

MATHWEST
Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, March 8, 2007
Minutes

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order on March 8, 2007, at 4:07 PM at Friendly's in West Springfield. Those in attendance were Tricia Lynn, Barbara Martowski, Louise Lataille, Marnie Henneman, Patricia Bertone-Gross, and Andrew Perry. President Tricia Lynn called the meeting to order.

II. Secretary's Report: The minutes from January were presented.

Moved to accept – Louise

Seconded – Pat

III. Treasurer's Report: Tricia gave a report of our current financial expenses. We currently have \$1,237.24 in our account, but we still have the conference to consider. Also, we have not paid the board stipends for the 2006 year. These will be paid after the conference has finished.

Moved to accept – Louise

Seconded – Pat

IV. Membership Report: The NCTM membership drive letter that was sent out has given us 10 to 15 new members, which covered the cost of the mailings with a little left over. These new members have been sent conference fliers in the hopes that they will attend.

V. Conference Chair Report: Tricia discussed the spring conference details. Scott sent a tentative budget. In this budget, we are \$1,200 in the red. This was after the iced tea was removed from the luncheon. This saved us an additional \$300. However, there were 6 more regular priced attendees that have registered since this budget. Therefore, we are only \$500 in the red. Please spread the word about the conference so that we can get a few more registrants.

Scott was able to update the email database by sending out a mass email about the conference.

Board members are encouraged to bring items to donate to the raffle at the conference. Please bring these items to Scott's house on one of our two conference work sessions. They are to be held on Thursday, March 22, and Thursday, March 29 from 2 PM until 7 PM. Please come whenever you are available. We still need to stuff tote bags and get the speaker's gifts and thank you cards ready.

VI. Teacher of the Year Award: There were five nominees covering all three categories. All of the nominated teachers were excellent candidates and there was much discussion regarding their merits. Since the wording on the award states that all three categories will be awarded, the board agreed to vote on a winner in each category. Each winner will receive a plaque and will be invited to the luncheon.

K – 6: Janice DeFilipi, **7 – 12:** Carol J. V. Fisher, **Retired:** Mary Ann Moroni

VII. Mathematics Month Poster Contest: Letters were sent out to all the schools regarding the contest. Additional fliers were given to the board members to bring back to their schools. MathTech Consulting will be donating the graphing calculator.

VIII. AP Calculus Practice Test: The AP Calculus Practice Test will be Saturday, March 31, 2007 at First Baptist Church in Agawam. MATHWEST Board members are encouraged to arrive between 9:00 and 9:15 AM. We will need to volunteer to help with all aspects of the testing. Currently, there are 110 students registered to take this practice exam.

IX. Mary Alice Wilson Grant: There was one applicant for this grant. However, the application was not received until after the February 15th deadline. Therefore, this applicant will receive an email asking them to reapply for the October 15th deadline. The board did look at the proposal and agreed that this venture would be a worthwhile opportunity and look forward to seeing the updated proposal again in the fall.

X. New Business: Our NCTM status is now in good standing.

XI. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 PM.

Moved to accept – Marnie

Seconded – Barb