

Florida Two-Year College Mathematics Association  
Business Meeting  
Florida Gulf Coast University  
February 13, 2009

Don Ransford, president, opened the spring business by stating that Donna Saye, Southeast Regional vice-president would be unable to attend our meeting. However she encouraged the attendees to this meeting to include membership in AMATYC as part of their professional development. The first issue of the new journal will soon be available. There are 3 summer institutes being held this summer as well as an AMATYC-ASA webinar on statistics on February 26. A volunteer is needed to be the events coordinator for the AMATYC conference being held in Jacksonville in 2012.

One correction was made to the 2008 minutes:

Mike Mears discussed the Mu Alpha Theta math competition that his college had planned for the fall.

An amendment was also made to correct the changed dates for today's meeting.

Michael Jamieson, treasurer, announced that we now have \$2470.55 in our account. His report was accepted.

Rick Pal checked that all schools have received the newsletter. He stated that he tries to maintain a contact list with the names of deans and administrators. In a future issue he plans to have an article on the history of FTYCMA. It was discussed that the newsletter could be used as a resource for those who might want to publish. This would make it even more useful for the membership.

Altay Ozgener, webmaster, announced that he might add a tracker to the website. Don reminded us that we have PayPal on the website. So far there has not been much use of the discussion group there.

The upcoming Math Olympics was discussed. It was moved and passed that we contribute our usual \$500 in support of this event.

A report of Math in the Sun VI, which was held last fall, was given. This session reviewed college algebra, precalculus, business or survey calculus and statistics. Please check the website for information concerning those discussions.

The next Math in the Sun Retreat will be a one-day retreat, October 3, at Polk Community College. Polk CC has already planned to sponsor a travelling workshop from AMATYC. We would like to have our full attendance involved so we will support an addition facilitator if needed. The topic would be "Beyond Crossroads." It was requested that skeletal plans be prepared in time for those who need to request approval for travel.

This is the year for the Outstanding Service Award, which is awarded in odd-numbered years. It was presented to Janette Campbell of Palm Beach Community College, the FTYCMA secretary.

Ryan Kasha reported on our lifetime membership program. We have no new ones since last fall but several previous lifetime members have not received their certificates and pins. He presented those at this time.

Scott Hochswald reported on the upcoming March 28 Math Olympics. It will begin at 9am with the multiple choice exam (no calculator). It will be followed by a calculator exam and then the afternoon team competition, where the teams are to solve 10 problems without calculators. First place will be awarded \$50, second place \$30, and third \$20. There will be plaques and trophies. Usually about 10 schools are involved, with 12-20 teams. Eligibility requirements are that students only have had the basic mathematics courses offered at the first two years.

An executive board committee is looking at updating the by-laws and the constitution. They are investigating the possibility of a name change because of the movement of the two-year colleges toward offering bachelor's degrees. It was suggested that the name truly reflect the unique mission and the population served. This would also need to be discussed with our parent organization AMATYC.

Continuing discussion is being made with AMATYC with regards to setting up a student scholarship program. It would be helpful if tax-deductible contributions could be made to FTYCMA in order to support this.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Janette Campbell, secretary