

IMACC Board Meeting
Minutes
Via Zoom
Thursday, April 8, 2021



Present:

Officers: **Michael Caparula**—President, **Natalie McGathey**—Treasurer, **Dan Kernler**—President Elect, **Amy Frankel** – Secretary

Board Members: **Chris Appuhn, Dawn Peterson, Jeremy Chamberlain, Kim McHale, Michael McClure, Kim Martin, Jeremy McClure, Laurel Cutright, Abigail Bailey**

Absent: **Diane Koenig**

Guests: **Chris Riola, Keven Hansen, Angie Gum-Miller, Rodger Hergert**

- I. Call to order: **President Mike Caparula called meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.**
- II. Introductions and welcome to guests: Mike Caparula welcomed the attendees and guests.
- III. September Board Meeting Minutes: **Stand approved as read.**
- IV. Reports
 - 1) Treasurer's report (Natalie McGathey): Not much activity over the past year. Scholarship fund did not have much income due to the changes to the conference. Did have money paid out in scholarships this year. General fund did not have a lot of activity. Membership dollars are down and will be again this year due to the free memberships for this year. One thing to watch is the institutional membership dues which are way down. Mike Caparula asked us to talk to our institutions to try to get the memberships in. Kim Martin has asked for help with talking points to use with administrators to convince them to pay institutional membership. Chris Riola has volunteered to reach out to institutions as well. There was a large \$1000 scholarship donation. There were some fees for changes to the web site, but well within the budget. **Treasurer's report approved as read.**
 - 2) Budget report (Natalie McGathey): New budget went through the budget committee and approved. No changes have been made to next year's budget from the last budget since there was very little money coming in and going out this past year. Discussion was had about predicted fee for Allerton for next year. That fee is locked in for a few more years. Recommended budget is approved to present to the full membership at the business meeting.
 - 3) Publisher/Exhibitor Coordinator (Jeremy Chamberlain): Mike Caparula shared that McGraw Hill and Hawkes Learning are doing sessions at virtual IMACC, and McGraw Hill donated two \$100 Amazon gift cards to the scholarship raffle.
 - 4) Scholarship Committee (Angie Gum-Miller): One outstanding nomination this year from Dan Kernler for an Elgin CC student who started at Elgin at 14 years of age. Is currently at Aurora University and wants to be a HS math teacher and open her own school. Committee approved the full

scholarship amount. Announcement will be made at the business meeting. Dan Kernler has invited the VP from Elgin to attend the announcement of the scholarship at the business meeting.

5) Awards Committee (Deanna Welsh): Mike Caparula is waiting to get the names of the recipients from Deanna. They will be announced at the business meeting. Mike will reach out to them and see if they can attend.

6) Membership Committee (Chris Riola): 103 lifetime members with some who have not registered with the web site but we have contact info and there are others where we have neither. 133 active members with 38 “free” memberships via conference registration. All other active members were given an additional year of membership for free. Chris will monitor memberships up through 1pm tomorrow before the start of the conference to see if there are additional memberships. Natalie reported that there are 6 current institutional memberships and 11 that expired 6/30/2020. Discussions took place regarding some of the free memberships ending up getting essentially 2 free years since conference registrations in April 2021 provide membership until after the next conference (can register at member rate without renewing), and with regard to these members voting. It was determined that neither issue is serious enough to be concerned about.

7) Nominations and Elections Committee (Dan Kernler): 48 votes which is less than last year which was about 70. One contested election. Ran smoothly using the new site/service. Laurel Cutright is President-Elect, Amy Frankel re-elected as secretary, Natalie McGathey re-elected as Treasurer, Ellen Field, Joe Dethrow and Tony Paris are new board members.

8) Legislative Committee (Michael Caparula): (see submitted report) HB2170 – Education and workforce equity act, signed in early March. Pushed through during lame duck session. Good stuff for K-12, but some not so good stuff for CC. Witness slips were submitted. Proponents were mostly K-12 and opposed were mostly community college and university. Interested to see if this affects college algebra. Really concerning to community college faculty and administrators: “maximum possibility of getting a student into a college level math and English course within 2 semesters”. Not heard that ICCB has reached out to any community college administrators so far. Several concerns were brought up about this bill that need to be addressed by ICCB. Mike Caparula thanked Jeremy McClure who keeps Mike up to date on these matters, and Keven Hansen and Brian Mercer. Chris Appuhn asked about bills regarding dual credit. Mike Caparula encouraged Chris to ask the question at tomorrow’s meeting with ICCB.

9) Program Committee (Michael Caparula): Ready to go for tomorrow with Dan Kernler’s help. All links will be live tomorrow. Chris Cunningham will also be helping. Chris Riola’s email will be placed “outside” of the conference on the web site for help getting registered and getting access, and Dan’s email will be “inside” the conference on the web site for tech help during the conference. Each keynote speaker fee is \$500 for a total of \$1000. Natalie will mail out the fees. There has been a small charge from Nick for changes needed to the web site to accommodate the conference activity. Presidents are arranged for all the sessions that asked for one. Dan Kernler will be administering (Zoom host) the business meeting while Mike Caparula presides over the meeting. Mike asked that the link for the scholarship raffle be posted to Facebook and posted prominently on the website, and that presenters also put up the link at the beginning of their sessions. Diane Koenig and Natalie McGathey are working together on the raffle. Mike Caparula went to Allerton and created a video to show to open the conference, and it includes an announcement about the raffle. All sessions are being recorded and will

be uploaded to a YouTube page after the conference is over. MC thanked the committee for their help. Our Zoom license is only up to 300, so it will be interesting to see if we hit that limit.

10) Conference Coordinator (Rodger Hergert): Has had an easy year. Dates for future conferences: April 7- 9, 2022 and March 30-April 1, 2023. In 2024 Easter is March 31st, so it looks like the conf will be one of the next 2 weekends. Only concerns are UIUC activities/events, ISMAA and ICTCM. Usually the Presidents (past, current, elect), Treasurer, Conference Coordinator and Allerton discuss the next dates during IMACC. This year it can be done over email once the non-IMACC events of concern are investigated.

11) Communications (Jeremy Chamberlain): A Fall Connexions did go out, but a winter one has not. Only 1 issue has gone out in the last year. Jeremy would like to find a new chair for the communications committee. What goes into the newsletter: President's message, along with important news, legislative updates, new hires and/or open positions, a spotlight column, conference news. Jeremy will ask for a volunteer from the committee and at the business meeting next week. Mike Caparula will send an email out ahead of the business meeting to get folks thinking about it. Jeremy should be able to get out this next issue before stepping down. Mike Caparula offered his assistance in getting the next newsletter out.

12) Historian (Rodger Hergert): Nothing to report.

13) Webmaster (Christopher Cunningham): Other than conference activity on the site, there isn't much else to report. Dan Kernler is very happy with Nick and his work related to the changes and updates needed on the site to run the conference. Mike Caparula recognized all the folks involved in getting the web site ready for the conference.

14) Curriculum Committee (Keven Hansen): Minimum placement requirements have been lowered at at least one institution in order to maximize number of students placed into college level, in order to meet the new legislated requirements. Recommendations for the articulation guide are being worked on for college algebra and will be discussed at the next Curriculum Committee meeting. ISMAA already had their conference and have not put forward any curriculum changes for Math for Elementary Teachers sequence. We probably don't need to either right now. Keven is ready to step down as chair and is looking for someone interested in taking on the role of chair. He will bring this up at the business meeting. Abby Bailey asked for the results of the survey – particularly what universities reported. Keven said he will share at the next Curriculum Committee meeting.

V. Old Business

1) IMACC Brochures: MC – will work on this when he is Past-President and would like help from Chris Riola to work with Diane Koenig.

2) Fall One day Conference: There had been a plan to do a 1 day conference in October. Ended up being 3 webinars: Department chairs, using technology, and assessment. There were about 30-35 signed up with 15-20 who attended. Should this be something we continue doing? Dan K believes it is something worth doing for at least the next year or so. Will discuss more at next board meeting.

3) AMATYC Hospitality Room: Mike Caparula shared that the check was sent, but not cashed by AMATYC. It will roll-over to next year at Phoenix. Mike will confirm with AMATYC conference coordinator.

4) Enrollment Status: MC – enrollments are dipping, especially in developmental education perhaps due to self-proctored ALEKS placement test. Natalie reported also having some self-proctoring with ALEKS but are now back to appointments. Attendees shared placement testing situations happening at their institutions.

VI. New Business

1) Dates for future IMACC Meeting: Business meeting next Friday, April 16th. Discussions about when to hold next board meeting took place. Determined that due to work that needs to be done, Spring would be best. Amy Frankel will send Dan Kernler the Conflict of Interest forms to send out with the board meeting packet.

2) AMATYC in Phoenix: Mike Caparula stated that it is scheduled to be in-person during Halloween weekend, which is a little earlier than usual. Delegates will be discussed at the Spring board meeting.

3) Other: none

Laurel Cutright made a motion to adjourn. Dan Kernler seconded. Motion Carried. Meeting was adjourned at 3:38 pm.