

Third Annual Report of MAA Sections

Year Ending May 15, 1980

Name of Section: IOWADate of this report: 4/23/80Name of Official Section Representative (who is to receive travel funds for Ann Arbor meeting): ARNOLD ADELBURGSection Office held by Representative: CHAIRPERSONName of Section Secretary (preparing this report): E. JAMES PEAKE, JR.I. Meetings

- (1) For each regular section meeting held between May 15, 1979, and May 15, 1980, please give

Date(s) APRIL 18 + 19, 1980Location(s) SIMPSON COLLEGE, INDIANOLA, IOWAApprox. Attendance 69

- (2) Please describe any particular highlights or novel features of this year's meetings, and give some indication of their reception by the members. (If more space is needed for your response to this or other items, please continue on reverse side.)

MET JOINTLY WITH IOWA SECTIONS OF SIAM AND AMERICAN STATISTICAL ASSOCIATION (AS WELL AS IOWA ACADEMY OF SCIENCE). RESPONSE GOOD ALTHOUGH SIAM CHAIRPERSON WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE APPLIED MATH PAPERS.
VOTED TO DISCONTINUE FORMAL ASSOCIATION WITH IOWA ACADEMY OF SCIENCE BUT TO NEGOTIATE FUTURE JOINT MEETINGS.

- (3) If your section had any special meetings, please give dates, locations, purposes, and accomplishments of such meetings. (Report workshops, short courses, etc. under III below.)

II. Newsletter

- (1) Does your section publish a newsletter? No If so, how many times did it appear this year? _____
- (2) If the answer to (1) is Yes, please give the editor's name and address:

- (3) Does your newsletter take care of all regular communications within the section _____, or is it necessary to make one or more other general mailings? _____
- (4) Please estimate the total cost to the section of publishing your news letter (including printing, postage, etc.), on a per copy, per issue basis. _____

III. Section Activities

- (1) Does the section sponsor a Visiting Lecturer program for secondary schools in the region? No If so, approximately how many visits were made this year? _____ How is the program financed? _____

- (2) Does the section sponsor a Visiting Lecturer program for colleges in the region? No If so, please describe each -- its dates, location, theme or purpose, number of participants, and program highlights. (If you have printed brochures or announcements, we would appreciate your including copies with this report.)

- (4) Is the section involved in other educational programs or activities, either alone or in cooperation with other organizations? No

If so, please describe:

- (5) Last year's report revealed that in many sections there has been little participation by persons in two-year colleges and in non-academic employment. Has your section made any special effort this year to encourage either of these groups to become more active: No

If so, please describe:

IV. Finances

- (1) Does your section assess annual dues? No If so, what is the amount of the dues? _____ About what fraction of the section membership paid dues this year? (Circle one)

0, 1/8, 1/4, 3/8, 1/2, 5/8, 3/4, 7/8, 1

- (2) Do you charge a registration fee at section meetings? No. WE HAVE BEEN CHARGED A FEE BY THE IOWA ACADEMY OF SCIENCE. (\$8.00)
If so, how much? _____

- (3) What other regular source(s) of funds does your section have (exclusive of the annual MAA subvention regularly sent out by the Washington office)?

NONE

- (4) Is the income adequate to meet the expenses of the present level of activities of the section? YES

- (5) If the answer to (4) is No, what steps are being taken by the section to solve the problem? _____

- (6) Are there specific section activities you have wanted to undertake but have delayed or curtailed for financial reasons? No Please specify: _____
- (7) How many times in the last five years has your section applied for grants from the MAA's Fund for Aid to Sections (see Handbook for Section Officers)? NONE
- (8) What is your section's policy regarding payment of honoraria to invited speakers
- (a) Who are members of your section? No HONORARIA
- (b) Who are not members of your section? No HONORARIA
- (9) Do publishing company representatives display textbooks at Section meetings? No If so, what fee do they pay? _____

V. Strengths and Weaknesses

- (1) On the basis of your section's recent activities and present condition, what would you say have been its strongest features or its most significant activities this past year?

AN EXCELLENT JOINT PROGRAM WITH IOWA SECTIONS OF SIAM AND AMERICAN STATISTICAL ASSOCIATION AT ANNUAL MEETING.

- (2) In a similar vein, what do you consider to be the weakest features or the most serious problems facing your section at this time?

NEGOTIATION OF FUTURE MEETING ARRANGEMENTS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS.

(3) How strong was the participation in section affairs this year by your members in: (Circle answers, please)

<u>PhD granting Institutions</u>	<u>Two-year Colleges</u>	<u>Other colleges and universities</u>	<u>Areas of non-academic employment</u>
poor	<u>poor</u>	poor	poor
fair	fair	fair	<u>fair</u>
<u>good</u>	good	<u>good</u>	good

VI. Suggestions for the Committee on Sections

This committee exists for the sole purpose of helping sections to maintain and increase their effectiveness. To this end a year ago we have been asking you to suggest things we might do to help your section. The response has been excellent. We have already acted on some of your suggestions. Please be as specific as possible.

VII. Did your section make any effort this year to involve undergraduates on the program at a section meeting? YES If so, please give details (e.g. number of student papers, description of special activities for undergraduates, etc.): 1 STUDENT PAPER

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by May 16, 1980, please.