

Waikato Mathematics Association

Committee Meeting Minutes

Venue: Hillcrest High School

Date: Tuesday 14th Feb 2006, 4.30 pm

Present: Ann Leach, Don Murray, Shaheed Basha, Mary Talbot, Colleen Nolan, Ruth Love, Sashi Sharma, Ian Hawthorne, Ingrid Rinsma, Lyn Brassington, Velma Murphy, Malcom Barr, Marcel Kuijpers, Debra Leong

Apologies: Kathy Paterson, Matej Benes, Sandy Christophersen, Joy Trimmer, Bethan Demalmanche

Inwards Correspondence:

1. ICT research from University Waikato
2. NZAMTt AGM Minutes
3. Priority Press Invoice.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: As read – moved and accepted by Chairperson

Matters Arising:

1. Waikato mathematics Certificate:
 - a. Ann Leach has taken and filled orders, sent out resources and invoiced schools.
 - b. Proposal: that the WMA look at closing the Waikato Maths Certificate Account and incorporate them into the WMA account. The separate account incurs running costs and there is little activity after start of year. Ann and Mary to look at this. Proposal supported by committee.

Treasurers report: - Mary (copy to be attached)

1. Treasurer's report be accepted: Moved Mary/seconded Colleen, carried.
2. Payments be ratified: Moved Mary/seconded Lyn, Carried.

Professional Development: By Velma, apologies by Bethan.

Plan for 2006:

Term 1: sessions from those who gained conference grants for 2005 NZAMT Conference, on 16th March, 4.30pm Diocesan School for Girls.

Bethan to make contact soon

Term 2 and 3: to be discussed and confirmed later

Term 4: The Numeracy Project.

Other Business:

1. NZAMT Council Meeting: Mary Talbot:
 - a. Bevan Werry speaker 2005: Gillian Heald. NZAMT will pay travel but not accommodation. Biography on NZAMT website.
 - b. HOD/HOF days: Other regions have these, paid for by MOE. Reporting back by many regions showed value and variation. Mary has contacts if interested in pursuing for WMA.

- c. MAP1 and Development Band material: great resource but need to be marketed and updated. Jan wants some help. Anyone interested to contact Jan on jan.wallace.xtra.co.nz.
 - d. There have been amendments to the constitution. Needs discussion and see website.
 - e. Writing resources week in Jan, went well.
 - f. TKI is to upgrade Level 3 internals, and intends to make it a secure site??
 - g. CAS Professional Development: MOE willing to pay for this – Bethan?
 - h. New Curriculum information on NZAMT website – up for discussion.
 - i. Mary found she was warmly welcomed at Council and found it VERY informative.
2. Vice President position: Currently vacant.
Assistant for Waimaths Competition: Vacant position needing to be filled.
 - expressions of interest to Ann Leach ASAP. aleach @hillcrest-high.school.nz
3. Moderating Internal for smaller schools: Some schools are finding themselves isolated because of small numbers of experienced staff at writing assessments.
 If schools are in this situation and would like the WMA assist in finding a solution eg: buddy schools, then they should email the WMA secretary: Matej. Matej to email or post out ensuring all school in region are contacted, to find out the level of interest.
4. Level 4 Scholarship days for Calculus and Statistics:
- a. A working party formed to draft up a proposal. Working party to meet at the PD session at Diocesan, 16 March 2006.
 - b. Committee suggested workshops for candidates (with some accompanying teachers) for a Term 1/ early term 2 and end term 2 session. (The Univ. Of Waik. most probably will run something in Aug/Sept Holidays).
 - c. Working party: Ian Hawthorn, Ingrid Rinsma, possibly Jim Hogan (maths advisor) plus one other teacher- Volunteers????? Please contact Ann or Ingrid at Hillcrest High
 - d. Matej to find out numbers of students that might be interested via email/post to schools for meeting at Dio.
5. Y9 and Y10 Enrichment camps- discussion ensued. Concern expressed about WMA spending on students compared with teacher PD. To be left on table until next committee meeting.
6. WMA website: Domain name needs to be renewed by 20th Feb.

Meeting closed: 5 57pm