

Section Business Meeting

Called to order at 13:00, Saturday, March 25, 2017.

1. Presentation of Bylaws by John Wilson

Proposed changes include:

- * extension of the necessary lead time to introduce bylaws revisions/amendment to membership has been extended from 15 days to 20.
- * the term "national organization" has been deprecated in favor of inclusivity with international members.
- * language referencing the diversity goals of the MAA and of the Section has been expanded.

John Wilson moves to accept the bylaws. Bill Fenton seconds, measure passed by voice vote.

2. Officer reports:

Vice-Chair (Cheryl Crowe): We still have T-shirts for the event, so get one if you like.

Treasurer (Ken Dutch): Our balance is still about \$10,000. We're still looking at possible ways to make good use of that balance. We don't quite have numbers for this meeting's cashflow, but it looks to be \$200 or \$600 positive flow.

Chair (Pat Costello): Tom Richmond was elected Section Rep (formerly Governor). Thanks to Larry Gratton, Duk Lee, and Tom Richmond (not certain on that list?) for serving on the nomination committee.

Kathy Lewis was elected Chair-Elect and Atilla Sit is treasurer.

Governor/Section Representative (John Wilson): The MAA has given us a new governance structure but it is largely parallel to our old structure; there is still a central steering committee and a larger body of section representatives; the new structure plays up the section-rep's role explicitly as representing their sections.

Publications and membership are issues to the MAA; how to keep membership valuable to members of the profession with value-adds worthwhile to younger members is a focus of the plan to revitalize the membership. This is an ongoing conversation, but includes potential changes to institutional memberships (which will bring students into the fold as free members).

If you're interested in committee work, let me (Jake Wildstrom) know and I can pass your name up to the MAA.

The election is underway for the MAA President and Vice-President. Vote before May 2.

Mathfest will be in Chicago, July 26-29.

Adjourned at 13:21.

Executive Committee Meeting

Called to order at 13:25, Saturday, March 25, 2017.

1. Approval of Executive Committee Minutes from October 22, 2016 meeting at Berea College

Pending correction of Ken's role: Cheryl moves, John seconds, approved by voice vote.

2. Officer Reports

a. Chair: Molly Dunkum(chair-elect)/Pat Costello (outgoing)

No report; see business meeting report above.

b. Governor/Representative: John Wilson

We've been having some communication dysfunction on the central organizational level, and we need to figure out why they're not working.

c. Chair-Elect: Molly Dunkum

We have a Facebook page for outreach purposes. Since we have that, we now want to be taking lots of photos to put on there. Newsletter editor might be the first place to start looking for a photographer --- either doing it themselves or passing it on to someone else (preferably a photo-happy young person).

The section has an email address now, KentuckyMAA@gmail.com; that's the email attached to the Facebook account but otherwise not used in an official capacity.

d. Secretary: Jake Wildstrom

I've made every possible mistake once. So hopefully from here it gets easier. I'll follow through on John's suggestions vis-a-vis communication.

John proposes circulating minutes from last year's meetings at upcoming general-body minutes. This is generally a well-regarded idea.

e. Treasurer: Ken Dutch was not present; salient details were in business meeting (see above) and more detailed balance reports on this meeting's finances will be forthcoming. The newly elected Treasurer is Attila Sit.

f. Newsletter Editor: Andy Martin

Not too much activity at present. The newsletter is another place where communication with and facilitated by the central office is significant and we need to be sure how our lines of communication works; does the NE contact the programs office directly for the email blasts, or pass

through the secretary? We'd much rather contact our membership directly but that's not an (apparent) option.

g. **Webmaster: Scott Dillery** was not present.

h. **Vice-Chair: Cheryll Crowe:**

T-shirt sales/giveaways were a success: we recouped \$200. Surveys will be looked at soon and I'll send out summary information. The survey's been shortened which has boosted response.

i. **Student Chapter Coordinator:** currently vacant

3. Meeting Host Report: Larry Gratton

Not present; he's open to comments to improve Berea's future hosting. The only complaint voiced in the meeting was a lack of coffee cups at dinner. In general the vibe is that Berea did excellently. The Aftermath kind of slipped through the cracks but we didn't communicate well on that.

4. Committee Appointments

We have a solid list of people who put "willingness to serve on a committee" in their meeting registration, but we want to boost the bench of prospects, and we'll make sure to reach out on a continuing basis.

- a. Teaching Award Committee
- b. Nominations Committee

[DJW: My notes don't detail these individually; I don't recall specific names floated for the committees collectively or individually at the time]

5. Schedule of next elections

Next year we elect a new Secretary and Student Chapter Coordinator. SCC is currently a vacant position; the bylaws say we should appoint to fill a vacancy and hold an election at the next meeting. We'll reach out to Rob Donnelly.

Webmaster is an appointed position and the current term ends in 2019. Cheryll is AMC Director, with a term ending 2018, and currently willing to continue but reserving the right to reconsider; Dan is Historian, with a term ending 2020, and wishes to continue. Liaison Coordinator is nonexistent since the liaison program no longer exists on the central-organization level.

6. Future KYMAA meetings

* **2018: Western Kentucky University (site coordinator: Dan Clark)**

The date is not absolutely confirmed yet and Dan asks for a little bit of time to nail it down; update pending.

* **2019: Centre College**

All but confirmed: the department is enthused, but it hasn't been formally run by the dean.

* **2020: Asbury University**

Cheryll confirms that this is a go. There should be a great new facility for talks, too!

7. New Business

We need an official teaching award from Central and to submit for Haimo; both of those are Jake's responsibility.

Potential speakers for next year: Ken Ono, Jackie Jensen-Vallin. Outreach needs to wait until we get the scheduled dates for 2018, but not much later than that. Kathy will follow up with potential speakers.

We've been asked to sponsor a Project NExT fellow; it would cost \$1500. It may or may not be a Kentucky section member.

Jake moves to sponsor a NExT fellow, Andy seconds. Motion passes by voice vote.

It's been suggested we honor upcoming (or recent) retirees who have been long involved in the Section; a lot of people involved in section governance are coming up to retirement. We'll work on building lists to be recognized at the dinner.

Planning: we want to be scheduling things a bit sooner. Jake threw a wrench into this by needing an extension of the abstract deadline to satisfactorily publicize.

We'll figure out a date that works for the autumn meeting and on-campus walkthrough at WKU during the summer.

Adjourned at 14:18.