

FLORIDA TWO YEAR COLLEGE MATHEMATICS ASSOCIATION
Executive Board Meeting
February 17, 2012

Attending: Janette Campbell, Annette Cook, Keven Docter, Jerrett Dumouchel, Byron Dyce, Debbie Garrison, Steve Grosteffon, Bill Hemme, Nancy Johnson, Ryan Kasha, Penny Morris, Altay Özgener, Rick Pal, Don Ransford

Rick Pal, President, introduced himself and called the meeting to order. He asked Penny Morris, President-elect, to greet the group; she introduced Keven Dockter, AMATYC Conference Coordinator, and Annette Cook, Southeast Regional Vice-President. Annette greeted us, offered her services, and presented each of us with AMATYC tote bags and red lanyards.

Rick then announced the newly nominated slate of officers - Mike Keller (St. Johns River State College), Treasurer; Nancy Johnson (State College of Florida), Secretary; Sandra Seifert (Edison State College), Membership Committee; Ryan Kasha (Valencia College), President-Elect.

Rick stated that the spring newsletter would soon be available. He reminded us that we have two issues each year with a possibility of an additional one in the summer. The spring issue should focus on the AMATYC conference in Jacksonville.

Mike Mears has requested that a new historian be chosen and Rick expressed interest in this. He has plans to write a book on the history of FTYCMA in preparation for our 50th anniversary similar to the one on the history of AMATYC. If he takes on this project, it would be necessary to choose a new newsletter editor. Ryan Kasha was mentioned as a possibility for this position.

Annette Cook summarized Alabama's experience with rebuilding their professional organization.

There was a discussion regarding our use of social media. Bill Hemme suggested a blog format and the possibility of developing a twitter account. Rick reminded us of our Facebook site.

The discussion then returned to the topic of a historian. Keven Dockter announced that AMATYC has just appointed a new historian in preparation for its 40th anniversary in 2014. Don Ransford mentioned that the FTYCMA historian is not an elected officer but one that is appointed.

Altay Özgener updated us on his work on the website. He has begun putting the old newsletters on-line.

Don announced that the new version of our Constitution and By-Laws has now been posted on our website.

Keven Dockter spent some time discussing the planning process for the AMATYC conference being held in Jacksonville November 8-11. He has met with the Hyatt Regency Riverfront Hotel staff. Even though there has been a complete turnover in the staff, they are well-prepared for the conference. The hotel is on the St. John's River with half of the rooms overlooking the river and it is adjacent to the Jacksonville Landing. All rooms will have free wireless.

Jerrett Dumouchel announced that the Saturday morning breakfast favors are ready and the focus is now on the hospitality room (area). This is the area where FTYCMA can help. He asked for help in securing donations from businesses. There is a need for games, door prizes, and money for food for the hospitality area. This food must be provided by the hotel but outside food donors could go through the donation process from businesses. All affiliates' donations will be recognized in the hospitality room. Even though Jerrett himself will be contacting the presidents of the various Florida colleges, he requested that we also contact them individually. It is possible that they could be offered a free registration but they certainly could be invited to the regional luncheon. At least \$3000 is needed for the hospitality room of which \$1200 is provided by AMATYC. Volunteers are also needed to staff the area. Help is needed in preparing the tables and taking up the tickets at the Saturday breakfast as well as preparing the registration bags. The bags will be filled on Tuesday afternoon at 3:00. Those who can be available to help should contact Jerrett at jdumouch@fscj.edu It was suggested that GMATYC be contacted to also help with the various duties.

Don Ransford asked if there would be shirts for FTYCMA. However financial support would be needed to make this possible. Rick suggested that a Florida map which notes the locations of all the state colleges be placed on the tables at the regional breakfast. A suggestion was made that there be a game night in the hospitality area on Wednesday night.

There will be a free statistics workshop on Wednesday, possibly all day, for which registration will be limited.

Keven announced that he will need help welcoming registrants on Wednesday night and Thursday morning.

We were reminded that our delegates to the delegate assembly are to be chosen by the new FTYCMA president. A suggestion was made that the current FTYCMA teaching excellence awardee be nominated for the national teaching award. Next year's FTYCMA award is the service award. Suggestions should be forwarded to Penny Morris.

The location and date for the spring executive meeting was discussed. Generally the place is chosen by the president. Penny asked if we would like to meet at St. Pete College – Downtown campus since the fall retreat will be held there. Everyone agreed with that suggestion and May 18 was determined to be the date.

Next year's joint meeting is to be at the University of Tampa either February 8-9 or 22-23. Our fall retreat is to be in October but the actual date is to be determined after researching dates for other conferences.

Ryan Kasha announced that we have received 11 new lifetime members since our fall retreat. He also was very grateful for the scholarship award to attend AMATYC.

Rick thanked Penny for hosting the fall retreat and congratulated her for accepting the leadership of our organization. He also thanked Bill Hemme in advance for his word in hosting next fall's retreat. He reminded us that we need to consider who should be the nominee to receive the scholarship to attend the next AMATYC conference.

The meeting was adjourned for lunch and our annual membership meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Janette Campbell, Secretary