

**MATHWEST**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Thursday, January 10, 2008, Minutes**

**I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order on January 10, 2008, at 4:10 PM at Friendly's in West Springfield. Those in attendance were Tricia Lynn, Barbara Martowski, Louise Lataille, Scott Trahan, Pat Bertone-Gross, Marnie Henneman, Ellen Follett, and guest Cecelia Buckley. President Tricia Lynn called the meeting to order.

**II. Secretary's Report:** The minutes from November were presented by the acting Secretary, Tricia Lynn. The secretary's position is currently vacant.

*Moved to accept – Pat*

*Seconded – Scott*

**III. Treasurer's Report:** Scott Trahan has assumed the position of Treasurer since his term as Past President is over. A bill was never received from STCC. Stipends for the year 2007 were paid.

*Moved to accept – Tricia*

*Seconded – Marnie*

**IV. Membership Report:** The Membership Chair is currently vacant.

**V. Guest Speaker, Cecelia Buckley from HEC:** Cecelia Buckley spoke to our board about some of the initiatives that HEC is involved in. She also spoke to us about having a more collaborative relationship. MATHWEST will be posting HEC professional opportunities on its website and will be more actively involved in helping spread the word regarding HEC and its educational opportunities.

**VI. Mohegan Sun Trip:** We have enough people attending to break even! We still have plenty of seats available on Friday, January 18, 2008. We will leave the overflow parking lot adjacent to Pier One at 5 PM. The cost is \$25 per person. This includes the bus ride, a free buffet dinner, and two \$10 free bets.

**VII. AP Calculus Practice Test:** The AP Calculus Practice Test will be held on Saturday, March 29, 2008, at the First Baptist Church in Agawam. The cost will again be \$10 per student. We need volunteers to help, so please mark your calendars now. Set up with begin at 7:30 AM.

**VIII. Spring Membership Meeting:** The spring meeting will be held on Thursday, April 3, 2008. (Rain date will be Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup>. The weather hotline will be Scott's home phone number.) The workshop will be held in the Board Room at HEC in Northampton. A light dinner of sub sandwiches, chips, cookies, and sodas will be served. Tricia will be giving a talk on election-based, mathematics lesson plans that can be used for all levels of students. Handouts will be provided for each level: elementary, middle, and high.

**IX. Math Poster Contest:** Louise and Tricia will be collaborating on the contest this year. The deadline for posters will be Friday, April 18, 2008. Our theme will be "Math Rocks." Letters will be mailed before the February vacation. Prizes for students will be awards, as well as an award (a set of A+ Compass white board tools) for the winning teacher.

**X. New Business:**

- There will be a work day at Scott's house from 3 to 6 PM on January 31<sup>st</sup>. Please plan on attending as we have many mailings that need to be completed.
- The officer's list was updated. The website will be updated soon. Positions for the year 2008 are as follows:
  - President – Tricia Lynn
  - President Elect – Louise Lataille
  - Treasurer – Scott Trahan
  - Secretary – Vacant
  - Membership Chair – Vacant
  - NCTM Rep – Pat Bertone-Gross

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- We will hold an online raffle of an A+ Compass white board teacher set for all members who update their membership information online. This will help us have an active list of email addresses.
- Nancy Schick has left TI and is now working for a software company. We will look forward to seeing Nancy in her new role soon!
- In an effort to recruit new board members, we will be offering a small stipend to get new board members.
- The spring conference for 2009 will be held at the Springfield Sheraton on Tuesday, April 7, 2009. Mark your calendars now!! There will be 24 sessions in a 6 by 4 schedule. There will be no Teacher of the Year until this conference.

**XI. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 PM.

*Moved to accept – Marnie*

*Seconded – Barb*