MAA NCS Business Meeting Minutes

President: Sarah Jahn
Spring 2019, April 6, Augsburg University, Minneapolis, MN
(Hagfors Center 150AB, 1:15 – 1:50pm)

1. Welcome
   a. Thanks given to all the invited speakers.
   b. Thanks given to all the contributed talks. High diversity of topics and institutions.

2. Officer Reports
   a. Representative (Jason Douma)
      • Reminders:
        1. Vision Statement
        2. MathFest
        3. MAA Press and Publications
        4. New Member Benefits
           a. https://www.maa.org/membership/membership-categories/maa-member-benefits
        5. Continued interest in what happens in a post-JMM world
           a. Send feedback and suggestions to the Representative
           b. Survey
              i. https://www.maa.org/meetings/JMM
        6. Instruction Practices Guide
        7. Departmental Memberships
           a. $500 for small schools with one faculty membership included and latitude for student memberships
           b. Different from the Section’s Institutional Memberships which contribute to Section NExT
        8. Encouragement to support the American Mathematics Competitions
        9. Career Resource Center

   • Coming Soon
      1. MAA Connect – Social platform for the MAA
      2. BIG Mathematics Network
      3. New Membership categories and Opportunities

   • Congratulations to Su Dorée on receiving the Haimo Award

   • Reminder that nominations for National Committees is open
      1. https://www.maa.org/about-maa/governance/council-and-committees-list
b. President (Sarah Jahn)
   - Appreciation to local hosts: Pavel Bělík, Suzanne Dorée, Rich Flint, Matthew Haines, Billie Marget, Jody Sorensen, John Zobitz
   - Thanks given to outgoing Executive Committee Members
     1. Past-President: Namyoung Lee
     2. Information Officer: Kris Nairn
     3. Member-at-large: John Zobitz

c. Treasurer (Justin James)
   - Finances for the Section are in good shape
   - Reminder that our subvention now comes in the Spring
   - Section did well from the Fall
   - Reminder that the NCS will sponsor a Project NExT Fellow every three years (next year is the third year)
   - Continue to utilize Eventbrite for the Section meetings and Summer Seminar
     1. Send comments and/or suggestions to the Treasurer
   - Section meeting registrations will increase from $15 to $25 to deal with the increasing number of schools that are charged “room rates” when hosting a meeting
     1. This was brought to the Business meeting in the Fall
   - Thanks to all departments that have Institutional Memberships (different than Departmental Memberships from National). The proceeds go to support Section NExT activities each year
     1. Small activities in the fall
     2. Larger activities in the spring
   - Book “sales”
     1. Reminded that when sales taxes became required at the book sales, National moved to online sales to prevent the difficulty of keeping track of the different percentages. Because of this, we now have a “book display” and we must determine:
       a. What do we do moving forward? Continue having physical books or not.
       b. Currently, we do not receive any monetary reimbursement from the Section’s online book sales; rather, we receive new physical books to supplement the display or for student speakers. Do we continue this practice?
       c. How do we cull old books no longer available?
         i. Silent auction?
     2. Suggestion to include more activities in the book display to help with traffic (e.g., art exhibits, games, etc.)

d. Secretary (Shawn Chiappetta)
• ~60 attendees with ~15 students
• Will be updating the Abstract form to exclude explicit overhead projectors (becoming a scarce commodity)
e. Information Officer (Kris Nairn)
• Pi Mu Epsilon will occur on April 3-4, 2020
• MAA-NCS Spring 2020 meeting will occur on April 17-18
f. Student Activities Coordinator (Aaron Wangberg)
• ~10 students attended lunch at the JMM and is welcomed by those that attend for their networking abilities. Continue to encourage students to attend
• Assistance is requested for MathFest. Contact Coordinator if willing to help
• The Friday night activities at this meeting were well-received and enjoyed
• Encourage to send students to either Pi Mu Epsilon or Math on the Northern Plains
g. Section NExT (Donna Flint)
• Will have a workshop at the Fall meeting
• Continue to sponsor a Section NExT speaker at each meeting to give a platform for new faculty in the Section
• There were 3 new Section NExT Fellows at the Spring meeting
  1. Reminder: Faculty in their first 4-years or non-tenure track faculty are encouraged to apply via

3. New Section Officer Nominations:
   b. Information Officer (2019-2022) – Donna Flint (South Dakota State University)
   c. Member-at-Large (2019-2021) – Rob Thompson (Carleton College)
      • Nominations from the floor was opened
      • Jennifer Galovich moved to close nominations and vote as a group.
        Seconded by Tom Sibley.
        1. Motion Passed

4. Upcoming Section Meetings
   a) Fall 2019, Concordia College, Moorhead, MN
      • October 18-19
   b) Spring 2020, St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN
      • April 17-18

5. Awards and Recognition Presentation
a. MAA-NCS Meritorious Service
   • Shawn Chiappetta (University of Sioux Falls)

b. MAA-NCS Award for Distinguished College or University Teaching of Mathematics
   • Aaron Wangberg (Winona State University)

c. 25- and 50-Year Membership Awards
   • 25-Year Award: John S. Kronholm

6. Update on Summer Seminar
   a. Currently have ~20 registration out of 30 maximum spots
   b. Background on the presenters and materials can be found via:
      • http://sections.maa.org/northcen/summerSem.html

Meeting adjourned at 1:52pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Shawn Chiappetta

MAA-NCS Secretary