Indiana Section of the MAA Business Meeting
Saturday, March 14, 2015
Taylor University – Euler Science Complex Room 109

1. The meeting was called to order at 1:23 p.m. by the Section Chair John Rickert.

2. Secretary Haseeb Kazi distributed the minutes from the last business meeting, which were unanimously approved. The business meeting attendance count was 40 members.

3. MAA President Francis Su presented an MAA report on behalf of our Section Governor John Lorch, who had to be away due to another official commitment. The members were also reminded about the Centennial Math Fest this year, which is going to be a great event.

4. IN-MAA Treasurer Alex Capaldi shared the report that he had already filed with the national MAA on behalf of our Section. Everything looked well.

5. Public Information Officer Josh Holden reported that he continues learning the ropes and performing periodic updates to the website. He also welcomed any volunteers who were interested in coordinating with him as official photographer for our Section.

6. The Student Activities Coordinator Justin Gash shared that thirty-three teams competed this time. This means around 15% higher participation than the last year, which sounds great. This time Taylor University won the first place. Rose-Hulman earned the second, and IPFW got the third. A student workshop on “Lattices, Limits, and Lines, Oh My!: A Pi Day Exploration” was led by Prof. Stacy Hoehn of Franklin College. Justin also invited members to contact him for sharing any input on student activities or leading a student workshop in future.

7. Details of the Section Awards presented at the Friday Banquet:
Patrick Sullivan received the Distinguished Service Award. Kenneth Constantine received the Distinguished College or University Teaching of Mathematics Award. Please continue nominating deserving colleagues in the future. The teaching award nominations should be sent to the Section Secretary, and the service award nominations to the committee. See our section webpage for relevant details.

8. IN-MAA Secretary Haseeb Kazi presented the 25/50 years of the MAA membership certificates. None of the recipients was present; however, their names were announced by the Section Chair John Rickert. The following individuals were recognized for their long association with the MAA:
   Timothy J. McLarnan—25 years
   David B. Hartvigsen—25 years
   Mark J. Bruso—25 years
   Clark H. Kimberling—50 years

9. Elections and Appointments:
   a. Daniel Kiteck of Indiana Wesleyan University was nominated by the Nominating Committee for Vice-Chair, and was affirmed by acclamation.
   b. Alain Togbe of Purdue University North Central will take on as the 2015-2016 IN-MAA Chair.
10. The upcoming meeting locations were discussed.
   a. Fall 2015: Purdue North Central, Oct 17, 2015
   b. Spring 2016: Franklin College, Indiana MAA 100th anniversary—March 18th and 19th were identified as the proposed good dates
   c. Fall 2016: TBD (two institutions have shown some interest in hosting—interested parties are advised to contact the IN-MAA vice chair)  (Update: Will be held at Purdue University West Lafayette— October 22, 2016)
   d. Spring 2017: Valparaiso University  (Update: Will be held at Earlham College (most likely) Fri/Sat March 24-25, 2017)
   e. Fall 2017: TBD  (Update: Will be held at Manchester University— dates to be decided)
   f. Spring 2018 – Tri-Section meeting (location not known yet)  (Update: Will be held at Valparaiso University— dates to be decided)
   g. Contact the section vice-chair if your institution would like to host a meeting.

11. On Executive Board’s recommendation, Justin Gash shared the proposal of having Centennial t-shirts for all of the Spring 2015 meeting attendees for $10 each. This was liked by all, and the proposal was unanimously approved.

12. IN-MAA Outreach Program Coordinator David Housman invited the interested individuals to assist him in promoting this great initiative. Alain Togbe emphasized the need of reaching out, and inviting more members to attend the meetings, and getting involved with the section.

13. Derek Thompson, Justin Gash, and Francis Su shared brief comments about the initiatives of having more graduate students’ participation, presenting talks/collaborations, and thus also benefiting the undergrads who plan to pursue higher studies and research at graduate level.

14. The proposal of placing talks on You Tube and starting a section channel was presented to the membership, but could not receive a favorable response, probably due to the noticed lack of interest, together with the extra responsibility involved, and the potential legal and technical issue.

15. Jeremy Case, Alain Togbe, Rob Merkovsky, and Justin Gash discussed the ideas for having special Math History talks in connection with our 100 years celebration of the MAA at the next Spring 2016 meeting at Franklin College.

16. Ken Luther, Derek Thompson, Alex Capaldi, Rick Gilman, and David Housman shared their input on optimizing the IN-MAA book sale event. We will keep looking into new initiatives of making it a more worthwhile event, in terms of both the logistics and promotion.

17. Thanks were expressed to all attendees, and especially to the outgoing officers and the invited speakers

18. The meeting was adjourned at 1:53 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Haseeb A. Kazi
Secretary, Indiana Section of the MAA