

Minutes of WAMATYC Annual Meeting

Friday, May 2, 2003

Wenatchee, Wash.

The meeting began at 12:15 p.m. with approximately 20 members present. Doug Mooers announced the resignation of Chief Information Officer Sally Keely and recognized her years of dedicated service with flowers and a plaque.

Marjie Vittum-Jones presented and handed out the Treasurer's Report. The year began with a balance of \$1,153.73 and concluded with \$1,390.83. Expenses in the past year have consisted of \$25 toward a hospitality room at the national AMATYC conference and \$50 to the top-scoring Washington school (Bellevue Community College) in the Student Math League.

Marjie discussed the Online Math Directory and asked representatives of each college to submit current information. A motion was made, seconded, and passed without opposition to pay \$150 to each of the two students who developed the web site.

Other planned expenses in the next year include a stipend for 2003 conference speaker Millie Johnson, a replacement for the plaque given to the top Washington school in the Student Math League (the current plaque is full), and an award to the winning school.

Donnie Hallstone discussed and distributed a position statement on the state requirement for mathematics content courses for pre-service elementary teachers from the Washington Teachers of Teachers of Mathematics (WaToToM).

The nomination of Heidi Ypma as Chief Information Officer had been made electronically. No other candidates were nominated from the floor, and Heidi was elected without opposition (except, facetiously, from Heidi).

Doug Mooers began a discussion on WAMATYC's role, noting that other state affiliates do things much differently. Doug explained that WAMATYC could be more involved at the national level of AMATYC by discussing our state's issues with other state affiliates and with AMATYC regional representatives, and by streamlining communications from the individual college level to the regional AMATYC level. There was interest among the membership in looking for ways for WAMATYC to become more involved nationally in AMATYC.

Doug then moved on to issues of state legislative and administrative awareness of community college mathematics, and referred specifically to drafts of WAMATYC position statements on consistency in Intermediate Algebra and the continued use of Intermediate Algebra as a prerequisite to quantitative skills courses. Doug presented some of the issues involved in these matters. Helen Burn suggested looking into the relationships between the HEC Board and the SBCTC; Beverly Parnell stressed that state legislators need to hear from community college mathematics instructors on these issues. There was broad support among the membership to raise awareness on these issues.

Doug talked about the upcoming electronic discussions of the position papers. Ed Morris, followed by others, began discussing some of the general issues; Doug stated that this was precisely the sort of discussion and feedback that needs to, and will, continue.

The meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.