General Meeting of Board of Directors, June 11, 2005

Approval of agenda
Moved by Bill Otto , seconded by Jacqueline Hill that "the amended agenda be approved". carried

Approval of Minutes , Feb 4&5, 2005
Moved by Dan Charbonneau , seconded by Bill Otto that "the minutes of the Feb 4/5, 2005 board meeting be approved". carried

Leadership 2005 Report: Sue Hessey reported for Gord Cooke that profits were around $10, 000. A powerpoint of activities was presented.

Financial Picture May 19, 2005: Dave Hessey presented the current financial picture and balance sheet
Moved by Lynda Ferneyhough , seconded by Fred Ferneyhough that "the financial picture be approved". Carried

Motions: 1. **Moved** by Dan Charbonneau, seconded by Mary Bourassa that "the Board of Directors ratify the selection of MAC2 to host OAME 2007". carried

2.**Moved** by Barb Vukets , seconded by Lyn Vause that "the Board of Directors ratify the selection of SAME to host OMO 2006". carried

3. **Moved** by Bill Otto, seconded by Joanne Anas that " Bylaw 6 **Chapters in Good Standing** be amended to read and be implemented by Nov 30, 2005
1. A chapter is deemed to be "in good standing" when
(a) a copy of the chapter's annual report is submitted to the Executive Committee, through the Executive Director by November 30 of each year which includes;
(i) a slate of officers **(where all officers are and will remain members of OAME/AOEM during the entire term of their office)**
(ii) the name of the OAME/AOEM Chapter Representative **who is and will remain a member of OAME/AOEM during the entire term of their office**
(iii) a current financial statement
(iv) a brief summary of the Chapter's past year's events; and
(b) it is recommended by the Executive Committee and approved by the membership at the OAME/AOEM Annual General Meeting." carried

4. **The following motion was discussed and tabled:** Suggestions for changing the wording around # 6 and 7 in By-law 21 were discussed.
Moved by Andrew Morrison, seconded by Lyn Vause that the "motion be tabled" carried.
that " the Terms of Reference and Bylaw 21 for **Annual Conference** be amended to read:
TERMS OF REFERENCE: Annual Conference
1. Application
(a) The sponsoring organization shall submit an application to the Executive Committee which shall include:
(i) the name of the sponsoring chapter or group or individual.
(ii) the proposed dates.
(iii) the chair(s).
(iv) the location and a letter of confirmation re location.
(**v**) the general name of the Conference which shall be "The -_____ Annual Conference of OAME/AOEM" in which the year that the conference is held is inserted in the blank.

(b) The sponsoring organization shall submit a detailed budget to the Executive Committee, using the financial template provided by OAME/AOEM, at least 13 months before the conference.

By-Law 21 Annual Conference

1. An OAME/AOEM Annual Conference shall be held each year in the second week of May or at another time approved by the Board of Directors.
2. The OAME/AOEM Annual General Meeting shall be held in conjunction with the Annual Conference. In years when an NCTM Annual Regional is held in Ontario, an OAME/AOEM Annual General Meeting may be held in conjunction with it.
3. Any chapter or any individual or group of individuals may submit a**n application** to host an annual conference.
4. Applications should be submitted at least two and a half years in advance to the Executive Committee as outlined in the Terms of Reference for Conferences.
5. The final decision relating to location and sponsor shall be made by the Executive Committee and ratified by the Board of Directors no later than two years in advance where possible.
6. **If a net loss is incurred in conducting the OAME/AOEM Annual Conference, OAME/AOEM will bear that loss unless:**

(a) the budget using the OAME/AOEM financial template was not received by OAME/AOEM at least thirteen months before the conference date, and/or

(b) the Conference Committee was negligent in the performance of their duties.

7. **Acts of negligence may include but are not restricted to, the misappropriation of funds, the careless handling of funds, or careless business practices**.
8. The organizing committee shall be known as the . . . . Annual Conference Planning Committee, the year of the conference being inserted at the beginning of the committee name. This Committee shall be responsible for acting in accordance with the policies in this By-Law, the Terms of Reference, and the Guidelines for Annual Conferences and be members in good standing of OAME. (revised, March 18, 2002)
9. Within two years of the conference date, the Annual Conference Planning Committee

a) may be advanced $2000 by the Executive Director after the Annual Conference Planning Committee has submitted a request which includes:

1) the list of signing officers
2) the details of the opening of a bank account
3) a detailed budget using the OAME/AOEM financial template;

b) may be advanced an additional $3000 by the Executive Director upon receipt of a written request which includes a detailed accounting of the disbursement of the initial $2000 loan, **using the OAME/AOEM financial template**;

c) may be advanced a maximum of $5000 in additional funds upon approval by the OAME/AOEM Executive Committee of a written request which provides a detailed accounting of the disbursement of the initial funds, **using the OAME/AOEM financial template,** and an itemized plan justifying the need for the additional funds.

10. Any monies advanced to an Annual Conference Planning Committee by OAME/AOEM are repayable within 30 days of the final day of the conference concerned.
11. During the year following the OAME/AOEM Annual Conference, an interim financial statement shall be presented at the first Executive and the first meeting of the Board. A final financial statement, accompanied by the monies payable to OAME/AOEM shall be presented at the second meeting of the Board**. This final financial statement, using the OAME/AOEM financial template, shall include a comparison of actual results against the original budget with explanations for discrepancies.**
12. **OAME/AOEM reserves the right to have the financial statements of the hosting committee audited.**
13. All ledgers shall be closed one year after the last day of the previous Annual Conference." carried

5. **Moved** by Jack Weiner, seconded by Barb Vukets that " O.A.M.E., beginning in January, 2006, will

provide $250 in funding for The Kenneth D. Fryer Award, matching the Grand Valley Mathematics Association (G.V.M.A.) annual funding of $250 for the KENNETH D. FRYER AWARD. This will bring the cash value of the award to $500. O.A.M.E will continue to provide the plaque presented to the winning department." carried

6. **Moved** by Kathy Kubota-Zarivnij, seconded by Dan Charbonneau that " a chapter project grant of $3000 be granted to NWOAME on condition that the grant be repaid to OAME if the NWOAME project is either cancelled or postponed past June 30, 2006." carried.

Questions from Members to Authors of Written Reports (See reports below)
NCTM: John Kersley paid back the $400 NCTM loan. He started with about $3000 in cash and inventory and now has $about $4100 in cash and inventory.

Written Reports

Ministry of Education: Gord Cooke reported that funding for Think Literacy, Phase 2, grades 10-12 will be available. The training model will be the same as in the past. Work begins this summer to be ready for Fall 2006. Proposals are due by mid-June with training in July. The money is the same as phase 1.

NCTM Delegate Assembly Report: Bev Farahani reported that she was the OAME representative to the NCTM delegate assembly. Three things are of interest. It appears that if OAME collects fees for NCTM then we will get a rebate from them. NCTM has a special rate for K-8 institution memberships for $135 US, Finally Marg Warren would like to know if OAME would be willing to help host a summer Leadership conference in conjunction with NCTM in the summer of 2006.

Ministry of Education / Faculties of Education Forum 2005 Report: Pat Margerm reported that
this forum is an annual event that is held in May. This year the focus of the forum was to provide opportunity for:
• The Ministry of Education to provide an update to faculty staff on ministry initiatives and policies;
• Faculty of Education participants to get clarification about the implementation of ministry initiatives;
• Faculties of Education to share innovative and successful practices with participants;
• Inter-faculty dialogue;
• Faculty to network with ministry and subject association representatives.
The guest speaker on the first day was Dr. Alan King from Queen's University, whose address was entitled, "Student Progress in Ontario Secondary Schools: Curriculum and Achievement Issues." He presented data such as the comparison of mark distribution of grade 9 students in English and Mathematics. He also presented data obtained from samples of high schools that compared the possible courses to those that are actually offered.
Participants attend "Information and Sharing Innovative and Successful Practices" sessions such as Sustaining Quality Curriculum presented by Denis McGowan and Anne Yeager, "National and International Test Results" presented by Sylvia Larter, and Excellence for All: What Do the Reports of the Expert Panels Tell Us About Teaching and Learning K-6? presented by Mary Lou Kestell and Judith Taylor as well as subject based sessions. The group that met to discuss mathematics identified concerns that were categorized into the following topics: content knowledge of mathematics, professional associations, and pedagogy in preservice programs. There was some discussion about the role of OAME as a liaison and the role of the math subject associations in other provinces.
Finally, Dr. Avis Glaze, the Chief Executive Officer of the Literacy/Numeracy Secretariat, shared information about the Secretariat and invited input on draft materials.

NCTM Report: John Kersley reported that the OAME May conference, "Nexus" was very successful total sales was $1489.55. The total sales for the year was $3253.49. The OAME was given $400 to pay back the start up loan from the June 2004 board of directors' meeting with thanks. NCTM is expanding its

affiliate rebate program. In addition to $5 rebate for new memberships (3 last year) NCTM is offering $3 rebate for memberships renewals and$5 rebate for K-8 school memberships in affiliates region. Some conditions apply. NCTM is increasing its membership prices (about $5) effective June 1. Regional conferences coming up are Hartford Oct. 6-8, Birmingham Oct. 20-22 and Denver Nov. 10-12. New from NCTM---website TeachMath.org, a web site furnishing information on becoming a mathematics teacher. A detailed description of the six different NCTM memberships was given.

OMCA Report: Jacqueline Hill reported that the following was reported:
• MoE: a)Myrna Ingalls reported that
- 5 different PRISM projects going on in the province
- Ottawa data is being processed
- Writing teams for TIPS and note able strategies this summer
- CD's were distributed. Karen Hume was given 10 of each of the website stuff as well as the brain research materials. A third CD on building capacity was made available.
b) Jennifer Tourney and Peter Sovran reported that
- The Geometry and Spatial Sense document will be out soon
- The Pedagogy guide is coming our next year
- 4-6 Numbers sense and Numeration is in the works
- Summer work is being done on "guides to the guide"
•OAME – Kathy Kubota-Zarivnij
- brought forth the "GUM" project. She shared video clips as well as gave everyone in attendance the full package.
- Leadership this year will have a different vision. It will be k-12 mathematics around Complexity
•Secretariat – Pat
- concerns (Ruth Dawson) about unbalanced Numeracy and Literacy Committee
•EQAO – Sandy Dilena and Victoria (chief assessment officer)
- The grade 9 assessment will not have much change. They are planning to release some of what has been done
- They are not measuring the time… students can finish the question they are on
- A question was raised about not marking communication or manipulatives. The answer was that students should have access to manipulatives.
- with regards to grades 3 and 6 they will be releasing "common" material. What the students have written. How they have done. And they will release the multiple choice questions.
• THINK LITERACY – phase 2. A team has been put in place with Jacqueline Hill as the Lead Writer.
• Judy Dussiaume- Showed a "Using Math Manipulatives workshop in a bag"
• Constitution: Break up Secretary from Treasurer.
• Website: Jeff Catania gave a hand-out
• Executive: Treasurer – Mike Davis, Secretary – Joyce Tonner, Chair – Pat Milot
• Round table sharing:
- Irene McEvoy shared two books that give great PD. Gary Flewelling's third version of rich learning tasks, Connecting Mathematical Ideas by Heinamin and Jay Boler. It has good reflective questions.
- Mark shared the 3 technology workshops that are happening this summer.
- Pat Margem spoke on the Gap analysis in the newspaper
- Anthony Azzopardi spoke on the fact that the documents should be in teachers hands by the end of June.
- Greg Clarke mentioned TI-15 workshops for grades 7 – 9

Executive Directors Report: Dave and Sue Hessey reported that membership as of June 4, 2005 was1618. This number, includes 572 who have renewed/joined through OAME 2005 . New memberships will start with the Sept Gazette.
Chapters: Welcome to new chapter reps for GOLDEN, Laura Tonin, and WOMA, Ann Michele Stenning.
Publications: INVENTORY

Document	Last Print Order	Nov 18/03	Mar 8/04	Aug 31/04	Nov 15/04	May 17/05
LAIM PR 4000	514	461	371	314	300	234
LAIM MS 2000	2135	514	292	138	110	0

We asked CAPE to share in selling LAIM-PR and they purchased one box of 28 at cost to sell at Connect 2005. A complete inventory report was included.

Website: Tasso is still working with Greg on parts of the website and MCIS system that have bugs. People can now join OAME through the website, although a problem showed up last week that Tasso is investigating. We owe him $500.

Think Literacy Project: We requested 1680 copies for chapters, board members, Leadership 2005 and OAME 2005 delegates. In Feb we received a phone call and revised our number to 200 as we were told all schools will get one. We still have not received any copies.

OAME 2005: We sold over $1500 of OAME as well as Donald Mountain's math products, including 44 Literacy/Numeracy T-shirts and 12 decks of cards. Letters of thanks have been sent to the co-chairs. The conference has repaid their loan to OAME as well as the cost of the memberships.

OAME 2006: WOMA committee members job shadowed and maintained a booth at OAME 2005. They were very appreciative of all the suggestions given by OAME 2005 committee chairs. Keynotes will be Jack Weiner and Cathy Fosnot. Applications for workshop speakers are designed and were circulated at OAME 2005 and to OAME board members. The OAME 2006 website will soon be in operation.

OAME 2007: MAC2 are planning 2007. The application has been received . Place is Georgian College, Barrie, May3-5/07. Co-chairs are Lyn Vause and Joyce Smith. "OAME007-Math is No Mystery". Contracts will be signed, pending board approval.

OMO 2005 OMO 2005 was held in Sudbury at Laurentian University and Science North on June 3 and 4. About 24 teams have signed up. A grant of $5000 has been given to NOMA from OAME (Union Gas donation). A second grant from OTIP is in the offing.

OMO 2006: SAME is planning it at UoT(Scarborough Campus) on June 2/3. Chairs are Linda Edwards and Merilyn Fox. A budget and contract have been received.

UNION GAS: We have been told by Linda Cameron that we will receive a contribution of $15000 in Aug 2005 for use by OMO for 3 years, 2005-2007.

GUM: The Growing Up Mathematically Resource is now at DoubleQ printing. 1000 copies have been ordered. We have already received an order for 210. The printer will copy the CD, DVD, and PD guide and put all in a folder that will be shrink-wrapped. We expect boxes will hold about 35. We expect delivery in mid-June. A single copy will cost $25, with bulk orders over 50 costing $22 each.

CHAPTER REPORTS, JUNE 2005

CHAMP- Rep:Lynda Ferneyhough: lynda.ferneyhough@peelsb.com: We were very surprised to have to cancel our spring event due to lack of interest. The Elementary Schools' sanctions were on at the time. We thought we had hit upon a popular format with "Math Marketplace". We envisioned math teachers of all grades, (with various experience) sharing with and learning from one another. We had people lined up to share neat lesson plans, uses of technology, manipulatives demonstrations, magic and games, great math websites etc. Unfortunately, not enough registrants were signed up to take advantage of this FREE resource. We still think it is a great idea and will try again at our Fall event on Oct. 13, 2005. We were pleased to honour the CHAMP Contest winners on May 19, 2005.

COMA - Rep: Joanne Anas: Joanne_Anas@ocdsb.edu.on.ca . COMA hosted a spring forum for secondary teachers on "Computer Algebra Systems". Fred Ferneyhough lead an excellent hands-on session and attending COMA members received a resource book for CAS courtesy of COMA. The COMA Math Olympics held in April was a huge success with 53 teams participating from 4 boards. Two teams will advance to OMO 2005. The new executive elected was Mary Bourassa, Ron Gaudreau, Natasha Lamb, Cathy Hall, Beata Myhill, Joanne Anas and Judy Loschmann. Congratulations to Mary Bourassa who was re-elected as an OAME director. Special congratulations to Ron Gaudreau who received the Union Gas Award for Teaching Excellence (Secondary). Plans are under way for the November 19 mini-conference

at the University of Ottawa.

GOLDEN - Rep: lmtonin@yahoo.ca Our Brock mini-conference "Mathematics: Just Do It" went smoothly. The presenters made their topics interesting and relevant to the participants. We look forward to having even more people attend next year. In addition, we would like to send our best wishes to Rick Sacks and congratulate him on his retirement. He will be missed (yet hopefully stay a member of OAME).

GVMA - Rep: Barb Vukets:barb_vukets@wrdsb.on.ca GVMA will be holding a Fall Conference on Thursday, October 20, 2005. The evening is divided into 3 parts. There will be two hour-long sessions where participants can choose to hear speakers on a variety of topics of interest to teachers from Grades 4 – 12. Then, all participants are treated to a dinner with some entertaining dinner-time math and a guest speaker. All this for the low price of $35! We are working hard to promote our conference particularly to elementary teachers. The Publications Committee has produced a poster for classroom use relating to improving achievement in mathematics. The posters will be available to purchase at the fall Conference.

ISOMA - Rep: Chris Kirkpatrick: ckirkpatrick@cogeco.ca NO REPORT

MAC^2 - Rep: Andrew Morrison: amorrison@sha.scdsb.on.ca MAC^2 held a very successful mini-conference in april at St Peter's SS. after a motivational keynote from Jim Enwright, 124 elementary and secondary teachers had a choice of 5 different workshops to attend. MAC^2 will be conducting an online participant survey to help plan for the fall mini-conference. We are continuing to prepare for hosting OAME2007. Many committee members attended OAME2005 to gather ideas. One MAC^2 team will attend OMO2005. The coach and team from Huronia Centennial in Elmvale are looking forward to this experience.

NOMA - Rep: Sue Melville: melvils@rainbow.edu.on.ca . NOMA hosted a very successful provincial OMO2005 on June 3 and 4 in Sudbury at Science North and Laurentian University. A total of 110 students and 40 adult chaperones enjoyed fabulous weather over the 2 days. The organizing committee consisted of 25 volunteers from the Rainbow and Sudbury Catholic DSBs. NOMA will begin planning their annual fall conference with a meeting in June prior to the summer holidays.

NWOAME- Rep: Maribeth Williams: williams@tbaytel.net. Plans are being finalized for the Nov 17,18 conference "Strategies and Solutions for math Teachers". We are pleased to have attracted an excellent panel of out of town and local speakers with Anthony Azzopardi giving the keynote address. The NWOAME regional OMO playdowns continues to grow, requiring quotas on school registrations. 168 students enjoyed the Saturday morning event. NWOAME's informal dinner gathering with Ministry trainers Anthony Azzopardi and Anne Yeager included many interesting mathematical conversations.

PRMA- Rep: Sandra Jean Price: price_sandra@durham.edu.on.ca . PRMA hosted a very successful spring mini-conference in Peterborough in April. The theme was "The Same...But Different: Would Alex have passed with a different math teacher?" Plans are under way for a Fall mini-conference in October. Our PRMA annual meeting was well-attended in May. Gord Banks, a PRMA member was recognized with an award for his significant contributions to OAME and the chapter at OAME 2005. We are continuing to work on expending our membership.

QSLMA -Rep: Robert Sherk: sherkr@limestone.on.ca. This past term the QSLMA Chapter has promoted the OAME website and annual conference through the distribution of an electronic newsletter to all members and other interested people. We have co-sponsored a two day workshop on ESTAT and Fathom featuring Joel Yan and are sending a team from Rideau Centennial Public School to the provincial OMO. We have confirmed our new executive for the next school year and are beginning to plan our Fall mini-conference to be held in late October or early November.

SAME- Rep: Sumintra Koowar: sumintra.koowar@tel.tdsb.on.ca NO REPORT

SWOAME- Rep: David Petro: david_petro@wecdsb.on.ca. Several organizational meetings were held in the last few months. SWOAME is sending 3 teams for OMO 2005. Summer institutes are planned on GSP, Fathom, Tinkerplots and TI-83+.

TEAMS- Rep: Pat Margerm: pmargerm@edu.yorku.ca. TEAMS is reflecting on the experience of hosting the provincial conference at York University from May 12 -14, 2005. The theme of the conference, "Building Mathematical Connections, was realized through an extensive program of presenters who identified common experiences with teaching and learning mathematics both across the grades as well as across the country. Participants built mathematical connections while walking between buildings (how

much time is needed to travel from the TEL building to the Tait-Mackenzie building?), through the humour of the entertainment offered by Second City at the banquet, and through the opportunity to network and make connections with other participants, presenters, and publishers. What emerged from the conference was renewed energy and enthusiasm about teaching and learning mathematics.TEAMS teams will be participating in OMO in June. TEAMS will now have the challenge of planning strategies to continue the momentum gained through a larger membership.

WOMA - Rep: Ann Michele Stenning: michsten@enoreo.on.ca Our spring conference scheduled for April was cancelled due to low registration.WOMA is busy planning next year's conference for 2006: "Every 1 Counts" that will be held in London at Fanshawe College from May 11-13, 2006 with accommodation available on campus. More information can be obtained by going to www.math.uwo.ca/woma. As planned, our conference committee chairs for 2006 were able to job shadow many of the Nexus chairs. We appreciated their co-operation. Many Nexus delegates received a ruler advertising next year's conference at our booth. Registration and speaker forms were handed out as well as feedback collected from delegates. Monthly meetings for "Every 1 Counts" continue to provide updates on registration procedures, parking, advertising and entertainment. Keynote Speakers, Cathy Fosnot and Jack Weiner, have been confirmed and details of Friday's banquet are being finalized.

Y^{4}MA - Rep: Rosey Mastrofrancesco: roseym5@rogers.com. Y4MA is in the process of planning their fall conference on October 27th, 2005 at St. Augustine Catholic High School in Markham. The theme for this year's conference is "Manage Math, Tackle Technology". We have agreed to send some teams to the provincial OMO this June. We continue to look for ways to support our teams with costs and transportation arrangements.