EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MAA-FL Section

Date | time | place 4/18/2015 10:30 AM | St Leo University  Meeting called to order by Joni Pirnot

Attendance

Brian Camp (Saint Leo), VP-elect Site Selection
Scott Hochwald (UNF), Past-president
Daniel Jelsovsky (Florida Southern), VP-elect Programs
David Kerr (Eckerd), Secretary / Treasurer
Monika Kiss (Saint Leo), VP Programs
Milé Krajčevski (USF) VP Site Selection
Altay Özgener (SCF), Webmaster
Joni Pirnot (SCF), President
Don Ransford (FSWSC), Student Activities Coordinator

Guest
Ryan Kasha, President, FTYCMA

Approval of Minutes from the 2015 Executive Committee Meeting

The minutes from the Executive Committee Meeting of January 23, 2015 were approved.

Reports

Joni Pirnot gave the President’s report. She reported that our initiative to create a notebook outlining the specific tasks (responsibilities) of the officers of the Florida Section was no longer needed because, for the most part, our Bylaws explicitly outline these tasks. Joni did propose in its stay that we create templates, which would be posted on our webpage, outlining the general form of our annual meeting (3 plenary speakers, 45 or 20 minute talks in the Contributed Paper Sessions, etc.) and a template that would outline the tasks of the Local Arrangements Committee. The Executive Committee approved this and Altay Özgener and David Kerr were tasked to create the templates.

Joni also proposed that we try to encourage more presentations by math graduate students. She recommended that we revise our current policy of giving as many as 4 graduate students $150 each when they present at our meeting but, with the further stipulation that the student be currently enrolled in a PhD program at UF, FSU, USF, or UCF, to open this opportunity to any graduate student in the state enrolled in a PhD program. The Executive Committee approved this proposal.
Joni also proposed the idea of having multiple winners in the Integral and Ken-Ken Contests. Ryan Kasha posited that FTYCMA might also want to sponsor a student winner – someone who is currently enrolled in one of the two-year state colleges. The idea of student poster sessions was also discussed but no formal decisions were made.

David Kerr gave the Secretary/Treasurer’s report and reported that there were 180 total attendees at the 48th annual meeting that was held at Eckerd College, January 23, 24, 2015. Pearson Education was the only publisher who purchased a table and $897.50 worth of MAA books were awarded to student presenters. David reported that all 3 national MAA reports had been completed and submitted electronically.

David also reported that the financial state of the section was good with a balance of $12,055.60 through 4/18/15.

Monika Kiss gave the VP for Programs report and informed the Executive Committee that Francis Su had already been lined up as a plenary speaker. She also proposed that we add a Friday afternoon luncheon to our meeting that could serve as a new faculty orientation to the section. The Executive Committee approved this idea and decided to comp the costs of the luncheon for any first-time attendees to the meeting.

Don Ransford gave the Student Activities Coordinator report He reported that he was thinking of expanding our student competitions to include Acrostics or, perhaps, an origami folding competition.

Milé Krajčevski gave the VP for Site Selection report and confirmed that the dates of our future meetings are:
Saint Leo University, February 26-27, 2016

The 2017 meeting will mark the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Florida Section. Milé also said that he had approached FAU in Boca Raton about hosting the 2018 meeting.

Altay Özgener gave the Webmaster’s report and reported that all of the pages on our website have been updated and expired material removed.

Ryan Kasha gave the FTYCMA report. He reported that the Fall Retreat this year would focus on MAT 1033 – Intermediate Algebra and also focus on 21st Century Mathematics.

Brian Camp gave the Local Arrangements Committee report and reported that most of the talks and presentations for the 2016 meeting would be held in the most recently constructed buildings on campus. He also reported that all classrooms on campus are outfitted with high-tech projectors and computers.

Old Business

The Executive Committee appointed Scott Hochwald (chair), Monika Kiss, and Milé Krajčevski to the Nominating Committee - David Kerr (chair), Scott Hochwald, and Jacci White to the Award’s Committee.

The Executive Committee appointed Monika Kiss to be the sections representative at MathFest 2015.

New Business

None.

Adjournment

4/18/2015 12:30 PM

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm and was followed by a walking tour of the Saint Leo facilities.