

SOCAMATYC EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
MIDLANDS TECHNICAL COLLEGE-Airport Campus
July 17, 2015

Call to order at 12:35pm.

Members Present:

Frank Monterisi (TTC)-President, Hala Nestburg (GTC)-Vice President, Dr. Kim Neal (PTC)-Treasurer, Pam Monterisi (STC-Retired)- Previous Secretary, Tracy McCoy (MTC)-Secretary

I. Membership

- 47 current members; Kim and Frank will be rechecking this number.
- Frank has organized a State Directory of all Math Faculty for the Technical Colleges in SC and the Member list for SOCAMATYC; he will send to Executive Board.

II. Online Payment

- Frank would like to move to paying for membership through Paypal, Google Pay, or some such online software or program. Kim agreed to look into this.
- We will continue to offer payment by mail and on-site options.

III. AMATYC Conference –Next conference in New Orleans November 2016

1. Presidential Student Scholarship

- We would like to nominate a student from one of our colleges to be entered in this drawing at AMATYC.
- AMATYC Requirements: GPA 3.0, student majoring in mathematics (per AMATYC) but we think a major of AS will suffice, enrolled full-time at SC Technical College, and attending in the Spring semester.
- Discussion of finding potential candidates: look for students who are in honor societies, and ask advisors for nominations.
- To encourage more student participation we discussed requiring our nominee to present at a future conference.
- Deadline for student nominations-October 15;
- This committee will meet online at the beginning of October to pick a nominee to submit to AMATYC.
- Hala and Tracy will work on a draft to submit to faculty at our college.

2. Faculty Scholarship to attend AMATYC-registration approximately \$350

- Paid for by SOCAMATYC
- Ideas for requirements discussed.
 - Person presents at our conference
 - Member of SOCAMATYC
- Kim and Frank will discuss requirements to formulate a list.
- NOTE: AMATYC does pay for one member of SOCAMATYC to attend AMATYC.

3. Project ACCESS (Advancing Community College Careers: Education, Scholarship, and Service)

- We would like to promote this in our Technical Colleges.
- Fellows are in their first three years of teaching full-time at a two year college. They will need a letter of support from their school since they will need money to attend conferences.
- Would like to see some from SC participate as a Fellow for Denver in 2016 and San Diego in 2017.

IV. SOCAMATYC Conferences

1. Spring 2016-Spartanburg Community College(tentative)
 - Theme: Professional development workshops-a variety of topics
 - Pam will speak to her contact at SCC to confirm.
 - MTC will be a back-up.

2. Spring 2017
 - Frank has the idea to have a joint conference with GMATYC and will contact the affiliate.
 - Whether they would like to participate or not, we will plan on having our conference at Piedmont or Tri-County Technical College.

V. 101/102 Competencies

- Results of research were presented to Department Chairs in Charleston.
- Executive Board has found it difficult to find persons, who have the power to change these, interested in changing the standards.
- Discussion occurred on what direction to go in to improve our state standards for MAT 101 and 102. No consensus was reached at this meeting on the particular direction. However, the following were highlighted as areas for needed improvement:
 - Students need to learn more analytic reasoning.
 - Students need to gain the tools for next course.
- It was suggested we begin by starting a conversation-how can we fix the problem areas?
Some ideas are:
 - Assisting each Technical College improve their standard could be our focus.
 - Make this a topic for conference on professional development in 2016
 - Hala will contact someone from SC Association for Developmental Education (SCADE) to speak at our conference

VI. Student Math League

- 2016 goal- hosting Student Math League Competitions
- Requirement for students participating is noted on AMATYC website.
- Anybody interested in offering competition-contact Executive Board.
- Kim will contact Nancy Rivers from Wake Tech on this topic. Tracy will assist finding the when and where of the competitions. It was suggested the Executive Board try to attend a competition to see how these competitions are run.

VII. Treasurer's report. Balance: \$3,336.06.

Meeting adjourned: 12:31 pm