

GOVERNOR'S REPORT - GARY GREESRUD

During the past year the Board of Governors met August 2, 1986 in Berkeley, CA and January 20, 1987 in San Antonio TX. In addition to acting on numerous routine items of business, the Board took the following actions.

Approved having the 1987 summer meeting in Salt Lake City, UT, the 1990 winter meeting in Louisville, KY, and the 1988 summer meeting in Providence, RI in conjunction with the AMS centennial meeting. Future scheduled meetings are:

Aug. 5-8, 1987	Salt Lake City, UT
Jan. 6-9, 1988	Atlanta, GA
Aug. 8-12, 1988	Providence, RI
Jan. 11-14, 1989	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 24-27, 1990	Louisville, KY

Ratified the election of new members to the MAA. Membership has increased significantly since 1983 due to aggressive membership drives. There are now approximately 25,000 individual members of MAA. Make sure members of your department are informed of national and section activities and encourage them to become involved. Your departmental representative has membership information and application forms.

Approved Gail Young as the recipient of the 1986 Distinguished Service Award. The award was presented to Gail at the Business meeting on Jan. 23, 1987.

Defeated a motion from the Committee on the Mathematical Education of Teachers (COMET) to have the MAA endorse several recommendations contained in the report of the Holmes Group "Tomorrow's Teachers", dated April, 7, 1986 and/or the report of the Carnegie Forum on Education and the Economy "A Nation Prepared: Teachers for the 21st Century". There was concern that endorsement of the statements could be interpreted as an endorsement of the entire Holmes report, which is somewhat controversial. It was also felt that any MAA statements should be in relation to the mathematical preparation of prospective teachers.

At the August meeting, the Board of Governors instructed the Executive Committee to prepare a policy toward the divestment of investments in companies doing business in South Africa. At the meeting in San Antonio, the Board approved a divestment policy proposed in a majority report from the Executive Committee.

The Committee on the Participation of Women, was established. The Committee will work to increase the involvement of women in the affairs of MAA and to develop MAA activities that will encourage women in careers in the mathematical sciences. As the work of the Committee progresses, materials, suggestions, etc. will be disseminated to the sections.

The Board of Governors discussed budgeting at some length. While the MAA continues to have a surplus in all funds due to a continuing increase in its investment fund, there has been a deficit in the general (operating) fund in each of the last four years. Since a high priority of the finance Committee is to allow the investment fund to grow to a size closer to the annual operating budget (presently about \$2,300,000), the Board will be more involved in prioritizing budget items in the future in attempting to balance the general fund budget.

The TEAM (Teaching Experiential Applied Mathematics) project has been completed. The AIM (Applications in Mathematics-TEAM for high school students) project is underway. Information on these projects will be available at our section meeting this spring, or contact the section representatives - Bill Pamaley for TEAM, Don Pushnell for AIM. Addresses for both are: Mathematics Department, Fort Lewis College, Durango, CO 81301.

The establishment of student chapters of MAA will be further discussed by the Committee on Sections and brought up at the Board of Governors meeting this coming summer.

At a meeting of department heads (chairs) in San Antonio, the establishment of accreditation for mathematics departments was discussed. From responses to a survey on accreditation, there appears to be only a lukewarm response to establishing an accreditation program at the present time.

My term as governor of the section is over this spring. I have been honored to serve the section in this capacity.