

# Minutes of the WAMATYC Membership Meeting May 1<sup>st</sup> 2015 at Chelan WA

Peter Wildman, President, WAMATYC, Presiding

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM. There were approximately 12 members of WAMATYC present.

Minutes were approved from both spring 2013 and spring 2014 with one minor correction.

## REPORTS

Financial Officer Christopher Milner presented the following budget:

Beginning Balance	\$2,540.00
Revenues	
Interest	\$0.36
Dues	\$720.00
Shoreline's part of speaker fee	\$535.00
Misc.	\$85.00
Expenses	
Website fee	-\$420.74
Speaker fee, 2014 conference	-\$1,035.00
checking account fees	-\$70.00
Ending Balance	\$2,354.62

The website fee was to purchase hosting service for ten years. The cost fell well below the amount approved in 2014. There was some discussion about the bank fees and if a different bank might waive them due to our being a non-profit organization. Bank of America is charging us \$10 a month because our balance is under \$3000. It was suggested that we look into moving to a credit union, perhaps WA Employees CU.

Information Officer Sally Keely spoke briefly about the website and social media. Both are updated on a near daily basis. Several new features have been added, such as a centralized WCCM Conference page. The most common request for posting to the site comes in the form

of job announcements. Chris Quarles asked her to look into the hit count. She will report those numbers at the next meeting.

### WWCCSMC

President Elect Paul Casillas briefed us on the Western Washington Community College Student Math Conference. Feb 2015 was the ninth year it was run. In attendance were 50-55 students and 15 faculty. All felt it was a worthy experience. WAMATYC will give Edmonds Community College \$50 in support of the 2016 WWCCSMC.

### AMATYC NATIONAL CONVENTION

AMATYC Regional Vice-President Liz Helton reported that Spokane Convention Center will host the 2020 AMATYC national convention (Nov. 12-15, 2020). There will be a locally appointed team in 2017 to lead the planning.

### WAMATYC TEACHING AWARDS

Peter Wildman shared a flyer about the awards and reviewed the process and policies adopted this year for selections. A discussion ensued about how to get information out to more instructors and encourage more nominations. The judging panel is the same this year as last and they reported that the judging process was smooth and fair. Chris Quarles expressed concern over the printability of the WAMATYC logo that is used on the award certificate. Sally Keely offered to work on cleaning up the digital image.

### AMATYC PRESIDENTIAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The winner of this year's national award was from our own Everett College. The membership present engaged in a healthy discussion of the process this year, changes for future years. Chris Quarles stated that it is valuable to the Washington state student nominees to get a congratulatory letter on official letterhead. Peter Wildman suggested a local WAMATYC scholarship, possibly funded by personal donations.

## WAMATYC AND THE WASHINGTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE MATH CONFERENCE

The general discussion was on how WAMATYC can grow its involvement and support of the WCCM Conference. An ongoing issue with the way Washington handles the conference is that the funds are transferred from one college foundation to another each year. The current conference hosts concede this can get unnecessarily complicated with bank accounts, signature cards, EIN numbers, etc. The discussion included some suggestions on how WAMATYC might be able to help in that transition and facilitate conference sponsorship. No formal conclusions were reached.

WAMATYC sponsored a Department Head meeting at this year's conference. Garrett Gregor from Clark College lead the meeting which, while only having three people in attendance, held a good conversation. This was our first year, but the consensus was to try again next year with advertising and personal recruiting of attendees. Paul Casillas and Sally Keely will team to build a list of Department Heads and Liaisons to WAMATYC to ease regular communications. Dale Hoffman suggested at least 2 names per college in case of leaves or sabbaticals. A motion was made and passed for WAMATYC to expend \$100 max for snacks if Bill Moore's math group doesn't offer support. Discussions could include pathways, reciprocity of placement scores, and types of support and events departments provide their students.

Paul Casillas raised the possibility of sponsoring a general session talk or two at the annual spring Washington Community College Math Conference under the possible moniker of "The WAMATYC Sessions in Mathematics." The purpose would be to support high quality presentations on mathematics topics of interest and relevance to community college instructors. Paul will investigate this possibility and report back to the WAMATYC Board throughout the 2015-16 school year.

## WAMATYC BYLAWS

Sally Keely proposed some changes to the bylaws. They included moving the responsibility of Chairing the Nomination/Elections Committee to the Past President, a title change from Information Officer to Webmaster, some tidying up on job description, a change to length of term for FO and IO positions, and some minor housekeeping. With one minor correction the membership in attendance voted unanimously to proceed. Sally will conduct a vote of the full membership by email next month.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 am.