

2014-2015 SWSC Mathletes Fall meeting
8/26/14 @ Lincoln-Way West

Attendance as reported on the sign-in sheet:

Andrew	Eric Johnson
Bolingbrook	
Bradley-Bourbonnais	Mark Hampton
Homewood-Flossmoor	Michael Sacks
Joliet Central	
Joliet West	Dan Spradley
Lincoln-Way Central	Ashley Scheffer
Lincoln-Way East	Brian Mulford
Lincoln-Way North	Jenny Reusz
Lincoln-Way West	Holly Misener, Tim Barry
Lockport	Carin Cooper
Sandburg	Dan Olson, Ed Ronquillo
Stagg	Mark Lyons
Thornridge	Dan Biesiada, Erin Arrowood
Thornwood	Christine Woods
Statistician	Ricky Perez
SWSC representative	Ian MacLeod

SWSC Mathletes
August 26, 2014
Lincoln-Way West High School
SIGN-IN SHEET

School	Head Coach (only sign in if present)	Assistant Coaches (only sign in if present)
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*President (Bradley-Bourbonnais) calls meeting to order at 4:30

*Introduction of new coaches and secretary

Review of Spring (February) minutes:

- Motion to approve with no amendments by Thorton. Seconded by Stagg. None opposed.

SWSC report (Ian MacLeod):

- Thanked coaches for flexibility without Mega meeting. Mentioned there may be a similar format in the spring with the intention of continuing to improve the format.
- Commended mathletes on organization of meetings.
- Ian MacLeod received updated SWSC mathletes contact list provided by Eric Johnson. This list was updated and verified by all coaches except for a few exceptions at an earlier time.
- Passed out SWSC agenda. Called attention to activity link on SWSC website for mathletes. There is no need at this time to update that website.
- Mentioned that any changes in by-laws, etc. are to be addressed at spring meeting.
- Asked if there were any questions about competitions, times, dates, location. There were none.
- There was a discussion about cancellation policy. Manual has procedure. Andrew proposed to add texting to cancellation policy (Remind101). Ian MacLeod made a request to keep him in the loop when cancellations do take place in order to best organize all schools.
- There was a question regarding single school missing competition due to weather. No policy changes were made

- Compliments were made to mathletes about keeping within the budget

Coaches directory:

- Checked and approved

Host schedules submitted:

- Confirmed

Statistician report (Ricky Perez):

- Orals have been distributed
- Folders for the 1st competition are ready to go and to be taken today
- Webmaster will post schedule for who will get what folders for future competitions

Question writer report:

- Reviewed PROPOSED written restrictions 2015-2016. Thornton proposed change to wording for clarification on functions limits Comp A SWSC II and IV “Rationalize denominators in answer to the limits”. Waiting until the spring to discuss taxicab geometry change. Thornton made a motion to approve with language clarification. Lincoln-Way East seconded.
- Discussion on revising question cycles due to CCSS or Integrated Math. Comments such as the following were heard:
 - o A change is not necessary because each topic is covered in each year of instruction.
 - o Factoring would be a hotspot for discussion regarding the coincidence of integrated math curriculum and mathletes competitions
 - o Possibility of moving competitions away from topic based
 - o Concern that change in format would cause more confusion and scrambling similar to which is experienced when preparing for regionals and state
 - o Desire expressed for a larger plan or committee in place before changing format
 - o Concern about finding people who are willing to write questions with proposed changes
 - o Open discussion for any topics to be moved within grade level to different cycle year in order to balance new material and enrichment topics. Specifically mentioned sophomore topics in year 2 rotation of matrices/determinants and truth tables.
 - o Discussion regarding the goal of mathletes for enrichment or exposure to new material
- Vote to keep topic cycle as it currently exists exception for possible horizontal movements in order to “balance” new material and enrichment topics in a given year. 13 yes, 1 abstained.
- Motion for committee to make recommendations for horizontal movement to “balance” new material and enrichment topics. Committee is to present recommendations at spring meeting based on a survey to be created accounting for all coaches input on topics. Thornton made a motion for approval. HF seconded. In vote for the committee 10 were in favor, 0 opposed, and 2 abstained.
- Those interested in becoming part of committee are welcome to join. Current appointments: Thornton (Chair), HF, Lockport

Other business:

- HF expressed concern that if SWSC V is moved to the alternate date due to weather, etc, HF will need assistance because of a conflict with Scholastic bowl competition.

Motion to adjourn at 5:25: LWW moved, LWE seconded.