

# MAA MISSOURI SECTION NEWSLETTER

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## From the Section Chair (Lori McCune)

The results of the section election are:

- Blaise Heider (UCM) will be the Secretary/Treasurer.
- Kevin Anderson (MWSU) will be Vice Chair.

Also, Hadas Moshonov-Cohavi (Avila) will be serving as the new webmaster.

Mathfest will take place in Philadelphia from August 3-6, 2022. They are planning a full in-person meeting with a virtual component available for remote attendees. Advanced registration rates are available at a discounted rate until June 30. I hope to see you there!

If your institution is interested in hosting a future section meeting or if you have questions about hosting at your institution, please contact Lori McCune at [lmccune@missouriwestern.edu](mailto:lmccune@missouriwestern.edu).

## From the Program Chair (Liana Segal)

The annual Missouri MAA Section Meeting was held on April 8-9 in Kansas City, on the campus of University of Missouri-Kansas City. While the meeting was hybrid, most participants attended in person. We had 73 participants in total. Sarah Greenwald, the Polya speaker, gave an engaging talk, titled *Good News Everyone! Mathematical Morsels from the Simpsons and Futurama*. Tim Chartier, the section visitor, gave another excellent talk, titled *Mathematical Celebrity Look-Alikes*. We had 41 contributed talks, with 21 graduate students and 2 undergraduate students among speakers.

## From the Secretary/Treasurer (Phoebe McLaughlin)

Missouri MAA Section Meeting  
Business Committee Meeting Minutes  
April 9, 2022

1. Approval of minutes from Spring 2021 Executive Committee Meeting

Motion was moved and seconded. All ayes to carry motion.

2. Report on 5k Run/Walk

3 participated the 5k run and 1 walked

3. Program Chair Report – Liana Sega

- 73 people registered for the conference; 8 of them were online and the rest in person.
- Out of the 73, we had 20 graduate students, 8 undergraduate students and 45 faculty who registered.
- We had 41 contributed talks and the 2 plenary talks. Out of the 41 people who gave contributed talks, 20 were graduate students, and 3 were graduate students.

4. Section Representative Report – David McCune

Went over the following resources by MAA

- MAA Convergence
- MAA Press
- MAA Focus
- Funding
- Distinguished Lecture Series
- OPEN Workshop Series
- MAA Virtual programming
- MAA MathFest
- MAA membership benefits
- Departmental memberships
- Membership categories
- SIGMAA
- MAA Connect
- MAA AMC
- MAA on social media

5. Nominating Committee Report – Dave Garth

The following slate of officers was presented. There were no additional nominations from the floor.

Vice Chair

Kevin Anderson from Missouri Western State University

Secretary/treasurer

Blaise Heider from University of Central Missouri

Wayne Johnson, from Westminster College

Will set up online ballot for the elections

6. Program Chair Elect Report – Matthew Wright

Next year's meeting will be in Missouri State University. The dates are currently to be determined.

7. Collegiate Math Contest Report – Chip Curtis

- No contest in 2020
- Had virtual contest in 2021 with 9 teams participated
- Had face-to-face contest this year with 18 teams participated, 53 students attended the contest
- Scott Thatcher is stepping down from the committee. Would like to have at least one more member, two or three more will be great
- Thanks to Liana Segal and the Rockhurst University for holding the contest

8. Secretary/Treasurer Report – Phoebe McLaughlin

Presented 2021 financial report. It was submitted to the headquarters and posted in the section's 2022 Spring Newsletter

9. Newsletter Editor Report – Dan Daly

- The newsletter comes out every November, March, and May
- Plans to step down after this term

10. Additional Member Reports:

a. Missouri Section NExT Report – Sam Chamberlain and Erin Martin

- Tim Chartier and Sarah Greenwald gave excellent presentations
  - Have two new fellows – in need of more mentors
- Had a good meeting, 2 new fellows

b. Webmaster Report – Scott Thatcher

- Is in the process passing the job to the new webmaster
- Will be using the MAA's new hosting system

11. New Business – Lori McCune

a. Future Meeting Locations

Avila has volunteered to host 2024 meeting, would like to have more universities to host the meetings

12. Adjournment

It was moved and seconded to send thank you letters to UMKC and Rockhurst University officials for hosting the conference and math contest.

## **FUTURE MEETING SITES**

The Spring Meeting is held at various locations around the state. The meeting sites for the next several years are listed below for your convenience. If your campus would be willing to host a Spring Meeting, please contact Lori McCune, Section Chair ([lmccune@missouriwestern.edu](mailto:lmccune@missouriwestern.edu)), or any other member of the Executive Committee.

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