

MINUTES

Executive Committee Meeting - Rocky Mountain Section MAA
October 29, 1982

Participating in telephone conference call: John Hodges,
George Donovan, Carl Kerns, Marie Ritten, Frank DeMeyer and
David Ballew

FROM: David Ballew, Secretary,
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1) 1984 Meeting

Major Hughes of the AirForce Academy is attempting to get the paperwork through to get an invitation for the section for the 1984 meeting. He will let Ballew know in November. If he cannot arrange for the 1984 meeting, we have an alternate site at Casper College. It was noted that Mesa College at Grand Junction is a possibility for 1985 or 1986.

2) Student Papers

Frank DeMeyer will arrange to have a small committee pick the three best papers. Rather than have a strict judging formula, he will pick three professionals and ask them to do their best. This will basically be a low-key operation without a lot of competition. It was noted that the award was rather small. Ballew will publicize this decision in the next issue of the Newsletter and unless there is a big objection, this is the way we will go. This will be noted at the next Business Meeting.

3) Future of Tri-State Mathematics Conference

Several members of the committee felt that this was an idea whose time had passed and it should be allowed to die. John Hodges noted that he had just come from the Colorado Council of Teachers of Mathematics Meeting and that there are people who are very interested in doing something. It was hoped that the MAA Meeting could be used as a vehicle to attract these people. It was decided to have the theme of the meeting be Microcomputers or Microcomputers in Mathematics. Since this is an item that is "hot" in all school systems, it may be just what we need to attract the two-year college people to our meetings.

4) 1983 Meeting

Ballew will handle the Call for Papers and all mailings, except the last one, which will occur just before the meeting. Frank DeMeyer will at that time send out preliminary copies of the program to the various Mathematics Departments in the Region. Those departments will then give copies to their own members.

The first issue of the Newsletter will go out within two weeks, another issue in January, a third in February, a fourth in March. Each of these will contain a Call for Papers and give a paper submission deadline of April 15. Professor DeMeyer did not believe that it was necessary to put the paper deadline up too early because this might inhibit some papers from being submitted.

Budgets

The last meeting of the section allows for the Committee to set the registration fee to be whatever is necessary. There was discussion about having a lower registration fee for those who pre-register. Four dollars for pre-registrations and five dollars for onsite registrations was decided. Ballew will publicize this and publicize the banquet and getting reservations in for the banquet early.

Theme of Program

The theme of the program will be Computers and Mathematics. Frank DeMeyer feels that he can get panel discussions and invited speakers on this fairly easily.

Parking Permits and Maps

Parking Permits and Maps will be sent by Frank DeMeyer to all those who pre-register. Those who do not pre-register will have to pick up parking permits when they register

National Speaker

The National Speaker will be contacted by George Donovan. It was recommended that he contact Lynn Steen of St. Olaf College in Minnesota. It is known that Lynn Steen has interests in areas close to the theme of the meeting.

Things to Do

Ballew will send application forms to Carl Kerns and Aubrey Owen.

Ballew will send copies of Newsletters to all of the school representatives as designated by John Hodges.

Frank DeMeyer will contact Ruth Hoffman of Denver University with respect to the MAWIS project to get the videotapes and information for display at the spring meeting.