

# **Minutes: Math Coalition May 4, 2023**

Present: Jean McKenny, George Ashline, Steven Ushakov, Kiran MacCormick, John Devino, David Hathaway, Jean Ohlson, Bob Chaffee

Following a roll call by Jean McKenny the meeting was called to order at 7:33 pm.

George Ashline moves to approve the January 26, 2023 minutes and John Devino seconded the motion. No changes were made to the minutes.

## **Executive Director's Report - David Hathaway**

- Requested and received a grant through Mergens.
- Expenses for tonight around \$1650 and prizes around \$1050.
- The bus for ARML through Lamoille Valley Transportation has been contracted and the cost for the bus is \$1000 more than last year.
- 24 students which is about \$9600, so about \$3450 net cost to the coalition.
- Next year there may be an increase to the charge back to schools.
- We will be paying to GIV approximately \$7500 in paid tuition.
- Registered with Google as a non-profit.

## **Financial Report - David Hathaway**

- Tabular version of the executive directors' report.

A motion was made by John Devino and seconded by George Ashline to approve the financial report. The financial report was approved.

## **Election of Officers - John Devino**

- Approve as written in agenda.

A motion was made by Bob Chaffee and seconded by Kiran MacCormick to approve the candidates.

## **Talent Search - Kiran MacCormick**

- Numbers of participants continue to decrease, but we did have participation by some new students and some additional girls.
- Contact channel 17 to record talent search in the future. These recordings could be made available to schools or other VIP's.

## **ARML - Kiran MacCormick**

Minutes: Math Coalition May 4, 2023

- Bus price is up due to fuel surcharge.
- 24 students attending leaving June 2 returning on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **Expanding Horizons - John Devino**

- A notice was sent out in early January to high school teachers. As far as we know, there has been no contacts made.
- New approach featuring one presenter at a time. Have not assessed whether it has made a change to requests for presenters.
- Went to the Vermont Library Association conference and we were provided with a table. Handed out about 44 leaflets at the conference.
- Discussion around more participation and a variety of ways to get more students involved. Jean McKenny brings up the STEM and STEAM fairs for middle schools.
- George Ashline suggests that a connection with the principal, or administrator could help facilitate teachers interest in presentations.

### **VCTM - Steven Ushakov**

- Membership has blossomed. Free membership has attracted new teachers.
- ATMNE should be funding more as the funding goes through changes.
- Conference is the largest driver of funds for VCTM.
- Next conference is going to be in the spring, this is a shift from the fall. It is still scheduled for spring 2024 (possibly the week of April 8).
- Steve will be co-chairing planning this conference.
- Math Fair will move to February 2024 to avoid the end of year crunch and conflicting with the conference.
- There is the Equity and Inclusion committee which is continuing, currently running a book group. ATMNE is providing some funding.

### **Old Business:**

- **[Proposed Revision to Bylaws](#) John Devino**
  - o These proposed bylaw changes were submitted at the January 26 meeting for approval at this meeting.
  - o See [Minutes of the January 26 meeting](#) for discussion of the changes.

A motion was made by Jean Ohlson and seconded by Steven Ushakov to approve the revisions.

### **• New Website - David Hathaway**

- o Created a Word Press site.
- o Easy to create accordion style links to create smoother transitions on the links.

## Minutes: Math Coalition May 4, 2023

- o Calendar is added, may link to Space Grants if that makes more sense.
- o Old site still exists and is linked.
- o Proposal to take website and change to vtmathcoalition.

A motion was made by George Ashline and seconded by Steven Ushakov to approve the website changes.

### **Calendar:**

- Next meeting is scheduled for September 26, 5pm (target, poll will be sent in August to set a final date).

Motion to adjourn by Steven Ushakov seconded by George Ashline.  
The meeting adjourned at 8:48 pm.