

MD-DC-VA Section of MAA
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Bowie State University, Bowie, MD
November 7, 2014

Attending: Jathan Austin, Ezra “Bud” Brown, Caren Diefenderfer, Ethan Duckworth, John Hamman, Brian Heinold, Robb Koether, Kathryn Lineham, Brian Lins, Minah Oh, Gwyn Whieldon, Dina Yagodich.

John Hamman called the meeting to order.

After a spelling correction, the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of April 25, 2014 were approved.

Brian Lins gave the treasurer’s report. The Section’s finances have been stable for the past 4 to 5 years. Approximately 60 students and 88 faculty have preregistered.

John Hamman, chair of the nominating committee, said that he would like to branch out and select nominees from schools that have not been much involved in the past.

John announced the dates and locations of the next two meetings. The spring 2015 meeting will be hosted jointly by Hollins University and Roanoke College, April 17-18¹. The fall 2015 meeting will be hosted by St. Mary’s College of Maryland, November 6-7.

John then reviewed the various awards to be given at the meeting of the membership on November 8, as well as the membership of the Helen Christensen Service Award committee and the Smith Teaching Award committee.

There followed a discussion of ways in which our section could contribute to the upcoming MAA centennial celebration at MathFest. Suggestions included conducting morning walks in the vicinity of the meeting, possibly including a walk to the MAA Carriage House. Other suggestions included providing activities for students.

Caren Diefenderfer gave the governor’s report. She reported that the MAA is considering ways to streamline the governors’ meetings. At present, there are a large number of governors and the committee reports take a lot of time at the meetings. The MAA may try to reduce the number of governors, although there would still have to be one governor per section.

Dina Yagodich reported that there are six new Section NExT members and three Project NExT members in our section. At this meeting the program will include discussions aimed at new teachers.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Robb T. Koether

¹The meeting date has since been changed to April 24-25.