

Iowa Council of Teachers of Mathematics
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Valley Southwoods Freshman High School, February 15, 2008

I. President's Report:

A. Welcome & Introductions: Cheryl Ross, President, called the meeting to order at 3:30.

1) Cheri expressed appreciation that Tom Muchlinski, NCTM Affiliate Services Committee Central 2 Region Liaison, was able to attend the conference.

2) Members leaving the Executive Board were recognized by Cheri:

- a. Kathy Wilkerson - AEA 267 Regional Director
- b. Annette Louk - AEA 8 Regional Director
- c. Michael Marcketti - AEA 11 Regional Director
- d. Rose Jennings - Great Prairie AEA Regional Director

3) Newly elected members of the Executive Board were introduced by Cheri:

- a. Diane Royer - Vice-President Middle School (re-elected)
- b. Catherine Miller - Vice-President Post Secondary (re-elected)
- c. Vicki Oleson - AEA 267 Regional Director
- d. Linda Seeger - AEA 8 Regional Director
- e. Marlene Meyer - AEA 10 Regional Director (re-elected)
- f. Marcia Carlson - AEA 11 Regional Director
- g. Lynn Selking - Great Prairie AEA Regional Director

Board members present were Cheryl Ross, President; Dave Blum, Conference Chair; Deb Tvrdik, Pre-Conference Chair; Michael Marcketti, AEA 11 Director; Ed Rathmell, Governmental Relations Representative; Judy Slezak, President Elect; Judith Spitzli, Department of Education; Joyce Becker, NCTM Representative; Lori Mueller, Journal Editor; Connie Nolan, Northwest AEA Director; Brooke Fischels, Program Co-Chair; Rose Jennings, Great Prairie AEA Director; Diane Royer, Vice President Middle School; Travis Nuss, Exhibitor Chair; Rachel Kruse, Vice President Secondary; Jane Haugen, Vice President Elementary; Ed Berry, AEA 1 Director; David Burrow, Newsletter/Website Editor; Ruth Avazian, AEA 14 Director and Program Co-Chair; Laura Brincks, Treasurer; Marlene Meyer, AEA 10 Director; Maureen Busta, Executive Secretary;

Members unable to attend were: Tom Muchlinski, NCTM Affiliate Services Representative; Nancy File, AEA 13 Director; Albert Hayton, AEA 9 Director; Callie Kronlage, Student Director; Annette Louk, AEA 8 Director; Catherine Miller, Vice President Post-Secondary; Kathy Wilkerson, AEA 267 Director.

Guests: Lynn Selking, Great Prairie Director, 2008-2010; Marcia Carlson, AEA 11 Director, 2008-2010; Vicki Oleson, AEA 267 Director, 2008-2010; Linda Seeger, AEA 8 Director, 2008-2010.

- B) Motion (Becker, Rathmell) to destroy ballots. Yes: 21 No: 0 Motion passed
- C) Motion (Rathmell, Kruse) to approve the following Appointments (continuing positions):
 - Laura Brincks - Treasurer
 - Edward Rathmell - Governmental Liaison
 - David Burrow - Newsletter Editor/Webmaster
 - Judith Spitzli - Department of Education
 - Lori Mueller & Diane Royer - Journal Co-Editors
 - David Blum - Conference Chair
 - Travis Nuss - Conference Exhibits Chair
 - Ruth Avazian & Brooke Fischels - Conference Program Co-chairs
 - Callie Kronlage - Student Director

Yes: 21 No: 0 Motion passed

D) Dates for the retreat and other upcoming meetings were discussed.

a) NCTM Annual Meeting - April 9-12, Salt Lake City
Joyce Becker, NCTM Rep and Judy Slezak, ICTM President, will attend this meeting.

b) ICTM Board retreat - Judy Slezak asked the board which dates would work best for the June Board meeting, 12:00 on Fri. until noon on Sat. June 13-14 or June 20-21st. It appeared that more board members favored June 13th - June 14th. The place for the board meeting was discussed and Judy suggested Meskwaki Hotel & Casino. She wanted to make sure that it would be okay with the board. There were no objections indicated. She will let the board know when the plans are confirmed.

c) Affiliate Leaders Conference - Seattle (June 27 - 29) or Philadelphia (August 15 - 17)

- Motion (Blum, Jennings) to send two people to one of the sites.

Yes: 21 No: 0 Motion passed

Anyone who is interested in going needs to let Cheri know.

d) ICTM Annual Conference – Friday, February 20, 2009
West Des Moines Valley Southwoods Freshman High School

II. Reports

A) Secretary: Maureen Busta presented the minutes.

- Motion to approve minutes (Avazian, Haugen)

Yes: 21 No: 0 Motion passed

(Contact information for the board was provided to each board member.)

B) Treasurer: Laura Brincks asked all members to fill out their reimbursement forms.

The budget report was provided to all board members.

June 1, 2007 – January 31, 2008

Balance Forward	\$ 39858.02
Income	\$ 9506.72
Expenditures	\$ 18318.28
New Balance	\$ 31046.46
Current Checking	\$ 1405.96
Current Savings	\$ 13988.32
Current CDs	\$ 15652.18
Total	\$ 31046.46

C) Membership: Maureen Busta provided the following membership report. There are 660 names in the database. A list of members was given to each AEA Director, President, President-Elect, and Vice Presidents. They were asked to review those members whose memberships expire in 2007, and try to contact those members. They will be deleted from the database.

	Regular	Student	Instit.	Retired	Ret. Free	Free Promo	Reg-\$38	Reg-\$50	Total per month	# of renewals
Jul-06	10							1	250	11
Aug-06	22	2	0	8		1	2	7	916	42
Sept. 2006	33	3	1	4	1	6	2	12	1406	62
Oct. 2006	30	8	19			3	2	9	1831	71
Nov. 2006	35	1	4	4			3	7	1329	54
Dec. 2006	25	4	7	1			4	12	1522	53
Jan. 2007	41	33	21				2	11	2346	108
Feb. 2007	13	1	2	1	0	0	3	5	704	25
Mar. 2007	8	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	336	12
Apr. 2007	9	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	350	13
May-07	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	205	8

Jun-07	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	338	10
Total	236	52	56	19	1	10	21	74	9600	469
	0.50	0.11	0.12	0.04	0.00	0.02	0.04	0.16		

	Regular	Student	Instit.	Retired	Ret. Free	Free Promo	Reg-\$38	Reg-\$50	Total per month	# of renewals
Jul-07	7	1		2			4	7	657	21
Aug-07	7	1		1					150	9
Sep-07	18	3	2	2			2	3	681	30
Oct-07	22		1	2			1	2	623	28
Nov-07	19	13					2	5	771	39
Dec-07	26	1					1		563	28
Jan-08	88	11	3				2	5	2246	109
Feb-08									0	0
Mar-08									0	0
Apr-08									0	0
May-08									0	0
Jun-08									0	0
Total	187	30	6	7	0	0	12	22	5691	264
	0.71	0.11	0.02	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.05	0.08		

D) NCTM: Tom Muchlinski, the Affiliate Services Committee Central 2 Region Liaison, was not able to stay for the board meeting.

E) Conference: Dave Blum, Conference Chair, thought the conference went very well. He thanked the team for all their work.

Ruth Avazian and Brooke Fischels reported on the program. Brooke would like to see a reminder on the form for the speakers to get their forms in earlier and highlighting the due date for proposals. The speakers trickled in much later, but felt that it turned out ok. Ruth would like more help in securing names of speakers. She asked math consultants from across the state. She would like all regional directors to turn in names for recommended speakers at the June retreat. Some concern was expressed about speakers being opposite the keynote. Ruth would like to include something on the speaker form asking prospective speakers if they would be willing to speak opposite the keynote. We need to know if keynote is going to be general or grade specific.

Travis Nuss, Exhibitor Chair, reported that there were 46 tables this year compared to 48 tables last year. The Exhibitors would like more time for participants to look at exhibits.

Cheri thanked everyone who was involved in helping with the conference.

F) Publications:

Journal: Lori Mueller and Diane Royer Journal Co-Editors asked board members to identify excellent sessions that they attended that might work well for journal articles. Be sure to copy both Lori and Diane on the information. Lori reported that there were 3 articles already, which she thought was very good.

Newsletter/Webmaster: David Burrow, Newsletter/Webmaster Editor reminded members that the next newsletter will be in April, with an Easter deadline. New board members were encouraged to send an article to David for the newsletter.

G) Outreach: Cathy Miller, Outreach Chair, could not attend. Cheri is pleased with the grant committee and believes the grants are a great asset.

H) Department of Education: Judith Spitzli, Department of Education, reported on several initiatives.

1) Presidential Awards for Elementary are on-line at paemst.org. The deadline is March 1st. Deadline for application is May 1st. The State decides the finalists. There is a strong emphasis on the video.

2) Every Student Counts is going strong and all AEA Math Consultants have information if anyone is interested.

3) Cognitively Guided Instruction will not be offered as 1st year training this year, but 2nd and 3rd year trainers. Within AEA's trainers should be available.

4) 9-12 Core Curriculum – not mandated but governor would like all schools to be engaged by 2010. The Department of Education will be mandated to provide training for Core Curriculum. Everything the Department of Education will do next year will use 9-12 Curriculum. Maureen Busta is Co-Chair of K-8 Core Curriculum. Their work has been reported to the Lead Team, the final draft will go to the Lead Team, and then State Board.

5) Career Technology Education is a community college initiative which highlights the mathematics used in courses such as Carpentry.

I. Governmental Liaison: Edward Rathmell shared information about the Math Science Initiative at UNI and will have a longer report in June.

J. NCTM Representative: Joyce Becker will be attending the delegate assembly in Salt Lake City. Connie Nolan distributed fliers for the NCTM Conference in Reno, Nevada.

K. IMSC: Judy Slezak reported that she had attended the Iowa Math and Science meeting. A report was given on the Regent's Math/Science Initiative, NASA explorer schools and others. The mission statement was re-visited and revised. There was a High School Student Summit at UNI. Another meeting will be in April.

L. Regional Directors/Student Director: No reports at this time.

III. New Business

1) Iowa Professional Development Day (ICTM Sponsorship?)

Cheri lead a discussion of an e-mail from Nancy Peterson, Iowa Council of Social Studies President: (Information from the e-mail is copied below.)

"We would like to propose a bill, that my local Representative Lisa Heddens, would introduce that would create a state professional develop day. The professional develop dollars that the state has made available could be used by the schools to send their teachers to the conferences by the many volunteers across the state. Math, Art, Languages teachers etc host (some poorly attended) every year, they would just be scheduled on the same day. hosted conferences"

My goal with this initial contact is to see who is interested in working with us to put this bill together. Please contact me if you would like to help.

*Nancy Peterson
ICSS President"*

Cheri wanted to know whether the Board was in favor of this initiative or not. Cheri would like her school to get better math development. Ed Rathmell believes that school administrators are missing the point. The administrators are saying that a one day conference does not fit with the Iowa Professional Model. The purpose of a conference is to find out about new ideas and expand on later. Some (Fischels) would like to support it while others see it as a monumental task (Jennings). Ed Berry indicated that teachers did not want to come to the conference because they are out of the schools too much so a one day professional day would work well. Cheri was concerned that maybe we can't speak for the ICTM Membership and that something should be in the newsletter to seek input from the membership.

Results of the discussion:

- 1) Motion (Blum, Rathmell) to support ways to increase participation in state conferences that teachers can count as professional development.
Yes: 21 No: 0 Motion passed
- 2) Cheri will write an article for the newsletter that solicits feedback from the membership on how they feel about the 1 day professional development day for all disciplines. She will draft the article and will e-mail the board for input.

2) Cheri asked everyone to think about volunteering for the Nomination Committee for the ballot, Nov. 2008. She asked for everyone to bring names to the June Board meeting for the following positions: AEA 1, Northwest AEA, AEA 9, AEA 13, AEA 14, Vice-President – Elementary and Vice-President – Secondary.

3) The Board decided to provide free registrations to the conference next year to those who indicated that they were not able to attend this year due to weather or illness.

Cheri passed the gavel to Judy. Cheri expressed how much she has enjoyed her work and is pleased that she is not leaving the board. Cheri thanked the board for the opportunity to serve.

Meeting adjourned. 5:00 pm
Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Busta
Executive Secretary