

MAA MA-VA-DC Section Officer's Meeting April 15, 2016
Submitted by Dina Yagodich

Attendees: Jenn Bergner (Governor-Elect)
Caren Diefenderfer (Current Governor)
Katheryn Linehan
Amy Shell-Gellasch
John Hamman
Dina Yagodich (Section NExT)
Brian Lins (Treasurer)
Brian Heinold (Web site)
David Shoenthal
Phillip Poplin
Ethan Duckworth

- Minutes from last section officer's meeting passed without change.
- Budget was presented
- Jennifer was introduced as Governor-Elect
- Program Chair-Elect was Heather Moon, who accepted a new faculty position out of the section. The committee appointed Minah Oh (JMU) as interim Program Chair-Elect.
- Katheryn gave a report about the Spring meeting schedule. 3 panel sessions were offered this meeting for the first time. Evaluations will be done to see if it is popular. Future programs will have a request for panel discussions as well as regular proposals. The deadline for panels may be earlier than regular programs.
- There was an effort made for the Spring conference to invite high school teachers. Only one high school teacher registered for the session. The decision was made to focus the Fall sessions on grad students and Spring sessions on undergraduate students. High school teachers will not be targeted specifically in the future because the results were not substantial. A synopsis of this discussion will be given to the Board of Governors by Caren since that is where the idea of encouraging high school teachers originated.
- The next meeting will be at Johns Hopkins, coinciding with the 100th anniversary of the Section which started at Johns Hopkins. There were a lot of ideas for how to celebrate, but not many people followed through (the actual number of volunteers was n where $n < 1$ and n is an integer).
- Discussion was made about combining the two teaching service award committees.
- There was a reorganization of MAA. The number of governors did not decrease. There are currently 29 Sections with Governors having 3-year terms. There are also 7 council chairs and 3 to 6 At-Large Governors (including Canadian members, High Schools)
- Newsletters will be targeted for publication at the conferences, where they can be handed out or offered online. There are not enough people submitted articles for the newsletter, and costs for printing colored copies can be prohibitive.