

MATHWEST  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Thursday, May 8, 2008, Minutes

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order on May 8, 2008, at 4:32 PM at the home of Scott Trahan in Feeding Hills. Those in attendance were Tricia Lynn, Scott Trahan, Pat Bertone-Gross, and Marnie Henneman. President Tricia Lynn called the meeting to order.

II. Secretary's Report: The minutes from March were presented by the acting Secretary, Tricia Lynn. The secretary's position is currently vacant.

Moved to accept – Scott  
Seconded – Marnie

III. Treasurer's Report: There is about \$2400 in the account. After a \$500 expense for maintenance on the copier for the AP tests, we broke even on the AP Practice Exam. We are still awaiting payment on two purchase orders from this academic year for a total of \$150.

IV. Membership Report: Nothing new to report as far as membership is concerned.

V. AP Calculus Practice Test Recap: A total of 176 AP students participated along with over twenty-something teacher volunteers. Due to rising costs and organizational issues, next year's exam will have some changes. The new cost will be \$13 per student. Any school sending students to take the test will be required to have an adult volunteer at the exam. There will be a late registration fee of an additional \$10 per student to discourage last minute registrations.

VI. Spring Membership Meeting Recap: A small, but enthusiastic group gathered at HEC in Northampton to discuss our electoral college and the mathematics behind different voting systems.

VII. Math Poster Contest: Here is a list of the winners from this year's contest:

Grades 9 -12

1st Prize	Connor M.	Grade 9	Cathedral High School
2nd Prize	Eric R.	Grade 11	Cathedral High School
3rd Prize	Derek M.	Grade 12	Cathedral High School
Honorable Mention	K.C. F.	Grade 11	Cathedral High School

Grades 5 - 8

1st Prize	Meaghan S.	Grade 7	R.C. Maher Regional
2nd Prize	Ronald J.	Grade 7	Mt. Carmel Academy
3rd Prize	Brendan G.	Grade 7	R.C. Maher Regional
Honorable Mention	Michael J.	Grade 8	Mt. Carmel Academy

Grades K - 4

1st Prize	Craig B.	Grade 3	Fausey School
2nd Prize	Daiyann S.	Grade 3	Fausey School
3rd Prize	Nathan B.	Grade 3	Mosier Elementary School
Honorable Mention	Cassidy P.	Grade 2	Mosier Elementary School

VIII. Fall Membership Meeting: The Fall General Membership Meeting will be Thursday, October, 23, 2008. The theme will be Math and the Environment. Pat is working on site visits to recycling centers. Anyone who has lesson plans that integrate math and the environment are encouraged to email them to Pat.

IX. Spring 2009 Conference: The Spring Conference will be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2009, at the Sheraton Hotel in downtown Springfield from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. A letter has been written and will be mailed by the end of May to the entire membership regarding the conference and other issues. In September, letters will be mailed to look for vendors and advertising for the conference. Speaker applications must be received by Friday, November 21, 2008. Programs will be finalized and printed during the Christmas vacation and will be mailed by January 1, 2009.

X. May Membership Letter: A letter will be mailed to the entire membership at the end of this month. It covers three major topics:

1. Promotion of the Spring Conference and speaker applications.
2. A push for new board members.
3. A push for members to make grant proposals, along with a list of previous grant proposals and a mock grant application.

X. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 PM.

Moved to accept – Scott

Seconded – Pat