

**Present:**

Officers: Omar Adawi President, Bob Cappetta-Past President, Connie McLean- President Elect, Steve Kifowit-Treasurer, and Kyra Rider-Secretary

Board Members: Andy Geary, Donna Carlson, Diane Martling, Tony Paris, Tom Pulver, Chris Riola, Deanna Welsch Absent: Kenneth Beynon, Greg Wheaton

Guests: Rodger Hergert, Paul McCombs, Sunil Koswatta

**I. Call to order**

President, Omar Adawi called the meeting to order at 1:10 pm.

**II. Minutes**

The minutes of the IMACC Board Meeting of Saturday October 5, 2013 were distributed and reviewed. **After a minor change, Tom Pulver moved that the IMACC Board accept these minutes as corrected. Tony Paris seconded the motion and the motion carried.**

**III. Reports**

a. Publisher/Exhibitor Coordinator (Rodger Hergert)

Four publishers are in attendance this year: Pearson, McGraw Hill, and Cengage each have 2 tables and Thinkwell has one table. Hawkes is a regular vendor but was too busy this year. 7 tables total for publishers is about average. Andy suggested contacting XYZ Textbooks. Rodger was afraid of overbooking which happened last year.

Omar has received freebies from several publishers: notepads, blankets, pens, and tote bags and bags from AMATYC.

b. Placement and Assessment Committee (Omar for Beth Beno)

Beth shared information about the PARCC assessment via email. There will be someone from PARCC speaking at the conference. PARCC has several assessment clinics for higher education planned this summer.

ICCB would like statewide guidelines to define college ready most likely using the PARCC exam. (Perhaps in place of the COMPASS exam).

c. Scholarship Committee (Tony Paris)

2013 scholarship has not been paid out. Kyra shared that the 2013 scholarship winner is from her school (Kishwaukee College) and he has decided to not pursue Mathematics Education and will be declining the scholarship.

This year the Scholarship Committee ran into another issue. One of the applicants was not a U.S. citizen. U.S. Citizenship is a current guideline. Discussion followed regarding Permanent Resident vs US citizen status. Omar shared information regarding the Ryoti Scholarship at Parkland that is awarded to non-U.S. citizens who are permanent residents. This is something to consider also and maybe open up to Math minors as well as Math majors.

The Scholarship Committee recommended two applicants be awarded scholarships as follows: Nicholas Modlin (Harper College) \$1,250 scholarship and Tyler Shalitis (Elgin Community

College) a \$750 scholarship. **Andy Geary moved that scholarships be awarded as recommended. Connie McLean seconded. Motion Carried.**

d. Membership Committee (Diane Koenig)

The Membership Committee was unable to meet in person over the 2013 summer. However, through electronic communication the committee was able to develop the cover letter to be included in the membership packets to be sent out to all two year colleges in the state. Additionally, they created an informational letter to go out to all first time IMACC conference attendees.

Steve presented membership numbers - remember from the fall meeting numbers were way down. Members were just late in renewing. There are 305 current members. Most of the members receiving hard copies of the newsletter are lifetime members. Membership lapses 6/30 as long as it is paid by March it is counted as ok. We discussed adding a line on the membership form for unaffiliated faculty so numbers align better from year to year.

Life members vs regular members. As the number of lifetime members is growing the membership numbers look inflated. Ask lifetime members if they want to stay active in the membership.

There are limits to the current Excel spreadsheet we use for tracking members. We cannot search membership list to find years of membership for an individual. Is a new system needed? Costs? Time? Members update the information themselves? What about accepting Paypal to pay for membership? We can look into all of this as a summer project maybe.

e. Nominations & Elections Committee (Connie McLean)

95 members voted this year. The election for board members was close. Recommend that fourth person running for board member run again next year. Steve asked if anyone didn't get the election notice.

President elect – Andy Geary

Treasurer – Steve Kifowit

Secretary – Kyra Rider

Board Members – Linda Blanco (Joliet Junior College), Christian Roldán Santos (Wilbur Wright College), Kim Martin (Southeastern Illinois College)

f. Curriculum Committee (Bob Cappetta/Keven Hansen)

Thank you to Keven for all his hard work on the articulation guide. The Illinois Mathematics Teacher Education Summit recently took place at Lincoln Land Community College. One change starting in 2017 is that all Elementary Education students will have to show proficiency in college algebra and statistics. ISBE stated that there were 90 days to vote on these changes. There were some questions about who received notice of this potential change. ISBE suggested using ALEKS to meet the College Algebra requirement but IAI does not define college algebra. There will need to be a statewide team to make a plan and decide how colleges are going to meet this need and set deadlines. This might be a recommendation that comes out of this group. This is going to affect everyone. We've been told to fix it but not given any guidelines.

**Diane Martling made a motion to contribute \$50 to Illinois Mathematics Teacher Educators to help sponsor the Summit meeting. Chris Riola seconded and the motion carried.**

Keven outlined two topics that are “on the horizon”: Need for an IAI number for College Algebra and a review of the Geometry requirement. Geometry discussion followed. Guidelines vary widely college to college. Some colleges require a course with some geometry others require a geometry class with a C or better.

g. Constitution/Bylaws Committee (Bob Cappetta)  
Nothing to report.

h. Treasurer’s Report (Steve Kifowit)  
Steve Kifowit reported on the membership stats as of April 2014. Below is a summary:

- 305 current members (including life members)
- 28 memberships expired on 6-30-13 and have not yet been renewed
- 88 life members
- 212 current members receive the ConneXion by email only
- 15 new members since July 1, 2013
- Steve also noted that we have several intuitional members who and not sending members to the annual conference.

Tax exempt status – A short history. About the time Steve was elected treasurer (originally) there was no constitution on file, no legal name, no taxes, and a lot of unknowns regarding our tax status. Steve filed taxes filed as a 5013c about 6 years ago. Due to our back taxes and lack of incorporation IMACC decided to work with a lawyer 4 years ago. Lawyer farmed us out. File got lost. Been paying taxes as a 5013c and incorporated since 2010-2011. In October 2012 we started collecting conflict of interest forms and Steve really thought we were close to becoming tax exempt. But 2013 slipped away. The Lawyer contacted Steve this week and he has committed to get it done and stay in touch. A deadline is needed. Tom Pulver proposed a 10/1/14 deadline for getting this done. Steve and Connie will work on communication the lawyer.

Kyra spoke with an NIU accountancy professor who offered to put some grad students on the project. We are going to give the lawyer a second (or third...) chance.

i. Budget Committee (Steve Kifowit)  
Steve passed out the proposed budget. No changes were recommended.

j. Program Committee (Omar Adawi)  
Thursday night Omar was hoping to have a speaker on Math Literacy but speaker was unable to attend. The history of Allerton video will show at 8pm tonight.  
All speakers are going to attend plus two bonus speakers Sherri Messersmith, Jim Ham.  
Packets include info from NCTM and AMATYC, the contests, drink tickets, receipts.

k. Conference Coordinator (Sunil Koswatta)  
118 registrants, 4 speakers, 2 book reps, a local college is going to send 5 more for the day on Friday. There are 23 first time attendees. \$25,520 received in checks food bill is \$18,096.45 billing for rooms will come later. . Registration packets include special meal tickets for vegetarians. The vegetarian meals will be plated at no extra cost.

Concerns: Deadline for registration has to be kept early. 75% registered at the deadline. Food needs to be verified 2 weeks before conf. 3 attendees did not pay late fee. One case of an institutional member is registering late.

Late fees for several members were discussed and waived. There were a couple schools that did not use the institutional membership so we will give their registration check back and mark their receipt as an institutional membership.

We discussed an option of allowing people to cancel without penalty if their room request (i.e. single) cannot be met. Nothing was officially decided.

- l. Awards Committee (Deanna Welsch)  
5 members are eligible for lifetime membership
  - Phil Blazier – Parkland
  - Vicki Beitler – Parkland
  - Virginia Coil – CLC
  - David Clydesdale – Harper
  - Lauren Anderco ECC

There was one nominee for Distinguished Service award and two nominations for the Teaching Excellence Award. Winners will be announced Friday night. Please nominate colleagues.

- m. Communications (Diane Koenig)  
Facebook – Deanna has reposted items posted by general members. Omar thanks for the job postings.
- n. Historian (Jim Trefzger) - Nothing new to report.
- o. Webmaster - Nothing new to report

#### IV. Old Business

- a. Strategies to Increase Membership  
Table for a later date.
- b. Archives  
Tom Pulver can scan in documents at school or IMACC can purchase a scanner. Discussion about how much old information needs to be stored ensued. Do we need to keep it? Will we be able to find the information we need when we need it. This level of search ability is much more involved than just scanning.
- c. Mission Statement  
During the summer 2012 meeting the board began work on an IMACC Mission Statement. Greg Wheaton has taken lead with this project and presented several modifications.  
**Deanna motion to approve the mission statement as presented. Diane seconded. The motion carried.**  
The Mission Statement will be posted on the website and on Facebook.
- d. IMACC Logo  
There will be two designs one with abbreviation and one with whole name. Color scheme was discussed for promotional items. Bob suggests approving this logo, in the fall come up with color

scheme, bmp, vector image, sizing and resize-ability. Approval of the new logo will occur during the Fall meeting.

e. AMATYC tri fold poster

We can have a tri-fold poster on display during the AMATYC Conference this year. Suggestions are needed for content. The poster created in 2000 focused on the history of IMACC. We also need to consider the logistics of getting the poster to the conference.

V. New Business

a. Business and General Education Statistics

IAI has virtually no difference in description but it doesn't seem like there is a viable solution for separating the two.

b. Common Core and PARCC

Pilots are starting next month. 2015 full launch. There is push-back on Common Core from all directions. There are predictions that as many as 25% of students will not be college ready.

VI. **Tom Pulver moved to adjourn, Diane 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried, meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Kyra Rider  
Secretary, IMACC