

Minutes of the General Membership Meeting
MAA MD-DC-VA Section
Anne Arundel Community College, Arnold, MD
Saturday, November 10, 2007

1. Jon Scott called the meeting to order.
2. Minutes from the spring 2007 General Membership Meeting were amended and approved.
3. Treasurer's Report:
 - a. Robb Koether discussed the success of the on-line registration. The total cost was less than \$100 for PayPal.
 - b. Robb reported that the overall amount in the fund is slightly higher than it was last year at this time.
 - c. Robb asked for feedback on the online registration experience. Comments should be sent to Robb at rkoether@hsc.edu.
4. Governor's Report:
 - a. Bud Brown reminded everyone to remember the Sunday to Wednesday dates of the Joint Meetings in January.
 - b. Bud encouraged faculty to take undergraduates to the Joint Meetings and to MathFest and the spring section meeting.
 - c. He announced that Adrian Rice and Eve Torrence received the Trevor Evans Award at MathFest. Bruce Torrence was named a co-editor of Math Horizons.
 - d. He encouraged people to go online and look at the list of MAA national committees and get involved somewhere.
 - e. A question from the floor inquired about how to get involved in the section history project. People were encouraged to contact Karen Diefendorfer at Hollins University if they have any interest.
5. Project NExT and Section NExT Report:
 - a. Leigh Lunsford announced the names of the 12 new Section NExT Fellows.
 - b. She also announced that all of the new Section NExT fellows and five of the six second year fellows are in attendance at the meeting.
6. Chair's Report:
 - a. A motion was proposed and passed that the section should spend \$303 to buy a brick for the Carriage House walkway.
 - b. Jon opened discussion on what are some "major problems and issues faced by sections?" The following things were discussed:
 - i. Small amount of people attending meetings from Ph.D. and masters degree granting institutions.
 - ii. Small percentage of members actually attending meetings.

- iii. It was suggested that we set up a discussion board on the website.
 - iv. Any other ideas should be submitted to one of the officers by the end of November.
 - c. Jon encouraged people to attend the spring meeting at JMU/EMU. Laura Taalman discussed the exciting program and encouraged student involvement.
 - d. Jon encouraged people to send nominations to Robb Koether for spring elections. Nominations are necessary for Chair Elect, Treasurer and one At Large Member.
- 7. A motion was moved and approved from the floor that the Secretary send a letter of appreciation to Anne Arundel Community College for hosting the meeting.
- 8. The meeting was adjourned.