IN-MAA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

HELD AT: Franklin College

DATE: May 28, 2014

PRESENT: Michael Karls (Outgoing Governor), John Lorch (Incoming Governor), Robert Merkovsky (Past Chair), John Rickert (Chair), Haseeb Kazi (Secretary), Adam Coffman (Past Public Information Officer), Josh Holden (Public Information Officer), Kurt Bryan (Past Treasurer), Alex Capaldi (Treasurer), Justin Gash (Student Activities Coordinator),

Guests: Steve Schonefeld (IN-MAA Local Organizer at Trine University)

MINUTES TAKEN BY: Haseeb Kazi

- Meeting was called to order by the section Chair–John Rickert at 11:03 a.m.
- Minutes from the April 4th business meetings were approved unanimously.
- The board thanked the outgoing officers for their valuable services, and also welcomed the newly elected and incoming officers.
- Haseeb thanked Justin Gash for recording the minutes, and all others for accommodating his absence from the last business meeting.

• Governor’s Report:
  Outgoing current Governor—Michael Karls….nothing new to report
  Incoming Governor—John Lorch….No report

• Secretary’s Report:
  Haseeb handed out copies of his typed report. The report presented a recap of the Spring 2014 meeting at IPFW including some info on the sessions, panels, workshops, awards, ICMC, attendance data, meals & facility rental, and the Eventbrite sales.

• Treasurer’s Report:
  The outgoing officer Kurt presented printed copies of the report noting that our total account balances on May 27, 14 were $9793.83 which is around $3000 down from the last year. This includes the $2,500 support to the Project NExT last year, and around $500 loss from the Spring meeting. The total cash flow from Spring 2014 meeting was $3722.50, and the expenses were $4191.22. The ICMC registration has brought in $330.
  Incoming Treasurer—Alex….No special report. It was noted and appreciated that Alex will also be serving as an elected Treasurer for the IN- NExT until 2015.

• Public Information Officer’s Report:
  Outgoing PIO—Adam….no special report. He has enjoyed working as IN-MAA PIO for the past six years. As a representative from the Spring 2014 meeting host institution, Adam thanked...
MAA for the prompt reimbursements to their math department for taking care of the meals and facility rental costs.

New Treasurer—Josh....no formal report. He is already on board and is going to take care of the future PIO business.

- **Student Activities Coordinator:**
  Justin had nothing major to report. He shared that the ICMC went well. Justin further advised that this year the margin of victory from second to third place has narrowed a lot.

**GENERAL BOARD DISCUSSION:**

**Upcoming Meetings:**
- Fall 2014 – Trine University, October 18, 2014.
  Steve Schonefeld and Haseeb reported on the local host arrangements and offered to answer any questions.
- Spring 2015 – Taylor University, March 13-14, 2015. MAA president Francis Su will be the Plenary speaker. It was also noted that March 14, 15 will be the epic pi day.
- Fall 2015 – Purdue North Central, October 17, 2015
- Spring 2016 – Valparaiso/Franklin/Earlham—all three on board at this time. Exact location will be decided later.

**Old Business:**
- Fiftieth ICMC is getting closer. The board discussed the possibility of having something special and student activity oriented. Justin brought up the t-shirt idea and discussed the pros and cons of having a student competition for designing the t-shirts. John Rickert recommended that if the logistics work, we can have the t-shirt competition. Rob added that we could post the competition on our website. Alex suggested having ‘designer’ and ‘winner’ printed on the t-shirts for the participants and the winners of the competition. Rob proposed giving polo shirts with the same design as on others to the winners. On overall the t-shirt idea was liked by all. Further details can be settled later.
- The board discussed the support for the project NExT. We do value and support the project. Indeed, in the past some years we have also provided some funding for it. However, due to our limited financial resources at this point, we are unable to provide any monetary support this year. We might revisit this issue during the next year.
- The board recommended having a NExT member at every business meeting to report on their activities.
- John Rickert recommended passing around checklists of officer duties to the successors as we move along. This will help in smooth transition. All agreed. Outgoing chair Rob distributed copies of the section chair tasks.
New Business

- The board agreed to keep all talks 20 minutes with 5 minutes Q&A, and 5 minutes travel time.
- There was a consensus on building in extra 15 minutes slot for ICMC orientation.
- Alex will be our official representative at MathFest section officers meeting.
- Referring to the ‘Indiana Section Local Arrangements Checklist’, Haseeb pointed out that the brief description of the ‘Restaurant for Saturday chair/liaison breakfast in spring meetings’ sometimes doesn’t sound very clear to the local organizers. May be we could state that more explicitly. Rob proposed replacing this chair/liaison breakfast by night before chair/liaison dinner. None opposed, and the motion carried.
- The board approved to celebrate 100 years of Indiana MAA in Spring 2016. We will consider holding special talks or a panel highlighting the ‘100 years’ theme, and/or having a 100th anniversary plenary speech.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Haseeb A. Kazi

Secretary IN-MAA