

**MATYCONN MEETING MINUTES**  
**FALL 2007**  
**NAUGATUCK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
**OCTOBER 26, 2007**

Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Mark Leach, MATYCONN President, at 2:12 p.m. on Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup> in room L501 at Naugatuck Valley Community College in Waterbury, CT. Mark thanked the members of the Executive Board for their help in coordinating the meeting. He also welcomed members and thanked them for coming.

New faculty members were introduced, Milaim Tahiri, MCC, Teresa Foley, HCC and Harry Burt, NVCC.

Revisions to Spring 2007 Meeting Minutes

The following revisions were made to the minutes from the Spring 2007 MATYCONN meeting.

From "Balance on hand 43826.49" To "*Balance on hand \$3263.26.*"

From "Membership Chair Jana Sime" to "*Membership Chair Jana Sime, MCC*"

*Addition "John Lepore, Campus contact, Quinebaug Valley CC*

Andre Freeman made a motion to accept the minutes as revised, seconded by S. Krevisky.

Treasurer's Report

D. Litwinko reported that the CD renewal deadline is November 10<sup>th</sup>. The \$3500 CD will be renewed for another 6 month term at 5.9%. L. Musco suggested investigating a flexible CD investment which allows access to the funds at anytime.

D. Litwinko asked for input on the inclusion of check recipients' names on the Treasurer's report. She observed that it may be inconsistent not to list scholarship donors' names. A. Freeman noted that for record keeping purposes, scholarship and math contest recipients' names should continue to be listed. It was agreed that only the expenditure reason will be listed for all other checks and that scholarship donors' names will not be listed.

S. Krevisky questioned where the income for the meeting's registration is recorded on the report. D. Litwinko explained it was shown at the bottom of the report under Outstanding Deposits. The data on the report reflects the account balance as of September 30<sup>th</sup>.

S. Krevisky made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, seconded by A. Freeman.

### Membership Report

Jana Sime provided a report itemizing membership by each College (attached). She noted that currently there are 75 members, an increase of five members compared to the Spring 2007 report.

### Math Contest Report

S. Krevisky announced the 18<sup>th</sup> annual Math Contest is scheduled for April 5<sup>th</sup>. He asked attendees to send potential problems to him and to recruit students. The plan is to have the contest problems in final form before spring break. The contest includes twenty questions with a two hour time limit. S. Pettinico commented that previous years' questions are included in the Newsletter. It was discussed that perhaps more challenging problems be included as there were several perfect scores last year. E. Dinto agreed to include past problems and solutions on the MATYCONN website.

### Scholarship Report

L. Alikhanova encouraged attendees to recruit scholarship applicants. Last year there was a single applicant who received \$300. Typically the award is given to multiple recipients and is in the range of \$200 - \$250 per recipient. The MATYCONN website contains the criteria and requirements for application. Reminders will be sent to members at all campuses after Thanksgiving. The deadline for applications is February 28<sup>th</sup>. The scholarship had been previously referred to as the Minority Scholarship. It will now be referred to as the MATYCONN scholarship as it is identified in the by-laws.

### AMATYC Update

S. Krevisky stated that voting would take place on several issues at the upcoming Minneapolis meeting. K. Bavelas noted that it is important to have state delegates and affiliate delegates present at the meeting to participate in voting. MATYCONN is an affiliate. S. Krevisky is one of the affiliate delegates. T. Foley asked K. Bavelas to be an affiliate delegate. K. Bavelas accepted. T. Foley made a motion to accept Bavelas as an affiliate delegate. The motion was seconded by S. Krevisky and approved by the attendees. M. Leach, as MATYCONN president may be required to officially name delegates for voting purposes. S. Mihok is a state delegate. A. Freeman agreed to contact Peter Wursthorn to determine his status as the other state delegate.

### NEMATYC Update

The fall meeting is scheduled for Worcester, MA. Results of the TIMMS study will be highlighted comparing US students to their international counterparts. A spring meeting is scheduled for the weekend of April 11<sup>th</sup> in Springfield MA. A joint meeting of affiliates is possible in 2009.

### Newsletter

A. Freeman provided copies of the newsletter. He noted its contents including Math Contest questions, essay from Dr. Shabazz who presented at CCC in the spring, and articles from faculty. The next edition is planned for the spring. A. Freeman also noted that Dr. Shabazz's entire presentation is available as a video link at the CCC website.

### Spring Meeting Plans

Capital CC agreed to host the Spring 2008 meeting, potentially scheduled for April 25<sup>th</sup>.  
B. Simon and S. Ricciuti volunteered for the nomination committee.

### Other Business

E. Dinto reported that Dean Affleck will meet with the Math Issues group to discuss the CT State Legislative initiative to standardize common Accuplacer cut scores. Minutes from this meeting will be posted at the MATYCONN website. M. Leach noted that there is some confusion around testing prior to entrance or upon exiting Intermediate Algebra. B. Simon explained that the Community Colleges differ on graduation requirements and what courses are considered as college level math.

S. Krevisky made a motion to adjourn, seconded by J. Sime. The meeting was adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Zupkus

MATYCONN fall 2007 membership

Current membership (dues up-to-date) – 75 members broken down by college affiliation

Asnuntuck CC	1
Capital CC	5
Gateway CC	6
Housatonic CC	7
Manchester CC	13
Middlesex CC	5
Naugatuck Valley CC	18
Norwestern CC	3
Norwalk CC	8
Quinebaug CC	2
Three Rivers CC	3
Tunis CC	2
OTHER	2

This is 5 more than reported at spring 2007 meeting

Membership expiring information:

MATYCONN membership expiring September 2007 - 19 memberships

MATYCONN membership expiring September 2008 - 44 memberships

MATYCONN membership expiring September 2009 - 8 memberships

MATYCONN membership expiring September 2009 - 3 memberships

MATYCONN membership for life 1 membership