

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
Florida Section of the MAA
April 23, 2005
Florida Atlantic University - Jupiter Campus

President Steph Fitchett called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

In attendance:

Joel Berman, VP-elect-Programs;
Eduardo Fernandez, VP-elect-Site Selection;
Terje Hoim, Local Arrangements Committee;
Scott Hochwald, Past President;
Daniel Jelsovsky, Coordinator of Student Activities;
David Kerr, Governor;
Chuck Lindsey, 3rd Past President;
Bill Rush, Newsletter Editor;
Joe Skala, Secretary/Treasurer;
Li Zhou, VP-Programs.

The minutes from the Executive Committee Meeting of February 24, 2005 were approved.

Reports:

1. Steph Fitchett reported on the regional meetings for 2004-2005. First Coast and Suncoast held meetings and West Florida is planning a meeting in Fall 2005.
2. Joe Skala reported on costs associated with the February 2005 sectional meeting at Manatee Community College. Unfortunately, the section lost money from this meeting. The cause of the loss was primarily the subsidy of 25 meals for undergraduate students at the banquet and the costs of covering travel expenses for some members of the Executive Committee. To compensate for this, the section will raise pre-registration fees to \$15 and on-site registration fees to \$20 for the 2006 meeting. The Executive Committee also decided that the price for both the banquet and luncheon should cover actual expenses. Finally, the section will begin asking publishers for a \$400 table fee. Joe reported that 251 people attended the annual meeting at Manatee Community College with 121 pre-registers.

There were 53 MCC students who served as moderators for the contributed papers sessions and as helpers for the conference.

3. Bill Rush reported that the section web-site continues to evolve. He passed out a template which establishes the deadlines for the 3 annual issues of the newsletter.

4. Dan Jelsovsky reported on student activities in the section. He plans to continue the Student Integral Contest in 2006 with a \$50 award to the winner and a \$25 award to the runner-up. He asked members of the Executive Committee to submit problems for the contest. The Executive Committee endorsed Dan's ideas that student registration continue to be free, that students only pay half price for participation in the banquet or luncheon, and that students who speak at the conference be given a \$25 stipend and a free ticket to the banquet.

5. Li Zhou reported on a preliminary program for the 2006 meeting which would include 3 plenary addresses - Underwood Dudley, James Tanton and Steve Dunbar. The section will try to coordinate with MAA national on offering some of the MAA publications of these authors at the meeting.

6. Terje Hoim reported that both the banquet and the luncheon for the 2006 meeting would be in the campus dining hall with approximate costs of \$16 for the banquet and \$10 for the luncheon.

7. Scott Hochwald asked for nominations for the 4 positions to be filled next year.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Steph Fitchett reported that she is going to consult with Martha Goshaw about coordinating a sectional Project Access fellow.

The meeting concluded with a tour of the facilities at Florida Atlantic University - Jupiter campus..