

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

Attendees: Janette Campbell, Byron Dyce, Bill Hemme, Mike Jamieson, Nancy Johnson, Ryan Kasha, Altay Ozgener, Rick Pal, Don Ransford, Dennis Runde

Don Ransford, president, led the meeting.

The minutes from the October, 2008, meeting were approved with a few minor grammar corrections.

Mike Jamieson distributed a treasurer's report. Before the fall retreat there was a balance of \$1495. It is currently \$2470.

Don proposed that next fall's retreat be held the first weekend in October. Polk Community College has offered to host the meeting in conjunction with an AMATYC Travelling Workshop. We need to decide if we want to accept this offer. Several questions arose as to whether the enrollment of 30 participants in a workshop would be a problem and if we want a one-day retreat rather than the 2 we have had in the past. It was remarked that most of the comments from last year's retreat concerning the report on the "The Right Stuff" (college algebra) workshop were positive. It was finally agreed that we would work with Polk Community College to offer a one-day workshop and help with the cost if a second facilitator is needed. It will be held the first Saturday in October and the focus would be on "Beyond Crossroads".

Discussion followed on whether we would need time at the retreat to discuss the continuation of MAT 1033. Some institutions would like to eliminate this course. There are problems with credentialing faculty as well as placement of students. There is a lot of repetition in content so perhaps it could be reorganized. Also the interface of this material with high schools and our prerequisite courses need to be examined. It was suggested that perhaps having a retreat session to begin this discussion.

Don presented a suggested draft of a revised constitution. The very first item involved the possibility of a name change, either to conform with the name of the national organization or to better reflect changes that are occurring as two-year

colleges transition to four-year institutions. (All changes listed in these minutes are in addition to those already in the suggested draft.) In Article 5, the following change was suggested (changes are *italized* and **bolded**):

In the event that an officer other than the President leaves office before the expiration of the regular term, the **President** shall appoint a replacement **with the approval of the Executive Board** for the remainder of the term.

An additional sentence was placed at the end of Article 6:
The membership shall be notified at least three months prior to any changes to the date of this meeting.

In the By-Laws, Article 1, **July 1** was the agreed date for the start of the membership year.

In the recommended additional paragraph regarding Lifetime Membership, the last sentence is to be deleted as being a too restrictive statement for a long-enduring (we hope) set of by-laws.

Finally it was agreed that neither the constitution nor the by-laws are the appropriate places for information regarding our annual awards.

The executive board meeting was adjourned for the annual membership meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Janette Campbell, secretary