

## Minutes

### IMACC Board Meeting

Zoom Meeting

Saturday, September 19, 2020



#### **Present:**

Officers: Michael Caparula—President, Natalie McGathey—Treasurer, Dan Kernler—President Elect

Board Members: Chis Appuhn, Dawn Peterson, Jeremy Chamberlain, Kim McHale, Michael McClure, Kim Martin

Absent: Jeremy McClure, Amy Frankel, Laurel Cutright, Diane Koenig, Abigail Bailey

Guests: Chris Riola

- I. Call to order: President Michael Caparula called the meeting to order at 10:06.
- II. Introductions and welcome to guests: Michael Caparula welcomed everyone and attendees introduced themselves.
- III. Review April 28th Board Meeting Minutes: **Minutes stand approved as read.**
- IV. Reports
  - 1) Treasurer's report (Natalie McGathey): There were several donations that came in with dues. Michael Caparula will reach out to the colleges who have not yet renewed their institutional memberships. We incurred some speaker travel expense that could not be reimbursed after our spring conference was cancelled. There was no scholarship recipient for 2020.  
**The Treasurer's report stands approved as read.**
  - 2) Publisher/Exhibitor Coordinator (Jeremy Chamberlain): Jeremy will speak with Rodger about some questions concerning exhibitor contacts.
  - 3) Scholarship Committee (Angie Gum): Members are encouraged to nominate deserving students for scholarships. Michael Caparula will reach out to membership with a reminder. After serving on this committee for over 20 years, Angie has asked that someone new to take over as chair.
  - 4) Awards Committee (Deanna Welsh): We need to reach out to membership to call for nominations for awards and scholarships.
  - 5) Membership Committee (Chris Riola): Chris reported on membership numbers. He will reach out again to current and past members who haven't yet registered with the new website to encourage registration. We had extended membership to August 31<sup>st</sup> this year. There was some discussion about how Chris would reach out to life members who haven't yet registered.
  - 6) Nominations and Elections Committee (Dan Kernler): Dan is in charge of recruiting members to run for board and for officer positions. Michael Caparula shared his process for finding

nominees last year which included personal contact, website posting, and membership email. He believes there should be a more formal way to seek nominees in a more equitable way. Dan suggested we start recruiting earlier and include Facebook postings. Chris Riola suggested more emails be sent which would include the nomination form that can be filled and submitted. Board members whose terms are ending would still need to go through the same nomination process as potential new board members, if they are interested in continuing on the board. Details of the duties of a board member will be added to the nomination form so that potential new members will know exactly what is expected. A decision was made to give the option for board members to attend future fall meetings either in person or remotely to help alleviate travel difficulties, especially for those who live in more remote parts of the state.

7) Legislative Committee (Michael Caparula): The Senate Joint Resolution 41 Advisory Council Final Report was delivered at the end of June. The purpose of the report was to show that colleges and universities in Illinois are scaling progressive efforts in both placement procedures and developmental education pathways. Thanks to Diane Koenig for serving as the IMACC representative on this advisory council.

8) Conference Coordinator (Rodger Hergert): The 2021 conference is scheduled for April 8-10. Discussion was held about whether to plan an in-person 2021 conference or to move toward plans for a virtual conference. After most board members present indicated that their schools have already announced fully online instruction for spring, it became clear after more discussion that we should plan on a virtual spring conference. Kim Martin motioned to move the spring conference to a virtual format. Mike McLure seconded. Discussion was held regarding scheduling the sessions over several dates rather than the usual Thursday-Friday format.

**A vote was called and the motion carried.**

A decision on conference fees and other plans will be made later. Michael will form a planning committee to help with the virtual conference.

9) Program Committee (Mike Caparula): Mike plans an “Equity” theme for the spring conference. He has three speakers lined up so far—Alan Zollman, Helen Burn and Maria Anderson.

10) Communications (Jeremy Chamberlain): There was some discussion about scam emails being sent under the name of Michael Caparula. Jeremy discussed different topics that would be published in upcoming editions of the newsletter.

11) Historian (Rodger Hergert): No report

12) Webmaster (Christopher Cunningham): The biggest project was putting together the “IMACC Resources for Online Learning” page based on resources collected by Amy Frankel, Abby Bailey, and a survey of IMACC members put together by Dan Kernler. Chris is maintaining and updating the Google Doc of instructions that Dan put together so that future webmasters also have an easy time transitioning into the role.

13) Curriculum Committee (Keven Hansen): Standards updates for pre-calculus courses is underway. Two changes to the Mathematics for Elementary Teachers sequence, addressing when the geometry prerequisite is implemented and the use of basic skills assessments, will need to be voted on by IMACC and ISMAA membership. The IAI gen-ed math panel made slight revisions to M1901 and we

will need to get this implemented into the articulation guide. Concerns continue about how minimum instructor requirements are interpreted for dual credit instruction under the new amendment. The status of the SJR 41 report is unknown at present but there are concerns about the “attacks” on the placement processes that have occurred during the pandemic. There has been frustration that Transitional Math STEM materials promised by the state are not forthcoming. Greg Wheaton, Bob Wachtel, and Keven Hansen will begin a process to assemble good project-based learning options for this course. They welcome suggestions.

Kim McHale announced that Heartland and some partners have recently completed an entire package for a TM-STEM course and plan to make it available for anyone to use free of charge.

There have been concerns regarding useful feedback from and the make-up of the TM portability panel. Some are questioning the presence on the panel of individuals with a “market interest” in the success or failure of courses put to the panel.

After serving many years as chair of the Curriculum Committee, Keven asks that someone new take over as chair.

14) AMATYC Hospitality Room: Mike Caparula will reach out to see if our usual \$250 donation is sought by AMATYC this year and we will vote on this later through email if needed.

#### V. Old Business

1) October 2<sup>nd</sup> 1-Day Conference: It was decided to plan several virtual sessions at different times and dates (later than October 2<sup>nd</sup>) on main topics of interest including making instructional videos, different aspects of online teaching, etc. Michael Caparula will continue planning.

2) IMACC Brochures: No news

3) Facebook: The IMACC Facebook page hasn’t had posts lately, but several are upcoming regarding our October virtual professional development sessions mentioned in (1) and plans for spring.

4) Online/remote learning resources:

5) Elections Process

#### VI. New Business

1) Enrollment status (Chris Riola): Chris asked if other schools have had steep declines in Developmental Math enrollment like his school (Moraine Valley). Several members reported that their schools also had significant declines in developmental math enrollment and an increase in courses like gen-ed Stats. Members are encouraged to collect data about how students are doing in the gateway transfer math courses so that problems with unproctored placement might be identified.

2) AMATYC Delegates (Michael): Michael Caparula, Mike Carlson, Kim McHale, Mike McClure and Natalie McGathey are the five AMATYC delegates who will attend the AMATYC virtual delegate assembly on November 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:00pm.

3) Other: none

4) Next meeting: TBD

**Mike McClure made a motion to adjourn. Dawn Peterson seconded. Motion Carried. Meeting was adjourned at 12:23 pm.**