to contact her directly if they knew of any such persons. Joni then proposed that the Florida Section consider implementing a program by which regions would conduct student poster session competitions with each region picking a winner and then having the 6 winners compete for state-wide honors at the annual sectional meeting. The Executive Committee appointed Joni and Don Ransford to an ad-hoc committee to look into the matter and see if it is possible. Joni also requested that each member of the Executive Committee bring a ‘list of responsibilities’ as regards their current position to the next meeting of the Executive Committee so that an ‘Officer’s Responsibilities’ page can be added to our website.
Ryan Kasha gave the FTYCMA report. He reported that the Fall Retreat this year would be held at Florida SouthWestern State College, October 9-10, 2015. The focus of this year’s retreat would be MAT 1033 – Intermediate Algebra.

David Kerr gave the Secretary/Treasurers report and reported that the section’s finances are strong with a balance around $16,000. He also reported that this balance would decrease significantly over the next few days as expenses associated with this meeting are disbursed. He reported that the annual financial statement, covering the sections finances between 1/1/14 and 12/31/14 was sent to national MAA in early January.

Jacci White gave the Governor’s report. She reported that MathFest 2015 would be in Washington DC and that the prime focus of the meeting would be the centennial celebration of the founding of the MAA. MathFest has been extended one day this year to allow for these festivities. Jacci requested that the section make a $1,000 donation to the MAA’s 2nd Century Campaign and this request was formally approved by the Executive Committee. She asked for members of the Florida Section to consider serving on the national committees of the MAA. Jacci then reported that the MAA is revising its Departmental Membership program with the program commencing in Fall 2015. In this regard, departments will no longer receive paper copies of the MAA journals but will instead receive electronic copies and will be allowed to award unlimited student memberships. Complete information on the new structure will be sent to departments this summer. Jacci reported that a draft of the new CUPM Curriculum Guide is now on-line on the MAA website. This is the public phase of the revision process and the CUPM solicits comments about this publication from individuals nationwide.

Brian Camp gave the Vice-president for Programs report. He reported that his work is completed and that the program is all set and ready to go. This year he was able to schedule two Polyá Lecturers for our meeting.

Angela Angeleska gave the Vice-president for Site Selection report. She reported that the sites for the next 2 meetings are:

2016: Saint Leo University
2017: State College of Florida

Dates yet to be determined.

Janet Samuels gave the Student Activities Coordinator report. She reported that this year’s competitions would include a door prize of a TI Inspire calculator. The calculator would be awarded by raffle from among all the student participants.

Altay Özgener gave the Webmaster’s report. He reported that we have relocated our sectional listserv to national MAA. He also reported that our sectional Facebook page has been receiving scores of ‘likes’ each week – most of these coming from international web addresses.

Monika Kiss gave the Vice-president-elect for Programs report. She said that she is planning three plenary speakers for the 2016 meeting. She also said that she is thinking of spotlighting some (or all) of the MAA SIGMAAS.

Jenna Carpenter encouraged all members of the Florida Section to look at the draft copy of the CUPM Curriculum Guide and to provide comments. The guide includes recommendations as to courses and programs on how to prepare students for employment in the 21st century. Jenna also reported on the MAA’s new departmental membership program.

Old Business

Sidra Van de Car presented the slate of officers to be voted on at the annual business meeting:

President-elect – John Waters (SCF)
VP-elect for Programs – Daniel Jelsovsky (Florida Southern)
VP-elect for Site Selection – Brian Camp (Saint Leo)
Student Activities Coordinator – Don Ransford (FSWSC)
Newsletter Editor – Daniela Genova (UNF)

David Kerr reported that the sectional award winners for 2015 are:

Teaching Award – Patrick Bibby (UMiami)
Service Award – Jacci White (Saint Leo)
New Business

None.

Adjournment

1/23/2015 11:45 AM

The meeting adjourned at 1:45am.