

## MINUTES OF THE MATYCONN MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tunxis Community College

Friday, April 15, 2016

Janet Zupkus, President, opened the meeting at 11:05pm

### **1. Welcome**

Dr. Maddy, President of Tunxis, gave her welcoming remarks.

### **2. Review of Minutes from Membership Meeting, October 23, 2015**

Steve made a motion to accept the minutes and Nick seconded it.

### **3. Treasurer's Report**

Emily Hepworth, treasurer, gave the report. The beginning balance was \$12323. Expenditures were \$685. Income was \$1611. Ending balance was \$13249.33. Steve made a motion to approve and Helen seconded it.

### **4. AMATYC Report**

Janet Zupkus filled in for Ernie Danforth and gave the report.

- A. The Teaching Excellence Award was not given last year. 23 applications are needed and we did not get enough, so no award.
- B. There is \$8000 in the budget to award to several traveling workshops. This would be a nice way to connect nationally.
- C. There are positions to fill. One is the Northeast Regional Vice-President. The next AMATYC meeting will be in Denver from Nov 17 to 20.
- D. Steve mentioned that he is going to Germany for a Math Ed Conference in July and would be happy to report at the October meeting.

### **5. Math Contest report**

Steve Krevisky and Nick Stugard, co-chairs, gave the report. Steve thanked everyone for participating (we had 11 CC's in the contest.) Nick gave out the questions and reported that there were 5 perfect scores this year and 1 grade of 39 and 1 grade of 38. Much discussion took place about how much to award to the winners. We have \$550. Janet made a motion to split it evenly among the 5. Maria suggested a friendly amendment to Janet's

motion that we give the 5 perfect scores each \$200 if we have enough money, and then nothing to the rest except honorable mention. The motion on the floor to give \$200 to each of the 5 who tied was passed. Then Sal made a motion to award \$50 to the student who got the 39 points and \$25 to the student who got 38 points. It was seconded, but during discussion it was stated that it was not enough. Motion was defeated. A new motion was made that \$100 be awarded to the 39 pointer and \$50 to the 38 pointer. This was passed. The total awarded was \$1150.

To avoid so many perfect scores in the future Nick suggested that we make the questions a little more difficult. Some possibilities were more questions in the same amount of time or no calculator usage. Question was raised, "Do advanced students have an edge?"

Please let them know if you are still the contact person for your CC. AND send the \$50 from your school to Emily

The contest should be held Wednesday through Saturday the week before our spring meeting. Let us make it even more this year.

## **6. Scholarship Report**

The winners were:      1<sup>st</sup> Vin Lu (TRCC)  
   2<sup>nd</sup> Hilary Stearns (GCC)  
   Tie for 3<sup>rd</sup> Senan Astrid Agblonon (NCC) and  
   Giuliano Stabile (NCC)

Suggested awards were \$150-200 for first, \$100-\$150 for second and \$75-100 each for third. A motion was made and carried that we award \$450 for first (to cover a course), and \$200 for second place and \$100 each for third.

## **7. Math Issues**

This committee has been discussing dual enrollment with the high schools, common course numbering, etc. For the most part the report from the Fall is still current.

## **8. Newsletter Report**

Please send in anything new going on for the next newsletter.

## **9. Membership Report**

Emily has report when membership expires.

## **10. Website Update**

Kegan Samuel was absent and sent word that he had nothing to report.

## **11. Voting for 2016-2017 Executive Board**

The Executive Board consists of all the chairpersons of the committees. Deb Meyers said the nominating committee has the slate.

## **12. New Business**

Janet asked if we should we allow colleagues to use our distribution list for a scholarly reason. Jana said OK if there is a gatekeeper. It was mentioned that only internal would be OK, i.e., a MATYCONN member. It was decided that a vote was not necessary, but the person must be a MATYCONN member and must go through a gatekeeper.

## **13. Plans for Fall 2016**

Janet Zupkus, President, said that our Fall meeting will be in October, perhaps at Norwalk Community College. We will keep the time at 10:30 – 2:30. Some colleges cannot come because they teach on Friday. Therefore we could have a later meeting in the Spring.

## **14. Adjournment**

Steve made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded. Janet adjourned the meeting at 12:15.

Helen Cloherty, Secretary.