

Rocky Mountain Section  
Mathematical Association of America  
Conference Call Minutes  
November 25, 1986

Present: Frieda Holley, Gil Orr, Bill Emerson, Gary Grefsrud, Charles Brase, Bernard Sharp

1. Spring Meeting

- a. The banquet has been arranged
  - b. There will be a department chairs luncheon meeting without agenda
  - c. There will be a meeting of MAA Representatives, Gil will coordinate an agenda. Bill will send a list of Representatives to Gil.
  - d. Vendor display: we will speak to salesmen about this.
  - e. Registration fee will be \$5.
  - f. The social hour will be held at a nearby restaurant with a cash bar
  - g. Modeling competition: The people involved have offered to send a representative and will support this up to \$250. Frieda will send details to Gil.
  - h. Frieda will try to contact Robin Wilson to give a talk.
  - i. The major speaker will be Gerald Alexanderson.
  - j. R. Struik would like a film. She should contact Gil Orr.
  - k. Gil and Charles will look into the possibility of inviting industry representatives. Lloyd Best was mentioned.
  - l. Students: Pizza Party, reduced fees, and rooms in dormitories were mentioned, but no action was taken on any item.
  - m. Bill will provide a breakdown of treasurer's registration fund.
  - n. Panel discussions: possible topics were Computers in Mathematics Education, Alternate Ways to Remediate(Develop), Assessment and General Education
2. Placement Test Program Representative. We don't have one. Bill will write letter back indicating so.
3. There will be a session at the National Meetings on Public Information. Gary will attend.
4. Election for a new Section Governor.

Frieda asked for suggestions for the nominating committee. Montana seems to not be heavily involved in section activities, but it was suggested that Wyoming and South Dakota be involved.

5. Short Course.  
The short course last summer made \$70. The short course for the coming summer will need a couple of hundred dollars for seed money. Bill will send the money after receiving a written request. The short course will be on discrete Models, with speaker Bill Lucas and will be held for one week in June.
6. Distinguished Service Award.  
The committee unanimously nominated David Ballew for this award.
7. Institutional Memberships.  
Charging schools for institutional memberships was discussed. A question was raised about what benefits would a school receive by an institutional membership. Because there was no real answer to this question the topic was dropped.
8. New meeting site. It was suggested that South Dakota schools be offered an opportunity to volunteer to host a meeting.