

**MATHWEST
Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, May 10, 2007
Minutes**

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order on April 10, 2007, at 4:24 PM at Scott Trahan's home. Those in attendance were Tricia Lynn, Barbara Martowski, Louise Lataille, Marnie Henneman, Patricia Bertone-Gross, Scott Trahan, and Ellen Follett. President Tricia Lynn called the meeting to order.

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

Moved to accept – Marnie

Seconded – Pat

III. Treasurer's Report: Cindy Tuthill has resigned from the Board of Directors effective April 5, 2007. This position is currently vacant. Acting Treasurer, Scott Trahan gave a report of our current financial expenses. All conference expenses have been paid. We currently have enough in the bank account to run for the next two years. Stipends from 2006 will be paid today.

Moved to accept – Pat

Seconded – Marnie

IV. Membership Report: Andy's hard drive crashed and we lost our most recently updated membership list. This list was reconstructed from paper documents by a hired helper. Membership cards for all the new members from the conference need to go in the mail. Cecelia wants to have hired help to do the membership cards.

V. Conference Chair Report: Scott gave an in-depth report on the finances of the conference. We were under budget on the A/V equipment. The bulk of the expenses came from postage and paper.

Tricia gave a report on all the feedback from the conference. The topic most commonly commented on was the last minute cancellations of scheduled speakers. The vast majority of comments were positive and we had three volunteers for future speakers.

All the board members are encouraged to write down their ideas for the next large scale conference we have and bring these ideas to the September board meeting.

VI. Mathematics Month Poster Contest: There was limited response to the poster contest this year (3 high schools, 4 junior high/middle schools, and 4 elementary schools). Winners will be posted on the website along with pictures of their posters. Next year's contest will be revamped and the deadline will correspond with the spring general membership meeting.

Winners in 9 - 12 Division				
1 st	Eric R.	Grade 10	Cathedral HS	Mr. Kristian House
2 nd	Elizabeth G.	Grade 9	Agawam HS	Mr. Scott Trahan
3 rd	Chelsea T.	Grade 11	Cathedral HS	Mr. Jesse Nickerson
Winners in Grades 5 – 8 Division				
1 st	Cesar R.	Grade 5	Washington School	Ms. Madelyn Gates
2 nd	Karmen D.	Grade 8	Lady of Mount Carmel	
3 rd	Audrey R.	Grade 5	Clark School for the Deaf	Ms. Nancy Martin
Winners in K – 4 Division				
1 st	Jonathan M.	Grade 3	Washington School	Ms. Madelyn Gates
2 nd	Ayana M.	Grade 3	Washington School	Ms. Madelyn Gates
3 rd	Anna L.	Grade 4	Crosby Elementary	Ms. Jeanne Marlos

VII. AP Calculus Practice Test: The AP Calculus Practice Test was a great success. There was one added expense of hiring someone to help clean up after the event which cost \$30.

VIII. TI Workshop on Nspire: On Wednesday, June 13, 2007, there will be a TI Workshop at Agawam High School to introduce teachers to the new TI Inspire series. It will start at 3:00 PM and end at 6:00 PM. Please email Scott Trahan if you are interested in attending.

IX. Fall Membership Meeting: This year's fall membership meeting will be held at STCC in conjunction with their engineering program. Scott has been setting up the details with the personnel at STCC. Tentatively, the program will be from 3:30 to 6:00 PM at STCC on Thursday, October 18, 2007. STCC will have hands-on activities for teachers with laser-electric optics and electronics technology.

X. January 2008 Casino Trip: Next year's Mohegan Sun trip will be on Friday, January 18, 2008. Mark your calendars and plan to attend!! Tricia will be planning this year's event.

XI. Spring Meeting 2008: Board members brainstormed ideas for our spring meeting. The board has decided that this meeting should be a field trip for teachers to somewhere that they could later bring their students (e.g. The Basketball Hall of Fame, The Quadrangle, The Lego Factory, or Milton Bradley). They were interested in places that would have very active educational departments and could be tied to all levels K – 12. Teachers are also interested in grant opportunities through these possible locations and places that would be willing to give future student field trips discounts for their facilities or on their products for use in the classroom. Tricia will send out an email to these businesses and see what kind of response is received.

XII. New Business: A tentative calendar has been set for the next academic year.

Day	Date	Event
Thursday	September 13, 2007	Board Meeting
Thursday	October 18, 2007	General Membership Meeting
Thursday	November 8, 2007	Board Meeting
Thursday	January 10, 2008	Board Meeting
Friday	January 18, 2008	Mohegan Sun Trip
Thursday	March 13, 2008	Board Meeting
Thursday	April ??, 2008	General Membership Meeting
Thursday	May 8, 2008	Board Meeting

XIII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 PM.

Moved to accept – Marnie

Seconded – Louise