

## NMMATYC Executive Board Minutes

April 22, 2006

Present: Ellen Schneider, Rockford Burris, Gordon DeSpain, Mary Ellen Gallegos, Robert Miller, Marlene Chavez-Toivanen, Joanne Peeples, René Sierra.

Call to Order: 11:05 AM by Ellen Schneider

**Minutes** for the February 4<sup>th</sup> board meeting were reviewed. Rockford Burris moved to accept the minutes as amended with minor corrections. **Motion passed**.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Mary Ellen Gallegos reports balances as follows:

LOCO Credit Union Share Savings: \$2,018.59 Charter Bank – Santa Fe \$2,027.96 Charter Bank – Santa Fe CD (Trust) \$10,000.00 Charter Bank – Santa Fe Savings \$1,365.23 Charter Bank – Santa Fe CD (new) \$3,048.81

Charter Bank CD (\$10,000) was renewed on 3/09/06 for 3 months @3.25%. This will mature on 6/09/06.

Charter Bank new CD (\$3048.81) was renewed on 4/05/06 for 3 months @3.25%. This will mature on 7/05/06.

AMATYC Delegate: Joanne Peeples had no report.

**Articulation:** Seth Abrahamson was absent but sent a report with Ellen. Seth attended the Articulation Task Force meeting on March 6 at Santa Fe Community College. The key results of this meeting were:

- 1. The Articulation Task Force is officially recognized by the Higher Education Department of NM and should continue to meet regularly. There is a link to the Articulation Task Force matrix and should soon be wording stating that its equivalencies should be upheld.
- 2. The Discipline Group is not to replace the Task Force. It will focus on courses in the general education common core while the Task Force will continue to look at all freshman and sophomore level math courses. The Discipline Group could be considered a subgroup of the Task Force. Most of the members of the Discipline Group are also members of the Task Force.
- 3. Adriana Aceves from UNM has agreed to replace Kitty Berver as the leader

of the Articulation Task Force. Kitty will still run this year's meeting.

4. Kitty is working to change the format of the Articulation Task Force matrix from a series of web pages to an online database.

**Membership**: Marlene Chavez-Toivanen reported we currently have 116 members total, including 108 regular, 2 non-voting and 6 lifetime memberships.

**Newsletter:** Ivette Chuca was not present. We would like to commend Seth Abrahamson for his excellent work printing and mailing the most recent newsletter. He did a very good job and kept our costs remarkably low.

Nominating: Mary Caffey was not present.

The David Lovelock Award has one application as of this date.

The Michelle Jimenez Scholarship has nine applications as of this date. They represent a variety of colleges around the area.

Gordon mentioned that Mary Caffey has agreed to stay on the next NMMATYC executive board in the same position.

**Conference:** René Sierra presented the new official flier promoting this year's conference. It is in color and is to be on the web site so that it can be downloaded for local distribution. René had questions regarding the use of P.O.'s to pay for registration. He has concerns about the process TVI uses to register and pay for their attendees. René felt he was not clear with some of the questions the TVI faculty had asked regarding the use of P.O.'s. Registration issues/questions were clarified regarding the paperwork trail for our internal process. A spreadsheet would be created for attendee's information.

There is to be a designation on the badges of attendees with less than 5 years teaching experience and for first time attendees to the conference.

There are currently 9 proposals for 1-hour sessions and 1 proposal for a 2-hour session. He only has 2 volunteers for presiders. There was a request for board members and Dona Ana faculty to help with this. There will be an email to extend the deadline to May 1 for proposals for the conference.

The conference committee consists of conference chair René Sierra, Shakir Manshad (DABCC), Amal Mostafa (NMSU), and Ellen Schneider (DABCC). There are also 5 volunteers from DABCC to help the committee.

The program cover is in color and will be paid for by the CEO of DABCC. Contents of the program were discussed. The schedule for the conference was presented. Joanne has a possible problem with the play. She is having difficulty getting all the participants together at this time of year. She does have a DVD video of the play for a back-up plan.

Joanne will notify Rene as soon as she determines if she will need video equipment.

This year's conference will be dedicated to Vicki Froehlich.

A flier about the workshops was presented. Ellen is concerned about attendance for the workshops. She would like board members to attend if possible and encourage others to also attend the workshops. Directions to East Mesa campus and the golf course were discussed. Donations for door prizes are being accepted and encouraged.

There are currently 5 exhibitor booths with the possibility of a couple more. Addison Wesley, Houghton Mifflin, Texas Instruments, Scientific Notebook, and Casio are the 5 already committed.

We do have federal and state tax ID numbers.

Break for lunch 12:05 pm.

Meeting called to order at 12:35 pm.

Marlene presented a draft for the Vicki Froehlich scholarship. There was a discussion on course requirements for the scholarship applications. Applicants with majors in elementary/middle school education could qualify with courses from Math for Teachers I, Math for Teachers II, Intermediate Algebra, Elementary Statistics, or higher-level math courses. Applicants with major in secondary education may use pre-calculus, calculus, statistics, college algebra, trigonometry, or higher courses. Change the GPA requirement to an overall GPA of 3.2, not just math courses GPA. All coursework must be completed before the application is made. Change the personal statement to why you want to be a math teacher and how receiving this award will help you achieve your goals. Change to 2 letters of reference including 1 from a math teacher. Award is \$300 with the possibility of \$300 in matching money from TVI. Will be awarded at the April 2007 conference.

Rene agreed to email Marlene the newest NMMATYC logo.

The board voted to unanimously support Beyond Crossroads.

Joanne is looking into the possibility of combining ACCESS with the MAA SectionNext program.

## **New Business:**

The Michelle Jimenez Memorial Scholarship requirements were discussed. Courses must be completed before the application deadline. In listing the courses required, trigonometry should be separate from pre-calculus. Any math course above calculus should be included. The question of whether or not to include College Algebra in the course listing was discussed. Agreed to get feedback from Betty Carpenter and others at

the business meeting regarding this.

The David Lovelock Award was discussed regarding the lack of applicants and the level of difficulty of the application process. Bill Pletsch from TVI addressed the board on this matter. He suggests that student reference is difficult and awkward to get and thus should be made optional. The board decided to remove the requirement for a student reference and student evaluations from the application process. One letter of reference from a colleague or supervisor is to be the only reference requirement, in addition to the other materials already required for applications. The winner will be required to submit additional information if he/she wants to apply for the AMATYC national award. Joanne motioned to accept changes. **Motion passed**.

At Bill's request, Ellen agreed to contact the national AMATYC regional vice-president to discuss this matter and the possibility of AMATYC changing their requirements as well.

The membership chair will keep an updated file of mailing addresses to be used for producing mailing labels and make it available to any board member who needs it.

The Annual Business Meeting will be Saturday morning, 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. on May 20, 2006. Robert will provide the minutes from the May 2005 meeting.

Rockford is to talk with Janet Delgado regarding ordering NMMATYC coffee mugs like the ones we had at last year's conference.

Ellen is to get more ribbons for presenters. There are currently enough ribbons for presiders and exhibitors.

The Banquet ceremony was discussed. Dona Ana's CEO will speak along with Mary Robinson. The Michelle Jimenez Scholarship will be presented for a total of \$1200 along with a framed certificate. Student Math League awards will be presented. Team standings are Albuquerque TVI in first place, NMSU Alamogordo is second place, and UNM Valencia in third. Individual standings are Karen Torczynski and Priya Agarwal tied for first place, David Hall won second place, and Caleb Demarco won third. All four winners were from TVI Albuquerque. Since there was a tie for first place, there will be two \$100 awards for first, a \$50 award for second, and a \$25 award for third, along with certificates for each. The team's schools get a plaque for first and certificates for second and third places.

Gabriel Mendoza will get a certificate for recognition of winning the Faculty Professional Development Award.

There will be 3 guest speakers at the conference, each receiving a \$100 honorarium.

René presented the possibility of using an electronic conference registration system next

year. Comments were generally about the cost of the service and the ease of registration payments for our attendees. Agreed to let next year's board consider the proposal.

AMATYC requests a donation for the hospitality room at the national conference this year. Rockford made a motion to donate \$25 to the hospitality room. **Motion passed**.

The next board meeting will be Thursday, May 18, 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. at the NMMATYC conference at the East Mesa campus of DABCC.

Meeting adjourned at 2:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Robert Miller, Secretary April 25, 2006