MD-DC-VA Section of MAA Executive Committee Meeting Minutes Roanoke College, Salem, VA April 24, 2015

Attending: Caren Diefenderfer, Ethan Duckworth, John Hamman, Brian Heinold, Robb Koether, Kathryn Linehan, Brian Lins, Minah Oh, David Shoenthal.

David Shoenthal called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the November 7, 2014 Executive Committee meeting were approved after two corrections: Ethan Duckworth was added to the list of attendees and the spelling of Kathryn Linehan's name was corrected.

There was a brief discussion of having invited graduate students to the fall 2014 meeting. The officers agreed to invite graduate students again, to the fall 2015 meeting.

Brian Lins gave the treasurer's report. There were 95 students and 76 non-students preregistered for the meeting. Brian commented that that is a relatively large number of students and a relatively small number of non-students. The low non-student attendance could possibly be attributed to the meeting occurring very late in the spring semester.

As the Section NExT account is flush with funds, the question was raised of whether we should continue to allocate \$10.00 from each regular registration fee to the Section NExT account. No decision on that question was made, leaving the status quo in place. However, it was agreed that funds from the Section NExT account would be used to fund a Project NExT fellow for \$2500.00 again this year.

David Shoenthal announced the nominees for the offices of chair, program chair-elect, secretary, and at-large member.

David announced that the fall 2015 meeting would be at Saint Mary's College of Maryland, November 6-7. It has not yet been determined where the spring 2016 meeting will be held. John Hamman will contact some possible host institutions.

David said that some members of the John Smith Teaching Award committee are stepping down and need to be replaced. He said that he would like to establish a schedule for the terms of the committee members rather than have the members serve indefinitely until they choose to leave the committee.

Caren Diefenderfer gave the governor's report. The MAA is concerned about its finances. In January 2015 the Board of Governors passed a new departmental membership structure. De-

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John Hamman said that Dina Yagodich, the Section NExT coordinator, would not be attending the meeting, so he will fill in for her by handling the Section NExT activities.

David Shoenthal said that each MAA section now has a Google account which is intended for distributing materials to the section officers.

There was a discussion of the Section's activities at Math Fest 2015. The national office would like each section to have T-shirts or hats or something similar that would identify them as members of their section.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Robb T. Koether