Attendance

Brian Camp (Saint Leo), VP Site Selection, President-elect
Daniela Genova (UNF), Newsletter Editor
Daniel Jelsovsky (Florida Southern), VP Programs
David Kerr (Eckerd), Secretary / Treasurer
Chuck Lindsey (FGCU), VP-elect Programs
Anthony Okafor (UWF), VP-elect Site Selection
Altay Özgener (SCF), Webmaster
Joni Pirnot (SCF), Past President
Don Ransford (FSWSC), Student Activities Coordinator
John Waters (SCF), President
Jacci White (Saint Leo), Governor

Guests: Mike Mears (SCF, Ret)
Penny Morris (PSC)

Approval of Minutes from the 2015 Executive Committee Meeting

The minutes from the Executive Committee Meeting of February 26, 2016 were approved.

Reports

John Waters gave the President’s Report. He reported that our 2017 annual meeting will mark the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Florida Section. He is looking forward to SCF hosting this meeting.

David Kerr gave the Secretary / Treasurer’s Report and reported that there were 177 total attendees for the 49th annual meeting. For student attendance, we had 51 undergraduate students, 7 graduate students, and 1 elementary school student. There were a total of 21 student speakers. David also reported that the financial condition of the section is strong. The current balance is around $12,000 with all of the bills from the 49th annual meeting paid. David reported, however, that this total would decrease a little this summer and fall with our $500 contribution to Project NExT, our travel awards to 4 PhD candidate students, and our travel awards to 4 NYC Playwrights. David reported that the annual Section Meeting Report for 2016 had been sent to the MAA in March.
After some discussion, the Executive Committee decided that the $500 contribution to Project NExT should be formally approved by the Executive Committee each February and that the MAA’s 2nd Century Campaign would be the ‘default’ for this contribution.

Jacci White gave the Governor’s Report and reported that the MAA e-mail listserv can only be used two times a month with the messages going to all MAA members in the section. Jacci reported that this year’s MathFest would be in Columbus, Ohio. She also asked for people in the Florida Section to consider serving on one of the national committees of the MAA.

Daniela Genova gave the Newsletter Editor’s Report. She said that we can use the national office of the MAA to send out a section-wide e-mail three times a year either containing the newsletter itself or containing a link to the newsletter. Daniela is also thinking of a special newsletter this year to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the section.

Dan Jelsovsky gave the Vice-president for Programs Report and informed the Executive Committee that he had lined up Ken Ono and Tim Chartier as plenary speakers. There was some discussion here about the third plenary speaker. Some local-area people in the section were considered for that third plenary but, in the end, the Executive Committee decided to allow the performance of “The Math Plays’ to stand in lieu of our third plenary. The play is to be performed just before the Saturday luncheon at the 2017 meeting.

Chuck Lindsey gave the Vice-president-elect for Programs Report and reported that he would contact graduate school advisors throughout the state and inform them of the four $150 awards for PhD candidate presentations. He also recommended that the existence of these awards be clearly advertised on the Student Pre-registration forms.

Brian Camp gave the Site Selection Report and informed the Executive Committee that the 2017 meeting would be at SCF, the 2018 meeting at Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton, and the 2019 meeting at Valencia College.

Don Ransford gave the Student Activities Coordinator Report He reported that he is planning two student competitions for the 2017 meeting – Integration and Problem Solving. He is also thinking about a contest, completed before the meeting, to honor the 50th anniversary, perhaps 3-d printing or a poetry / prose contest. Don recommends that we award Amazon Gift Cards as the prizes for the student competitions.

Altay Özgener gave the Webmaster’s Report and reported that all of the pages on our website are up to date. He also reported that the FTYCMA Fall Retreat would be held at SCF this year.

Joni Pirnot gave the Local Arrangement’s Committee Report and reported that SCF has portable laptop computers to accommodate workshops.
Old Business

None.

New Business

The Executive Committee appointed Joni Pirnot (chair), Daniela Genova, and Jacci White to serve on the Nominating Committee. They appointed David Kerr (chair), Jacci White, and Joni Pirnot to serve on the Award’s Committee and they selected David Kerr to be the section’s representative at MathFest. Additionally, David Kerr (chair), Joni Pirnot, and Mike Mears were appointed to serve on an ad-hoc committee to select the section’s recipient of the 2017 National MAA Service Award.

Adjournment

5/21/2016 12:30 PM

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