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Dear Dr. Sleischer:

This letter is to commend Professor Ruth Rebekka Struik of the Mathematics Department of the University of Colorado. Professor Struik has completed her term as Chair of the Rocky Mountain Section of the Mathematical Association of America and we feel honored to have had her leadership.

The MAA is devoted to undergraduate and graduate mathematics and mathematics instruction at the university and college level. Our Section of the MAA consists of Colorado, Western South Dakota, Southern Montana and Wyoming. We have over 325 members. Prof. Struik's responsibilities have included the organization of the Annual Meeting, overseeing financial affairs and the general conduct of the Section.

I have served as Secretary of the Section for twelve years and have not served with a better Chair. This woman has worked hard and successfully to attract and schedule the finest mathematics speakers and innovative programs. The last two meetings with which she has been heavily involved have been the most successful in our history.

One measure of success is to leave something in better shape than you found it. This is certainly true in the case of Prof. Struik and our Section of the MAA. We are better organized, have a cleaner sense of direction and have enough ideas to carry us for three to five years. All of this is due to Rebekka's very positive leadership.

Again sir, I commend this remarkable person to you. You have reason to be proud because of her association with your university and mathematics department.

Most sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "David Ballew".

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cc: Ruth Rebekka Struik
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