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Dear Ed and Carl:

Please consider the following as a contributed paper for the Spring Meeting of the Rocky Mountain Section of The Mathematical Association of America.

ABSTRACT

This paper will discuss a Training Program for graduate and undergraduate teaching assistants which is conducted annually in the Math and Computer Science Department at the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology. This program consists of five weeks of seminars on educational methods, and classroom conduct and techniques directed at students who have never had any training or course work in educational methods. The program stresses peer evaluation and constructive criticism. The program is probably transportable to other departments and campuses.

I would need ten or fifteen minutes and would use an overhead projector. Please let me know if there is more that you need from me to make a decision on this contribution.

I hope that everything is going OK. Did you ever hear from the people in the Intermountain Section? They were going to appoint some liason people to work with you. Let me know if you need anything.

Sincerely,

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