

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
Florida Section of the Mathematical Association of America
February 15, 2008
Florida Southern College

President Lubomir Markov called the meeting to order at 10:10am.

In attendance:

Joel Berman (Valencia CC), President-elect
Bettina Capano (Santa Fe CC), VP-elect Site Selection
Scott Hochwald (UNF), Governor
Daniel Jelsovsky (Florida Southern), Coordinator of Student Activities;
David Kerr (Eckerd), VP-elect Programs
Lubomir Markov (Barry), President
Altay Özgener (Manatee CC), Webmaster
John Waters (Manatee CC), Secretary/Treasurer
Jacci White (Saint Leo), Past-president

The minutes from the Executive Committee Meeting of April 22, 2007 were approved.

Reports:

1. David Kerr reported for Eduardo Fernandez, Vice-president for Programs, that the only thing unusual about this year's program was that three of the abstracts came from faculty members at universities in Turkey. Eduardo communicated with these individuals, via e-mail, that the Florida Section could not provide any kind of financial support or support with the U.S. State Department concerning visas. The individuals led Eduardo to believe that they could travel to Florida on their own and that they would like to give a presentation at our meeting. We kept their abstracts in the program but, in the end, all three were no-shows for their presentations.
2. Scott Hochwald reported that the national MAA is assessing itself in 3 more areas and that the final reports of all these assessments are now available on the MAA website. Scott reported that this is the time for people at the sectional level to communicate their concerns to national. Scott also reported that the MAA is considering redirecting some of its investments into 'green corporations and companies' but is still, at this time, in the

preliminary phase of this decision. Scott reported that ‘bricks’ for the brick walk at the MAA Headquarters complex in Washington, DC are available for purchase at a price of \$303 (because Paul Halmos was born on March 3rd). At this meeting, the Executive Committee decided to purchase a brick for the brick walk from the Florida Section.

3. Dan Jelsovsky reported that both an integral contest and a Sudoku contest will again be held at this year’s annual meeting. Student winners of the integral contest will receive a cash honorarium of \$50 and \$25 for first and second place, respectively. The winner of the Sudoku contest will receive a free MAA book.

4. Lubomir Markov, reported for Pam Crawford, Vice-president for Site Selection, that Embry-Riddle is tentatively scheduled to host the 2010 meeting. The site of the 2009 annual meeting will be Florida Gulf Coast University in Ft Myers on February 13/14, 2009.

5. John Waters reported that our balance in our account, as of 2/15/08, is \$15,130.16 but that this balance will significantly decrease over the next few days as we pay the bills for this meeting.

6. Joel Berman reported that the regions - First Coast, Suncoast and West Coast all held regional meetings this year.

7. Jacci White reported the following slate from the Nominating Committee:

President-elect: Pam Crawford, Jacksonville University

Vice-president-elect for Programs: Monika Vo, Saint Leo University

Vice-president-elect for Site Selection: Daniela Genova, UNF

Coordinator of Student Activities: Julie Francavilla, Manatee CC

Newsletter Editor: Chuck Lindsey, FGCU

8. Altay Özgener reported that he will continue on as webmaster for the section.

9. Deanna Haunsperger, a plenary speaker and representative from national MAA, reported that national is currently soliciting sectional history’s for the 2015 centennial celebration. Deanna also reported that the emphasis this year from national is on sections.

Old Business

There was no old business

New Business

There was no new business.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15am.

Minutes of the Annual Business Meeting
Florida Section of the Mathematical Association of America
February 16, 2008
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President Lubomir Markov called the meeting to order at 2:00pm.

1. The section unanimously approved the slate of officers as proposed by the Executive Committee.
2. The section unanimously approved the idea of using section funds to purchase a brick for the 'brick walk' at MAA Headquarters building in Washington, DC.