

Spring Coaches Meeting—SWSC Mathletes
February 21, 2017
Lincoln Way West High School

1. Call to Order/Attendance
 - a. 4:20 PM—All schools represented except for Bradley.
2. SWSC Business- Ian McLeod
 - a. Leadership for next year: TR is President, TT is secretary.
 - b. No bylaws changes; only the contest manual was changed in reference to cell phone policy.
 - c. Extra ribbons/medals will be distributed after the meeting through Ian McLeod
 - d. Budget handed from Rickie to McLeod. Rickie needs a new tax free letter!
3. Officer Rotation—Completed
4. Webmaster's Report
 - a. Let's consider using tally sheets at the competitions—lack of use of tally sheets led to errors
 - b. Host Schedules—due one week before the Fall Meeting
5. General
 - a. Make sure that judges/people running contests are meticulous, especially in Contest 5 (Conference SWSC). Consider having extra people around to assist with running, data entry, etc.
 - b. **Judges Meeting:** Be more precise with the judges meeting—remind judges of the importance of grading carefully and following procedures. **IN FUTURE CONTESTS: Judges meeting will begin 30 minutes prior to the start time of the first written competition.** (Thornton motioned, Thornridge seconded, motion passes.)
 - c. Add to Judge's Meeting Script:
 - i. Contests should begin precisely at the time indicated; begin reading instructions ahead of time.
 - ii. Be very clear—what should happen before, during, and after the round.
 - d. Thornridge will modify the Written and Oral Judges Script and send to all coaches for email thread

refinements; goal is to have this completed for the Fall 2017 Meeting.

e. Oral Judges Meeting Script:

- i. Be clear on instructions for timers—timers should be in a place where judges, oralists can see timing signs.

6. Amend/Approval of Minutes from Fall Meeting 2016

- a. Motioned by LWW, seconded by TT, no dissent

7. Master Schedule

- a. HF moves to approve the tentative 2017-2018 contest schedule, seconded by Thornton. APPROVED.
- b. At Fall Meeting 2017, we will discuss the philosophy for scheduling future competitions (ie Bradley).

8. Host Schedules: Due 1 week prior to the fall meeting.

- a. Date for Fall Meeting: Tuesday, August 29th, 2017 at Andrew High School, 4:15 PM

9. Statistician's Report:

- a. (banter about dots and MathType; nothing noteworthy)

10. Question Writer: Conic Sections

- a. Conic Sections will replace Functions in 2018/2019.
- b. Jim suggested for first round to be Chapter 4/6 (Circles/Ellipses), second round to be Chapters 5/7 (Parabola/Hyperbola). WE WILL KEEP THIS ORDER.
- c. Suggested Reference—Schaum's Outline Series: Analytic Geometry. Eric will post this resource on the website.
- d. Should a calculator be allowed for the Conic Sections Oral? Agreement to ask Jim for input, and discuss again at the Fall Meeting.

11. OTHER

- a. Who is writing questions after Jim leaves? Jeff Noble from Crete-Monee is considering writing questions. Mike Osbourne writes question for another conference (Tinley Park, etc.)
- b. Who is replacing Rickie? Something to consider for the future. Let's discuss these things next meeting.

Adjournment: Motioned by TT, seconded by Lockport.

Approved! Meeting adjourned at 5:31 PM.