

MCTM Board Meeting Minutes
June 9, 2012
Montana Learning Center

Meeting began at 8:30 AM

Present: Laura Ascheman, Marie Boothe, Lisa Wood, Marcia Anderson, Beth Burroughs, Rodd Zeiler, Melissa Romano, Deb Wickum, Hillary Risser, Don Hickethier, David Erickson, Angel Zickefoose

Excused: Cliff Bara, Mandy Bighorn

Announcements

David discussed an opportunity for math and science majors to receive grant opportunities.

- Last year seniors and this year seniors are eligible.
- NSF Noyce grant, which is a 5 year grant.
- Funds them in junior and seniors in college.
- Designed to convert math science professionals to math science teachers at U of M.

Binders were passed from outgoing members to new board members.

Native American Scholarship - Beth Burroughs reported that there were no candidates and we need to find a new chair person for the scholarship as she is leaving the board.

Reports

Minutes were read and edited as needed ... Correction to names

Marcia Anderson moved to accept the minutes as amended, Marie Boothe seconded. Motion was passed unanimously.

Treasures Report

Karen Longhart money is used to balance the checking acct. Janus is up to \$125,392 from \$107,247. Simms royalties are sent to Cliff from Kendall Hunt and then the writers are getting royalty checks and the rest goes into the checking acct.

Profit Loss Statement was presented by David

MEA fall conference budget is different because they do not pay for lunch. Membership dues are up thanks to the membership chair's dedication, each year since David has been on the board; we have needed to take money from investments to operate the board.

Membership Report: Lisa has been sending emails to overdue ... About 60 people have dropped, but about \$800 in membership dues have been collected. Lisa is individually sending emails and letters out to outdated

124 outdated

190 regular members

Election report: Rodd Zeiler

Record number of voters this year! Rodd went away from Google forms because it was too easy to, re vote, went away from survey monkey to avoid advertising. He decided to use lime survey which is free, and is on Rodd's server. David suggested that the biographies of the candidates are linked to the actual ballots.

SIMMS Report: David Erickson

Lisa Scott is liaison for the board. David has been actively pursuing the idea of having Simms being published online. Tim Pope spoke with David regarding the topic of digital and interactive editions. Lisa Scott has sent a message requesting the materials back.

Hillary reported that Wolfram Mathematica has made interactivity production easier. Students can download viewer for free. Does not use Flash and Wolfram is looking to create an iPad app.

MCTM owns Simms ... Kendall Hunt has exclusive rights to most, not all, of the Simms modules, so David has been working with an unpublished module.

Hillary suggested doing Simms version 2 instead do getting the old curriculum back. Lisa wondered that if the original was updated that writers would lose their royalties and David said no.

There was discussion about why Simms did not last in Montana ... Issues included guidance counselors misunderstanding, teacher training, parents not able to help students with the homework.

Sequence of the book needs to be looked at for testing purposes.

PDA Report: David Erickson

There are now 3 PDA for k-5 and 1 for 6-12 with 52 participants
For 2 of 3 of the K-5 workshops, OPI is paying presenters individually.
\$75 registration fee is given back to MCTM

OPI has claimed the rights of the materials developed

Our PDA next year could be a next step in CCSM

Beth Burroughs discussed that there is MSP money that will come available, so as board members we need to keep up to date on the RFP and submit a proposals

Math Contest: David Erickson

Linda Horst has been the state math contest director and is now retired from teaching for Billings Schools. We so value her leadership over the many years and hope that she doesn't resign as director any time soon. Writers for the math contest will meet June 23 – 24 at Linda's home.

In January it was suggested to increase the returned portion from the Math Contest Regional Directors to the Board, but contest directors were not supportive of this, so we will not ask for more. Marie suggested that each state contest regional area pay for the pencils as opposed to MCTM. Lisa reminded us that money kept at the regional areas is used for door prizes, and people that volunteer to lead the regional contests are not given any money, etc. so encouraged us not to add one more thing to the regions.

Lisa is asking for someone to take over the pursuing of a corporate scholarship. Hillary Risser volunteered to take over seeking corporate sponsors ... First Interstate Bank, Town Pump, Exxon Mobile, and Texas Instruments. We are primarily seeking dollars to support our contest costs: pencils, paper, printing, mailing, prizes, etc.

MCTM will draft a donation letter to give to regional directors for local prizes for door prizes

Regional Reports

Beth has requested and transferred responsibilities from Beth Burroughs to Laura Ascheman
Marcia Anderson has requested and transferred responsibilities to Deb Wickum

Clarification of regional reports was made - if you are the regional representative, you are responsible for emailing the region members from the MCTM president

Region 5: northwest region are being swamped with oil field workers and classes are crowded and need new teachers

Clarification was asked for on Dean Preble Award -- nominations goes to Cliff by June 15th. Dean Preble has been changed from 3 winners to 1. Cliff has 1 nomination and there will be 2 other nominations from the board.

Sherry Horeyna has just retired and has taught 41 years and been regional director for years. David suggested that they submit a recommendation for Dean Preble award.

David's question is what we do to recognize people that have contributed to our organization, other than a plaque. Laura suggested something engraved as opposed to a plaque (vase, plate, champagne flutes) Lisa Wood suggested we honor her at the directors' dinner and to set a budget now. We will spend up to \$100. David will share with Linda.

Newsletter Report:

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Dr. Marlow Ediger has been submitting articles, will continue to be published in the newsletter

MEA-MFT Report: Lisa Wood

John Carter is the keynote speaker, from Adalai Stevens HS, was a SIMMS write and past MCTM board member. Has been published in textbooks and has written a book on writing in the math curriculum. Thursday keynote is on Mathematical Practices and Common Core, will also do a workshop on the second day keynote on PLC with associate principals. He is charging us expenses, but no stipend. He is picking up the costs for bringing other two with him.

Kerry Guizenzaga is working on getting hotel rooms for the conference. Boot Hill Inn will not give a block of rooms, but they are closest. Skyview and Castle Rock, MCTM will be at Skyview. MCTM and MSTA luncheons conflicted (11-1) during keynotes and luncheon there are no other math sectionals. 78 math sectionals for 2 days.

Low in elementary sectionals - need to encourage colleagues.

Mandy & Lisa will be program chair for next 3 years. Perks of program chair is that you get renewal units and attend the conference free.

MLC - Melissa Romano

Melissa has resigned from the board, so no report.

OPI report -David

Excited to report that Jean Howard is at OPI

Scholarship Report: David Erickson

David has approached Jim Hamling regarding the scholarships and proposed a committee of 3. The committee would look at applications for New Teacher Scholarship, MCTM Scholarship and Karen Longhart Memorial. The committee would be Jim Hamling, Fred Longhart and MCTM past-president. Jim Hamling has agreed, Fred Longhart has not committed to this yet.

If the board would approve the new scholarship committee then their responsibility would be to solicit and look at submissions for the Karen Longhart Scholarship to be awarded by October MEA.

Marcia Anderson moved that we change the existing scholarship committee for scholarships, which currently exists of Jim Hamling, to now consist of Jim Hamling, Fred Longhart and MCTM Past-President. The committee will oversee the existing teacher scholarships. The committee will re-write the MCTM procedure to fit their mission. This re-written language will be presented at the next board meeting.

2nd by Marie Booth

Motion passed

Small Classroom Grants: David Erickson

\$300 per region

New hires are eligible, but must be MCTM member

Regional only - if no one from a region applies then no scholar

If not a current member, they can become a member with the application.

Should be shared with regions via e-mail. Will be in the September Newsletter.

Will create a letter for both awardees and non-awardees.

Will create procedure for the Small Classroom Grants

Business:

Affiliate Conference: Atlanta GA August 3 - 5 - Laura Ascherman and Deb Wickum will attend

MCTM Committee Assignments: completed - David will mail to me

Newsletter items/Assignments: template filled out. Angel will email the responsibilities to people.

Reconnections at MEA/MFT - wondering if we need to work with MSTA to rotate lunch schedules, to avoid conflicts

Board Member Responsibilities

Marie -

- Jokes & Quotes; Sept. lesson plan and committee
- sign up new teacher for MCTM
- Nominate a Dean Preble person

Lisa Wood -

- nominate for Dean Preble,
- Check T application due date;
- Write for MCTM math contest June 23/24
- Feature article for Sept
- HS activity for Nov
- Kathy Warner - MEA to cancel some sectionals
- Program chair for MEA MFT conference in Billings

Laura Ascherman -

- e-mail region 3 members
- attend PDA in June as a runner
- Prepare talk on Common Core for MEA conference
- Attend Affiliates Leadership Conference in August

- Write articles for newsletter
- Leadership Conference and Election Committee

Rodd Zeiler -

- Check election responsibilities and chair
- Follow through on MLC commitment
- Contact Region 4 more frequently :)
- Plan for PDA
- Jan/March lesson plans

Melissa Romano -

- Present at 3 PDA's
- Sept Elem and Mid; Jan Elem
- Recruit a K-4 board member replacements
- Recruit teachers for small classroom grants

Deb Wickum -

- Email Region 2 re: Dean Preble & Small CG
- contact PDA people
- Attend Affiliate's Leadership
- HS/MS lesson plans
- Recruit teachers for small classroom grants

Hilary Risser -

- Investigate corporate sponsorship for Math Contest
- Resurrect the math contest in Butte - Regional Math Contest at Tech
- 2 talks
- Jan lesson plan
- May lesson plan

Don Hicketier

- MEA present
- Region 1 - investigate and send emails out
- Publicize Small classroom grant and Native American Scholarship
- Help with Election Committee
- Math article for newsletter
- SIMMS - work on/communicate with

David

- Register participants for Affiliates
- Work on scholarship committee
- Work with NA scholarship committee
- Assume responsibility of NCTM Rep

Angel

- Add new members to Google docs for membership list
- Order plaques for MEA MFT conference (Sherry Horeyna, Beth Burroughs, Marcia Anderson, Lisa Wood and Jim Hirstein)
- Order name tags
- Order vests
- Get renewal units for PDA - keep master list of who is attending and who is receiving credit!! :)
- Procedure for Small classroom Grant to board members
- Send electronic copies, via Google docs ...
- Credit Card from cliff
- Let Linda Horst know that Hilary Risser will be doing the Southwest; and to give information to Hilary
- Ask Lisa Scott to write an article for Next Generation Assessments
- Order vests (2 - XS, 1 M)
- Contact Scott regarding recycling at Leadership Conference
- Assign a committee to revise procedure manual

Mandy

- Work with Lisa as co-program chair for MEA-MFT conference
- Work on 3 PDAs with Angel and Melissa
- Get small classroom grants started in the Fall
- Update October motion and post October meeting, October Annual meeting, and January minutes to Tony
- Newsletter responsibilities

President David Erickson thanked board members for helping and Lisa Wood for mentoring.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:00 PM