Minutes of a meeting of the Board of Directors of OAME, held at the Holiday Inn Toronto International Airport, October 22, 23, 2010.

Attendance: **Present**: President David Zimmer, Past President Beverly Farahani, President-Elect Connie Quadrini, Vice President Bill Otto, Vice President Anne Yeager, Vice President Sonia Ellison, Beata Myhill, Laura Tonin, Carl Davey, Jennifer Gravel, Paul Szczokin, Cheryl Geoghegan, Alison Macaulay, Henry Santos, Debbie Drape, Paul Alves, Jan Crofoot, Sue Melville, Leonard Rak, Dwight Stead, Jung Choi Perkins, Pat Kehoe, SandraJean Price, Merilyn Fox, Tim Sibbald, Mary Bourassa, Cathy Hall, Ken Maheu, Susan Pitre, Robert Sherk, Silvana Simone, Greg Clarke, Marian Small, MaryLou Kestell. Laurie Moher, Urvi Shah, Shaun Knowles
Regrets: Tom Boland, Nick Chevalier, AnnMichele Stenning, Ada Cartaginese, Santina Fantetti, Marilyn Hurrell, Kyla Kadlec, Kathy Kubota Zarivnij.

Friday, October 22, 2010:

1. President's Welcome and Remarks: David Zimmer
    a. David Zimmer welcomed the board members to the meeting and the new year. Special welcome to the new members: Tim Sibbald, Len Rak & Carl Davey.
    b. In regards to directions for the year, David referred to several initiatives that are happening in Ontario, including an upcoming curriculum review.
2. Director updates, housekeeping: Lynda Ferneyhough outlined the procedure for submitting expenses.
3. Announcements and sharing
    a. NCTM: Laurie Moher reports that NCTM has just released another book in its high school series. A new series is being produced. Items can be produced from the online store and you have the option of purchasing a hard copy, a PDF copy or copies of separate chapters.
    b. OAME 2010: Laura Tonin reported on the recent (and very successful) annual conference at Brock University. A cheque for $48 019.86 was presented to OAME as our share of the profits.
    c. OAME 2011: Nicholas Chevalier was absent. The past, present and future OAME conference chairs met today in the Bennett Room.
    d. OMO 2010: Greg Clarke reported on the OMO 2010 event at the Orillia area in late May. The past, present and future OMO chairs met this afternoon in the suite.
    e. Presentations to chairs of OAME 2010 and OMO 2010: David Zimmer presented plaques to express our appreciation to the organizers of OAME 2010 and OMO 2010.
    f. Leadership (Fall) 2011: Connie Quadrini reported on the plans for the Fall 2011 Leadership Conference October 27, 28, 29. Historically, this conference was held in the fall and moved to February in 1999 to address the new curriculum. There will be two Leadership conferences in 2011 as we readjust to having the conference in the Fall.

g. OTF: Summer workshops: Beverly Farahani reported on the summer workshops. A written report on the Sudbury event was included in the packages. We do not have a report for the Thunder Bay event.
h. Leadership 2011: David Zimmer reports that we already have nine registrations for the February event. Leaders will be asked to address the Growing Success document in their presentations.
i. Curriculum Review: Beverly Farahani reported on the progress of the group that has been meeting to address the curriculum revisions.

2. Professional Learning Activity – Dwight Stead led the group through a quiz of OAME history done through the TI Nspire and TI Navigator. The Board was informed that there are packages of selected past Gazettes available for purchase.

Saturday, October 23, 2010

1. It was moved by Carl Davey, seconded by Pat Kehoe that "The proposed agenda be approved." Carried.
2. It was moved by Mary Bourassa, seconded by Silvana Simone that "The minutes of the June 2010 board meeting be approved." Carried.
3. Fred Ferneyhough presented the Financial Report for 2009-2010.
4. Fred Ferneyhough presented the proposed budget for 2010-2011 and addressed questions from the floor. Concerns were expressed about the deficit. It was moved by Bill Otto, seconded by Sonia Ellison that "the budget proposal for 2010-2011 be approved." Carried.
5. Moved by Bill Otto, seconded by Sonia Ellison that "OAME approve the Chapter grant request from NOMA". Carried.
6. Moved by Beverly Farahani, seconded by Connie Quadrini that "the Executive Directors honoraria be $24 000 per year". Carried.
7. Moved by Sonia Ellison, seconded by Bill Otto that "The percentage amount for Chapter rebates be 30% for full and retired members and 0% for student members." Carried
8. Moved by Sonia Ellison, seconded by Bill Otto that "The OAME terms of reference to be amended to reflect that an equity session need not take place as a breakfast but will take place during the OAME annual conference." The motion was tabled until later in the meeting. The motion was revised to "The OAME Terms of Reference to be amended to reflect that an Equity Session need not take place as a breakfast but will take place during the OAME Annual Conference.
    a. The Terms of Reference for the Mathematics Equity Committee item #2(a) will be replaced with: In cooperation with each Annual Conference Committee, plan and make all arrangements for a Featured Equity Session(s). These may include, but are not limited to, a speaker, panel, working group, workshop, breakfast, lunch & learn, etc. Carried
9. Written Reports: The following items were highlighted.
    a. President's Report – President David Zimmer addressed the printed report.
    b. Chapter Reports – there were only two included. It was suggested that there be a targeted "e-nag" in the future to remind reps that reports are due.
10. Committee of the Whole:

a. Communications Committee: Robert Sherk highlighted the following:
    i. Greg Clarke has set up one year access for Faculty of Education students to the Members' Only section of the website.
    ii. A promotions power point will be sent to the Executive for approval and be available for local chapters at their mini-conferences, sent to Faculty of Education students and posted on the website.
    iii. A 3D logo was displayed.
    iv. The Fortieth Anniversary Committee has a Facebook page. People are encouraged to submit comments, photos and any rememberances.
    v. Congratulations to Marion Small for successfully publishing her first edition of the Gazette. More reviewers are necessary. Paul Alves is coordinating the reviewers. All Board members are encouraged to review or find a reviewer for the Gazette.
    vi. Thanks to Mary Lou Ketstell and Kathy Kubota Zarivnij for their continued work on the Abacus.
    vii. An application will be sent to NCTM to nominate The Gazette for an award.
    viii. The committee talked about advertising rates for The Gazette. A proposal was made to charge the same price for two quarter page ads as for a half page ad. This will be taken to the Finance Committee. Discuss this at the tables.
    ix. An extensive "to-do" list was given to Greg. Greg demonstrated some new features of the website.
    x. The committee wanted the groups to discuss the possibility of an "ask the teacher" page on the website.
b. Outreach Committee – Cathy Hall presented the following for Outreach.
    i. Nominations for awards and board members are being accepted. Often, these nominations are left to the last moment and may arrive either incomplete or late. The committee asked us to consider two questions. What are the barriers to getting nominations forward? What suggestions do you have to break down those barriers?
    ii. The committee would like a pop up on the website to alert users to the opportunity to nominate people for awards.
    iii. Host chapters are needed for OMO for 2012 forward and for the Annual Conference from 2013 forward. They would like the 2013 Annual Conference to be held in the GTA.
    iv. Concerns have been expressed about boards who are preventing teachers from attending the Annual Conference. All Chapter Reps are encouraged to gather the policies from their area and forward to Lynda for collation.
    v. How can the Outreach Committee help local chapters?
    vi. Outreach is actively supporting the OAME 2011 organizers.
c. Curriculum Committee – Dwight Stead highlighted the following.

i. Three members of the committee helped with posting grade 7 and 8 materials to the OAME website.
ii. Dwight posed several questions pertaining to the upcoming curriculum revision for the tables to consider.

d. Strategic Planning and Renewal Committee – Bill Otto highlighted the items of the "Sparc" committee.
i. The Executive has taken over the evaluation of the new committee structure and Dwight Stead will be conducting a survey on TI Navigator late in the meeting to address this matter.
ii. Elaine Lamb has been secured as the Equity speaker for OAME 2011.
iii. The committee discussed an Equity page on the OAME website.
iv. The committee is addressing the practice of replacing board members who cannot complete their terms.
v. The committee is looking at aligning the OAME board year and our fiscal year. They are looking for feedback on this matter.

11. Survey - Dwight Stead used Navigator to conduct a survey on the new committee structure.
12. The committees reconvened to consider feedback from the table groups.
13. David Zimmer dismissed the group.

Committee minutes:

OAME Chapter Reps mtg
Oct 22nd , 2010

Present: Carl Davey (GVMA), Jennifer Gravel (ISOMA), Henry Santos (QSLMA), Debbie Drape (SAME), Alison Macaulay (PRMA), Laura Tonin (GOLDEN), Shaun Knowles (CHAMP), Santina Fantetti (TEAMS), Paul Szczokin (MAC2), Beata Myhill (COMA), Cheryl Geoghegan (NOMA), Greg Clarke (Webguy), Lynda Ferneyhough (ED), (quick visits by: Dave Petro (SWOAME) and David Zimmer (Prez))
Regrets: Ann Michele Stenning (WOMA) , Nicholas Chevalier (SWOAME) , Ada Cartaginese (Y4MA), Tom Boland (NWOAME)

1. Welcome : Greg welcomed the chapter reps to the meeting, and all re-introduced themselves to each other. Lynda welcomed as new Executive Director, who also extended greetings to all.

2. OAME News and Information : Lynda outlined some of the information in envelopes, and gave a thorough description of contents of Promotional Case that is available to all chapters when holding miniconferences. Show and Tell followed with each component being displayed – many of which can be used as giveaways for new members who sign up / door prizes / etc.. A sheet included in the case will outline what can be given away and what must be returned with the case. (The return is easy – a prepaid Fed Ex form is included- you just have to fill out your contact info on the form, sign it and

call the number, they'll come and pick it up and not charge you at all)

3. OAME 2011 : At one point in the afternoon, David Petro, co-chair for OAME2011, ventured into the room to remind people that they should already have some promotional materials for the Annual Conference, and will probably be getting more. Also – asked them to check the website – MCIS will shortly be ready to accept Session Proposals from potential speakers for the conference. Please consider volunteering to speak at the Windsor 2011 conference, and encourage others in your chapter to do so as well.

4. PD Session: Greg gave a workshop for the rest of the afternoon that covered three areas
    a. Members Only section, and highlights of various Chapter Rep functions. (For many this was a repeat, but some didn't mind as this helped reinforce those features that they may not use frequently.)

    b. New feature: Hosting and Creating your very own Chapter Website on the OAME server.

       This is a new feature that was just added recently, and Greg demonstrated how to use the new web design software to login, edit and create pages of information for your chapter website, and how to edit and create postings of news announcements for your website's home page. Handout given (attached).

       ACTION: Chapters who would like to use this new feature to create their website, please let Greg know so that he can update the OAME Chapter Directory on the main website, which will help all members find your new and vibrant chapter website. The websites that were created by reps during the workshop will not go "live" until Greg is notified that the chapter is happy with it and ready for it to be live. Until then, reps are encouraged to update them, or find someone in their chapter to take on this role of chapter webmaster.

       More assistance is available from Greg in creating, updating, modifying your chapter website using this tool – just email him if needed.

    c. CLIPS update: CLIPS - the online math activities, created in Flash, is continually being updated, and Greg gave a quick tour of the latest cluster of activities that are going live over the next few weeks: *Integers – Representing, Comparing and Ordering*. Chapter reps had a chance to explore these activities – and had a sneak preview of some

in pre-release mode. Check out http://MathCLIPS.ca/ to find the latest news and see new activities as they become available.

Communications Committee

Present: Robert Sherk, QSLMA (Chair), Greg Clarke, MAC^2, Marian Small, *Gazette* Editor, COMA, Sue Melville, NOMA, Debbie Drape, SAME, CHAMP, Merilyn Fox, SAME, Ken Maheu, TEAMS, Bev Farahani, QSLMA, Paul Alves, CHAMP, Mary Lou Kestell, TEAMS

Business Arising from Minutes of Previous Meeting of the ***Communications*** Committee:

1. *Members Only* access for pre-service teachers on OAME website – Greg Clarke provided an update. Logins and passwords have been set up for pre-service teachers at OISE, York, and University of Windsor faculties of education.
2. Discussion about providing similar access to students taking AQ courses through faculties of education. Logistics dictate it's probably easier to make instructors aware that this is available by request, instead of taking a blanket approach. **Action:** Greg Clarke to place a notice to this effect on the open area of the OAME website.
3. It was suggested that we begin an *Ask a Teacher* feature on the website as a support for pre-service students in addition to providing the packages. **Action:** Greg Clarke to prepare a mock-up of the feature and distribute it to committee members over the summer. Board members will be invited to volunteer to answer pre-service teachers' questions. **Update:** This has action has been deferred.

Robert: Reminder to send out minutes of previous meeting two weeks before the next board meeting.

Current Business:

1. Promotions PowerPoint: **Action:** Merilyn Fox to add EDs email address and reference to access to *Members Only* area for pre-service teachers by request through instructors to the webmaster. **Action:** Merilyn Fox to send revised PowerPoint to EDs to send presentation to Communications Committee members, Chapter Reps and Greg Clarke.
2. OAME logo: Greg Clarke showed an animated version of the square-based pyramid. **Action:** Greg Clarke to put the animated version on the home page of the website. **Action:** Merilyn Fox to contact promotional/trophy companies for quotes and ideas on a trophy, promotional items, and 3D model with case. Some discussion about creating a contest involving the logo – further discussion deferred until the February 2011 meeting.
3. 40th Gazette issue update: A Facebook page has been created for people to submit pictures, comments, and written submissions. Notice of the Facebook page was sent out by e-news to all members.
4. *Gazette* update – Marian Small: Marian requests assistance with copy editing, finding reviewers for both elementary and secondary articles, and additional sets of eyes on final copies. Professional copy editing services are available but would not be cheap. **Needs:** (1) A coordinator of reviewers; and (2) more eyes on final copies before publishing. **Action:** Each board member to submit names of potential reviewers to Paul Alves (paulalves@peelsb.com) by November 30th.
5. *Abacus* update – Mary Lou Kestell: The theme this year is Measurement. Packaged reprints have been well-received.
6. OMO and conference planners have been put on the OAME website in zipped files.
7. NCTM Affiliate Recognition of Outstanding Publication – The Communications Committee agreed to apply for this award. **Action:** Robert Sherk and Bev Farahani to choose the three samples required for submission.

8. *Gazette* advertising: Rates have remained the same for the past 4 years. We have received a request for discounts for multiple ads within the same issue. Example: If an advertiser places two ¼ -page ads, we could charge a ½-page rate ($200) instead of twice the ¼-page rate ($230 total). Overall advertising rates will not be changed this year. **Action:** The following motion will be brought to the Finance Committee: "BIRT *Gazette* advertisers are charged for total page count instead of individual ads. Example: If an advertiser places two ¼ -page ads, we could charge a ½-page rate ($200) instead of twice the ¼-page rate ($230 total). Overall advertising rates will not be changed this year."

9. OAME website to-do list:
   - ED links – chapter updater needs tweaking; pending
   - Gazette links need repair - pending
   - Elementary resources need posting – Greg has now added K, 1-3, 4-6 in the "Grade Specific Resources" section on the website; resources for grade 7 and 8 are being up loaded currently (TIPS); **Action:** the Curriculum Committee to upload an exhaustive list of resources (hyper-links to the LNS and monographs); Mary Lou to provide Greg with one set of Abacus questions to put on a separate elementary page on the website and a description of what she envisioned it to look like;
   - Secondary website updates from Dwight Stead
   - Promotional powerpoint – see minute notes above
   - Password resetting not working – still to be worked on
   - Is it time to hire a website manager to build capacity? We have used some of the $1500 that was allotted to pay Greg R. for the extra work that he has done
   - Feedback to Kestell/Sherk's pilot (ABQ/AQ project) – done; see minute notes above
   - Feedback to OMO registration process - deferred
   - IN ADDITION – Greg has zipped the files for the OAME and OMO planner; **Action:** Greg to upload on the website

OAME Outreach Committee Meeting
Saturday, October 23, 2010

Minutes: C. Quadrini

Present: Henry Santos, Cheryl Geoghegan, Laura Tonin, Len Rak, Sandra Jean Price, Cathy Hall, Connie Quadrini

Regrets: Ann Michele Stenning, Nicholas Chevalier, Beata Myhill

1. OAME Awards
   - Discuss raising visibility/profile of OAME Awards (lilac flyer) during Committee of the Whole; pose the following questions:
     What are the barriers to nominations coming forward? What suggestions do you have to respond to these barriers?
     ACTION: Separate email with attachments to go out to various stakeholders at Ontario school boards and OAME chapters; hard copy of package should go out to Directors of Education as a heads-up – Len & Sandra to create draft of letter and email to Cathy
     ACTION: Create database of Directors of Education – Cheryl, Laura, Henry to create database and email to Cathy
   - **ACTION: Create new Awards link on OAME home page – Greg**

- **ACTION: Create pop up on OAME website (main page) for awards nomination – Greg**

2. Host chapter for OMO 2012
   - **ACTION: Confirm with CHAMP today – chapter is interested and will let us know within 3 weeks**
   - **ACTION: If CHAMP declines, approach NOMA to bring back to chapter; Cheryl will email Outreach committee (otherwise, pursue ISOMA; COMA will be back up)**

3. Hosts for OAME Annual Conference
   - **ACTION: OAME 2013 - Checked with SAME today – declined offer for now;**
   - **ACTION: OAME 2013 - CHAMP is interested (chapter is considering Sheridan College Campus in Oakville/Len Rak and Fred Ferneyhough will explore campus next week/Fred Ferneyhough to confirm interest by CHAMP within 3 weeks)**
   - **ACTION: OAME 2014 or 2015 - Sandra Jean will bring to PRMA chapter to see if there is interest**
   - **ACTION: OAME Conference Planner - Contact Stellar Print to discuss creation of "wall size" timeline – Connie**

3. OMO meeting
   - Not all chairs showed; no future chair(s)
   - Some things clarified for upcoming hosting chapter
   - Only half day needed; perhaps even a dinner meeting (4:30 – 7:30pm)?

4. OMO site selection and liability issues
   - OMO 2010 had no more coverage being at leadership camp than at any other venue that has hosted OMO (site has same liability insurance as OAME)

5. Data from chapter reps regarding school board policies for their teachers presenting at conferences
   - **ACTION: See Lynda for any new data that came in at last chapter reps meeting – Connie**

6. Supporting needs of chapters
   - **ACTION: Liaise with ED's to request to be on next Chapter Reps meeting agenda:** "*What can the Outreach Committee do to support your chapter?"*

7. Support for OAME 2011

- **ACTION: Create abridged timeline for SWOAME – Connie, Cathy, Lynda to complete and email to David and Dragana, co-chairs of OAME 2011**

8. Nominations for OAME Awards
   - NOTE: Deadline for nominations is Jan. 15 (not Jan 31 as reported during Committee of the Whole)
   - It was suggested that advertising for awards nominations include contact info (EDs?) in case of questions from nominators
   - **ACTION: Add contact information at the bottom of OAME Awards Nomination Flyer at next board meeting**

9. Feedback from Committee of the Whole
   - Rally OMCA (consultants, coordinators) for support of nominations
   - Distribute promotion material (perhaps a 1-pager to hand out at meeting?)
   - Should multiple copies be made for distribution to consultants, coordinators at school boards so that they can get the information into the hands of principals?

   ACTION: Connie to connect with Sonia to discuss this agenda item for next OMCA meeting
   - Perhaps include in letter to Directors of Education info about past recipients of awards (e.g. schools/departments/teacher names)
   - Suggest that Directors of Education post a link to the awards nomination on the board website
   - A checklist might be helpful for nominators:
     - 5-page Curriculum Vitae
     - Cover Letter
     - Supporting Letter #1
     - Supporting Letter #2
     - Supporting Letter #3
     - Email to Executive Directors of OAME
   - Personal email sent to every board member/include link to awards nomination as well as checklist

ACTION: Cathy to send emails out via MCIS chapter email

Curriculum Committee Minutes for Saturday, October 23, 2010

Present: David Zimmer, Anne Yeager, Jan Crofoot (co-chair), Dwight Stead (co-chair), Laurie Moher, Alison Macaulay, Susan Pitre, Mary Bourassa, Jen Gravel, Urvi Shah, Carl Davey (representing Barry Ferguson)

Absent: Santina Fantetti, Paul Szczokin, Marilyn Hurrell, Ada Cartaginese

Item	Discussion	Action
Roundtable Introductions	Members introduced themselves	
Summer Math CAMPPP PLMLC Series	Anne shared her experiences at Summer Math CAMPPP. She has the liaison between the online members and the plenary sessions. Anne also shared that the PLMLC series is being offered in Toronto on Dec 29,30. Registration information is available on EDUGAINS. Individual teachers from any board can register. (Anne mentioned that after Christmas sales are provide registrants a retail opportunity.)	Committee members are asked to promote the December PLMLC session with math leaders in their boards.
Growing Success	As a member of her board's team who attended the Ministry training, Jan shared some of the shifts in A&E contained in Growing Success: • Increased importance of assessment for learning and descriptive feedback over assessment of learning • Evaluation includes observations and conversations as well as product	Future meetings will have opportunities to discuss Growing Success.
Web Site Uploads	Resources for grades 7&8 were uploaded • Grade 7 TIPS4RM resources written during summer 2009 • Grade 7&8 links	Promotions needs to inform the membership of the new resources.
Big Ideas Discussion	In keeping with the vision from David in his president's remarks, the Big Ideas will	

	play a role in the next revision of the curriculum. Dwight, and other members on the board, will attend the Field Institute symposium on Big Ideas in Mathematics on October 25th. The committee discussed: What would you like to see in the next revision of the mathematics curriculum?	Dwight will report at the February meeting.

Minutes prepared by Dwight Stead
Final Discussion: Curriculum Committee
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- need a better defined target for what we are all looking at – about kids, not so focused on the minutia – focus on processes (embed), transferable life skills (problem solving, critical thinking, to persevere with a problem).
- Question about the way the curriculum doc might look more horizontal – big idea, specifics, accommodations, examples → formatting issue (chart organization)
- Maintain the strands, put big ideas there
- Embed special needs ELL in the curriculum chart not in the up front section (sometimes this upfront section gets missed)
- We want folks to go to the curriculum document first; if it can become more of a living document with live links (one stop shop)
- Adjust the layout of the document so you don't have to go to multiple places to get the full flavour (spec ed, ell etc)
- Could be by strand so show the continuum (flow)
- Question trees for teachers to use (with TIPS)
- Strand mismatch from 8 to 9
- What is the process for including new research and what then is the support for new teachers
- Compare the science big ideas and math big ideas → similar or not
- Why aren't we starting with post secondary or why not starting with early years → big ideas and how they
- Aligning growing success with math curriculum and helping teachers understand where this fits
- How do you add new topics such as those involving spatial sense (geometry)?
- Just as important is what is in the curriculum → how will teachers be supported?

    - The pedagogy behind teachers and admin, the changes need to be made clear
    - There need to be system leaders specialized in mathematics

- Current process is flawed – there is not enough time to train teachers, develop resources, etc. before new curriculum is implemented
- Could the process be a big idea
- There is a long need for linking between strands and to other subjects
- Curriculum cannot do all of the things the curriculum mentioned
- Two questions we need to look at:
    - Other provinces use the same (basic) curriculum (west and most of east – not Ontario and Quebec)
    - Who will have input and who will decide what this new curriculum will look like → will we have a say at all
    - Look at the LANGUAGE of the curriculum → give teachers the autonomy to teach the kids where they are at
    - Role of big ideas: OE's are organizers, not big ideas. People misunderstand this. If we include all: OE, SE and big ideas it can be confusing

Strategic Planning and Renewal Committee
Saturday, October 23, 2010

Co-Chairs: Bill Otto & Sonia Ellison
Liaison: Sonia Ellison
Committee Members present: Jung Choi-Perkins, Sonia Ellison, Fred Ferneyhough, Pat Kehoe, Shaun Knowles, Bill Otto, Silvana Simone
Regrets : Tom Boland, Kyla Kadlec

Minutes:

1. Welcome, Introductions lead by Bill

2. Bill reported to the Committee that the Executive has taken on the role of monitoring and tweaking the "pilot project of uber Committees" re: the Board structure and has extended this experiment for at least the next Board year so that an informed dialogue and decision can be undertaken.

3. The Committee's motion regarding the Terms of Reference change removing reference to an Equity Breakfast at the OAME Annual Conference was presented and passed at Executive and will be brought forward for approval to the Board today.

4. Sonia reported that she has confirmed a speaker for the Equity Session(s) at the OAME 2011 Annual Conference in Windsor – Elaine Lam. The focus will be

based upon her research in gap-closing and materials development to support student learning.

5. A discussion centred around the investigation of an Equity page on the OAME website – links or resources that would be appropriate to share with the membership. Sonia & Bill & the Committee members will follow-up with other Committees about how they might support this initiative. For example, identifying teachers who are already using social justice to successfully teach mathematics and asking them to share lessons/resources (ideas from chapter reps and folks from conference, etc) via the website and/or other publications.

6. Fred clarified the role of Committee members in their home groups at this afternoon's Committee of the Whole session.

7. The Committee discussed the submitted budget proposal items from the June meeting. It was confirmed that there is funding for expenses related to the Equity Session(s) at the Annual Conference. Also, the need for a separate SPaRC meeting may still be necessary depending upon the feedback from the survey of the Board today and the reaction and follow-up of the Executive to that feedback.

8. A number of items regarding Constitution considerations from the June 2010 Board meeting will be on-going :
    a. Develop protocol/process for replacing board members who have resigned or are requesting a leave of absences. It was decided to pose this question to Committee of the Whole to gather some input. Bill to underscore the point that the process developed needs to be transparent and equitable.
    b. Aligning the Board year with school year
    c. OAME has many Policy statements and the organization needs to create a place to house them and collect them
    d. It was also decided that the Committee would inform the Board that it intends to ask Board members at the October Board meeting, whether the new "uber"Committee and Board Agenda structures are working and make any recommendations/tweaks at that time

9. Sonia to follow up with David Petro re: equity theme/issues etc. and report back to the Committee asap and she and Bill will follow-up with other Committee Chairs, as needed.

10. The Presentation to the Board for our Committee's portion of the Committee-of-the-Whole was discussed and Bill and Sonia will do the presenting and facilitating as necessary.

11. Bill will submit a suitable version of the Committee minutes for the Board to Lynda F asap and copy the Committee. Bill will also share the working minutes with the Committee as soon as possible along with the collected comments and recommendations from the Committee of the Whole Session.

12. The Committee adjourned to rejoin the Board Mtg at 11:00 am.

13. The Committee reconvened at 2:30 pm to debrief, consolidate and plan next steps.

14. The equity focus on social justice was recognized as an area of growth. Chapter Reps are being asked to find teachers who are already doing this. Other boards have been recommended as resources and a suggestion to create a writing team to support a K-12 focus on using social justice to teach math or teaching math through social justice. Questions at one table group included curiosity around grade 3, 6, and 9 EQAO cohort data and how inequity can be addressed. Use of previous resources from the gazette, Annual conferences, Ottawa panel video could be housed on the social justice page. Also a suggestion for a feedback opportunity for those using the website features. Another concern was related to equity across grades/divisions for resource support – what about the early years teachers?

15. The realignment of the Board year to the School Year was discussed and there were various viewpoints. This will be revisited at our next meeting to determine the timing of other meetings and how the transition from one year to another would take place.

16. Replacement of early-leaver Board members was discussed and suggestions included posting vacant spots on the OAME website with a limited time frame to make the position available to all members also using email blasts to encourage participation. Another suggestion included inviting "retired" members of the board to fill in until a vote can take place to fill the vacancy permanently. Other related information revolved around the timing of the AGM at the annual conference which will be shared with the Outreach committee.

17. The Committee adjourned at 3:00 pm.