OAME Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes

Hilton Garden Inn, 2648 Steeles Ave. East, Brampton, ON L6S 6J9

Friday Mar 23, 2018

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm: Awards Deliberation Committee
5:30 pm – 6:00 pm: Dinner for Awards Deliberation Committee
6:30 pm - 7:00 pm: **Chapter Representatives meeting**

Attendance:
Executive: President: Jill Lazarus, Past President: Judy Mendaglio, President-Elect David Petro
Vice-Presidents: Bill Otto and Sandra Jean Price,
Directors: Pat Kehoe, Bart Vanslack, Liisa Suurtamm, Tom Boland and Anne Yeager
Chapter Representatives: Amanda Laxton (CHAMP), Melissa Black (COMA), Pamela Chun (GOLDEN), Andrew Skelton (GVMA), Calvin Armstrong (ISOMA). Denise Filipovic (NOMA), Corrine Russell-Pritoula (NWOAME), Lori Yee (PRMA), Kathy Pilon (QSLMA), Elizabeth Pearsall (SWOAME), Freda Liu (SAME) Alvarine Aldridge (TEAMS), Katelyn Beecroft (WOMA), Chi Hang (Y4MA). Greg Clarke represented MAC^2.
Gazette Editor: Tim Sibbald. Webmaster: Greg Clarke. NCTM rep: Jacqueline Hill
Regrets: Kathy Kubota-Zarivnij, Mary-Lou Kestell, Paulene Washington

7:00 pm – 7:30 pm: President's Welcome and Remarks: Jill Lazarus
Jill highlighted a few things. Thanks for your efforts during and between meetings. Elections are still taking place, so please vote. A very successful leadership conference was held in Ottawa in November with 236 participants. Thanks to former and future presidents who attended, Lynda, Fred and Kathy Pilon. The success of our upcoming conference is a tribute to the efforts of the board.

Reports: OAME 2018 – Lynda Ferneyhough reported that things are moving along well. It appears that we have a good amount of money. We only have four people at this time who have not already paid for the upcoming conference aside from the group codes.
Leadership 2018 will take place in Windsor November 8-9, 2018. David Petro distributed a flyer advertising the event, entitled "Learning in the 21st Century". Registration will likely be on MCIS.
Kathy Pilon presented a cheque for $63306.23 for the Board's share of the profit for OAME 2017.

7:30 pm – 8:00 pm: **GENERAL MEETING of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

- **Approval of the Agenda –** Lynda added that Alison McAuley will be attending at some point on Saturday and we will fit her in when she arrives. Moved by Bill Otto, seconded by Pat Kehoe, that the agenda be approved as amended. Approved.
- **Approval of Minutes Oct. 13 - 14, 2017** – Moved by Bart Vanslack, seconded by Judy Mendaglio, that the minutes of October 13-14, 2017 be approved. Carried.
- **Financial Report:** Lynda Ferneyhough presented the current financial report, highlighting several items. Moved by Pamela Chun, seconded by Melissa Black that the financial report be accepted.
- **Notices of Motion:** Jill Lazarus called for motions. There were none.
- **Board Nomination & Voting Report** Past-President Judy Mendaglio encouraged people to vote.

8:00 pm – 9:30 pm: Board Committees met to work on their agenda.

9:30 pm – 10:00 pm: Committee of the Whole
The Outreach Committee requested a response on the wording of a new clause to define the composition of a team for the OMO and also indicated that hosts are needed for OMO 2020 and OAME 2021. (Since the meeting, TEAMS has submitted their proposal for OAME2021).
A request was made to post on the OAME website for all awards that an OAME member could qualify for.

Saturday Mar. 24, 2018

9:00 am – 9:15 am: The Ad-hoc Conference Committee reported to the board. Paul Alves, Dwight Stead and Jill Lazarus presented their data on the survey that they conducted last fall. We are looking forward to their final report at our next meeting. Thanks to the terrific trio!

9:15 am – 12:00 pm: OAME 2018 planning
Notes from Wayne:

1. As committees meet, consider recommendations for the Ad Hoc Committee
2. We need to Think Big for future events and make recommendations based upon that need.
3. There were 900 participants who pre-registered before February 1. Future conferences need to note this!
4. There are over 1600 participants registered for the event. When you take into consideration part time registrants, this converts to about 1475 full time registrants.
5. Folders have been created in the Google space for different groups in the event.
6. Links were sent out yesterday for supply teachers for Wednesday to Friday as needed. **This is for OAME board members only**. If your committee needs to have other teachers covered, please do not give them the link – fill it in for them in advance. Lynda will only pay for supply teachers for those individuals approved by committee chairs and/or Wayne.
7. Anyone who can be present on Wednesday should go to the site to help out. Pizza dinner will be provided. Hospitality will provide a dinner for the organizers and the job shadowers on Thursday between the Wine and Cheese and the Keynote.
8. Wayne went over rooms that have been set aside for the conference and some of the timelines. He will send out this information to all board members.
9. Meals for organizers – Breakfast will be provided Thursday and Friday in the Situation/Registration room.
10. There will be no walk in registrations and Wayne will handle all questions at the event.
11. Please refer all matters to Wayne so that consistent answers can be provided.

The conference committees met until lunch, then reported out to the entire group.

12:30 pm – 2:30 pm: Board Committees
Board members were invited to re-convene in their board committees.

Alison McAuley, from the Ministry of Education, addressed the board. In her remarks, she commented on the work on the Renewed Math Strategies. The website (https://rms.thelearningexchange.ca) is being populated with resources. Most notable are the virtual workshops that are available, which are available on demand. Several brochures were shown as well. In response to a question, there will be no curriculum refresh this year. The final stages of the last curriculum refresh (begun with math around 2005) are being put in place and a committee has been struck to determine which disciplines will be addressed first when the next refresh moves ahead.

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm: Committee of the Whole

In response to the gender question:
Curriculum responded that gender issues are not going to go away and that more discussion is needed. They agreed that all awards should be advertised on the website if a request is made.
Communication responded that links to awards are not an issue. They indicated that gender conditions don't promote equity anymore. They suggested we try running the competition for a year without any gender conditions.
SPaRC had no responses, mostly because three of the four members had flown the coop!

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm: Alvarine presented the TEAMS chapter constitutional changes.

There was no other last minute business

3:15 Adjournment

CHAPTER REPORTS

CHAMP hosted our regional OMO competition Saturday February 10, 2018 at Sheridan College, Oakville Campus. 22 teams competed and showed their mathematical prowess while completing tasks using technology, manipulatives and toy racecars. as well! CHAMP is gearing up for the Provincial OMO which will also be held at Sheridan College from June 8 to 9, 2018.

COMA has grown! We had a very successful Leadership Conference in Ottawa, headed by Jill Lazarus, therefore our numbers have jumped to 322! We plan on hosting another social April 26th to welcome all these new members to our organization. We are hard at work in getting the 2019 conference planned and have met now with Ottawa U to do a walkthrough of their residences and facilities. Our local OMO/JMO will be held at the beginning of April as well.

GOLDEN Chapter will be having our annual mini-conference on Thursday April 19th 2018. It will be at Brock University and will run from 4:00 p.m. through 8:00 p.m. if you include dinner. This is a great opportunity for teachers to get great PD so come on out! OMO playdowns will be April 12 and will be held at Club Roma. Every year the number of teams increases and it is always a fun day!

The **GVMA** hosted our Fall Conference on November 8th with an attendance of approximately 80. We were a little disappointed to have dropped from our usual registration numbers of 130-140, so we are working to reach out to our members to determine how the fall conference should change to accommodate their needs.
We are also proud to confirm that we will be participating in the OMO for the first time this year and we are looking forward to the experience!

ISOMA
The ISOMA Annual conference was held January 18th at Upper Canada College; it was one of our largest conferences ever and was capped by a presentation on "How Gender Diversity Can Drive Innovation in the STEM Fields" by Dr. Mary A. Wells, Dean at University of Guelph and Chair of the Ontario Network of Women in Engineering. Planning is also aggressively underway for the Ontario Mathematics Olympiad in 2019, which for the first time will be hosted by ISOMA. There will be a Problem-Based Learning conference held March 2nd at Royal St. George's College in Toronto.

MAC2 held its annual fall mini-conference entitled, "Explore the effective representation of fractions" which was presented by our very own Shelley Yearly. It was very well attended and enjoyed by all. We have started our new year off by beginning our second book club which is conducted as part of every meeting. The book we are studying this year is Tracy Zager's," Becoming the math teacher you wish you'd had." In an effort to enrich the professional development of our members, we have also included presentations at each meeting. One meeting included exciting hands-on activities on Robotics Coding and Math using Dash and Dot robots. We are presently busy planning our annual spring mini-conference to be held in April. Our guest speaker will be Mark Chubb, who is an instructional coach with the District School Board of Niagara.

This year, **NOMA** has been working to re-image, which is resulting in renewed interest in our chapter and a more diversified base of leaders for today and tomorrow. In October, we hosted Cathy Fosnot in North Bay, empowering new leaders to organize this event. Using MCIS as a registration and pre-payment tool, we were able to register 107 people for this event. Unfortunately, not all of these people attended in the end and many no-shows had not pre-paid as MCIS payments were down during this period. Fortunately, the venue was kind enough to lower our food costs. Feedback from an exit survey was very positive for the most part and we also received many ideas for future learning sessions. We began to formulate a plan to support more educators across our region using a Hub format. Members in Sault Ste Marie, Timmins, New Liskeard, North Bay, Sudbury and Manitoulin/Wikwemikong have all

stepped up to act as Hub Leaders, providing a location and the necessary technology for us to have blended meetings. Our first such meeting took place on January 31 and we had over 20 people connected over Google Hangout, in hub groups. This innovative model is what we believe will make the difference for our region. We are so excited about it that we proposed a session at OAME and are proud to say that we will be presenting our Hub Structure and other innovations at the conference this year. Our first Hub learning session, NOMA's Annotation Adventure, took place on February 26. We had 40 people participating across 6 locations! Our membership has now rebounded to 106 members. We have a new logo, you can follow us on Twitter @NOMAmath (we have 68 followers) and on Instagram @NOMA_math (7 followers). Our new website www.nomamath.ca is launching later this month. We'd like to celebrate all of the NOMA members who are taking on new leadership roles to make all of this possible and see a bright future for math learning and teaching in our region.

News from **NWOAME** in the North...
In April, we will be hosting our regional Math Olympics at Superior High School in order to identify our team to send to the Provincial Competition. Again this year, NWOAME is including a grade 6 non-competitive division to our Olympics. We are excited to say the interest for this event is growing and expected numbers are up.
Many of our schools celebrated the 100 th day school wide. Older students planning, preparing and implementing 100 day activities. We are currently in the process of planning a Math Night that will be a free event for anyone interested in attending. We will include a brief presentation about benefits of OAME memberships to hopefully boast our membership.

PRMA had a successful fall mini conference with the sessions " Making Thinking Visible" featuring Lisa Peverill and Darren Hand and "Attending to Student Thinking" featuring Shelley Yearley. We will have the PRMA East and PRMA West regional OMO competitions in April. As well, we had our first planning meeting with SAME for the 2020 OAME Conference. Members from both chapters have volunteered to chair the various committees. We are excited to be planning and organizing the 2020 conference with SAME!

In November 2017, **QSLMA** hosted our fall Mini-Connect, Going Deeper with Memorable Math Moments. Jon Orr and Kyle Pearce were out keynote speakers. Following dinner, attendees went to their selected breakout session. Our President, Melissa Baker-Cox continues to produce the newsletter to keep our members up-to-date on the OAME events.
We will be hosting a Spring Mini-Connect on April 5th. Teachers can choose one of three keynote sessions. We will be offering an elementary keynote, a financial keynote and a Grade 9 Applied Keynote. We have not hosted a Spring mini-conference in the past few years and are hoping that the timing is right for some teachers.

SAME has been busy this year! In addition to our annual Scarborough Individual Math Challenge and Scarborough Math Olympics, we are hosting a number of new events. This year, we are offering a new Professional Learning Series for elementary and secondary teachers. The Elementary Book Club is focused on four Financial Literacy picture books and the Secondary Book Club is based around *The 5 Practices for Orchestrating Productive Mathematics Discussions*. As well, we are gearing up in our planning as we will be co-hosting OAME2020 with PRMA.

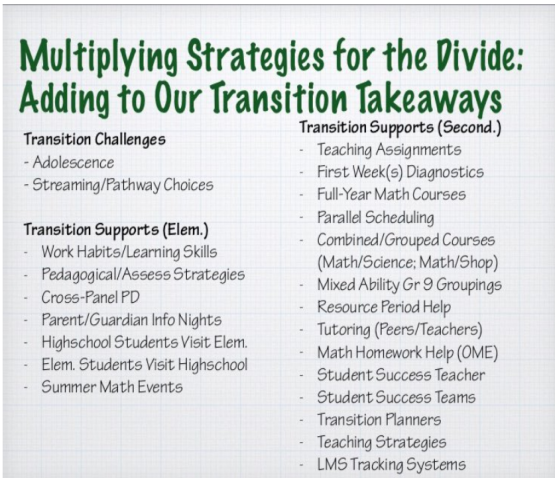
Y4MA has been busy planning for the Intermediate Math Olympic competition. So far, we have 41 teams registered from the Toronto DSB, York Region DSB, and the York Region Catholic DSB. It will take place on April 4, at Middlefield CI from 4:30-8:00pm. The top three teams will be moving on to the Ontario Math Olympics in May. We look forward to an evening of spirited competition from all our mathletes.

OTHER REPORTS:

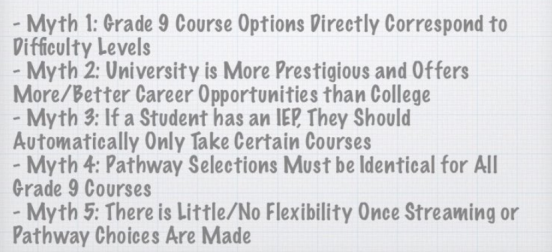
NCTM: The National Council of Teachers of Mathematics is a huge organization. I did not realize the scope of their undertaking.
I purposefully keep my Ontario Curriculum guidelines and Growing Success document with me each time I delve very far into their documents or website.
The phrase "many hands makes light work" truly stands the test of time with the NCTM. They have a huge collective of excited, innovative and capable mathematicians. They work tirelessly in aspects of K-12 and beyond for mathematics.
In my less than 9 months as the NCTM rep I have barely skimmed the surface of all that they represent and work with in the mathematics realm.
I am looking forward to diving into their "research archives", that as a member, I now have access to.

MKN Transitions: Crossing the Divide: Exploring Critical Transition Issues from Grade 8 to 9 Mathematics
March 20, 2018, organized by Dan Jarvis
Presentation and discussion:
Dr. Dan Jarvis: *Multiplying Strategies for the Divide: Adding to Our Transition Takeaways*

In this presentation, Dan shared findings from a qualitative research study regarding transition issues from Grade 8 to Grade 9).
Question: What transition supports are available?



Myths that were repeatedly found during interviews that affects decision-making:



Resources available to assist in pathways decisions:

- Creating Pathways to Success document http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/document/policy/cps/CreatingPathwaysSuccess.pdf
- Supporting Students' Mathematics Transitions: Grades 7-9 (From RMS, Virtual Learning Series https://rms.thelearningexchange.ca/virtuallearningseries/
- Choose A Path THat Includes Math (Colgan) http://www.mathpathontario.ca/home.php
- Might we see more Illustrated Curriculum Guides (currently grades 1 - 3)? http://mathies.ca/childLearningInMath.html

Presentation and discussion:
Melissa Baker-Cox: *Head Start: A Program to Help Kick Off the Semester for Incoming Grade 8 Students*

In this presentation, Melissa described the Head Start program, which was developed to build confidence, conceptual understanding, and critical thinking through active engagement in problem solving. It also focused on what learning skills and work habits look like in high school.
Students come in in August and do math problem solving activities in various non-mathy environments around the school. They worked collaboratively, mixing playdough, solving puzzles, etc,)
We worked through the Building of Zin Obelisk. It was a fantastic activity (which could be used as an OAME Board PD).building the Zin Obelisk. (I found this online. It appears to be the same problem but it presented quite differently than what we were given. http://nationalqualitycenter.org/files/nqc-game-guide-chapters/15-the-zin-obelisk-game/). Small groups shared stories of transition-support programming ideas and initiatives.

Presentation and discussion:
Dr. Lynda Colgan: *Choose a Path that Includes Math*
In this presentation, Lynda worked out the ratio of in-school:at-home waking time to explain the need to focus more attention on home supports. (Only 14% of waking hours are at school, counting K to grade 12). She shared some eye-opening data (see http://letstalkscience.ca/Portals/0/Documents/RPS/Spotlight/SOSL-2015-Infographic-EN.pdf for some of the slides) that is published by Let's Talk Science (http://letstalkscience.ca/About-Us/Who-Are-We), who do a lot of research studies. One piece of data was that when making academic and career decisions, parents' opinions matter most, again supporting the need to educate and support parents. "Choose a Path that Includes Math", an online resource, was developed http://www.mathpathontario.ca/home.php.

Presentation and discussion:
Greg Clarke & Ross Isenegger: *Crossing the Digital Divide with mathies.ca Tools and Resources*

In this presentation, we explored the resources for parents and students available at mathies.ca with a focus on tools that could bridge the content divide between Patterning and Algebra. We all did a problem using the Coloured Tiles tool and then selected from a set of problems and possible tools.
The exit card asked participants for any other initiatives/resources that can be supporting parents and students in the (math) transition 8 to 9. It also asked for areas for future investigation.
Note that all presentations will be archived on Fields*Live.*

You will also notice that OAME types are very well represented by this group of speakers!

COMMITTEE MINUTES:

CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVES

Present: Lynda Ferneyhough, Executive Director, Greg Clarke, OAME Webmaster, MAC2, Amanda Laxton, CHAMP, Melissa Black, COMA, Pamela Chun, GOLDEN, Andrew Skelton, GVMA, Calvin Armstrong, ISOMA, Denise Filipovic, NOMA, Corrine Russell-Pritoula, NWOAME, Lori Yee, PRMA, Kathy Pilon, QSLMA, Freda Liu, SAME, Elizabeth Pearsall, SWOAME, Katelyn Beecroft, WOMA
Regrets: Paulene Washington, MAC2 (Greg to represent MAC2 at meeting)
Absent: Alvarine Aldridge, TEAMS, Chi Hang, Y4MA

1. Executive Director's report / information items
- ALL the chapter rebates have been paid this year (finally!) Conditions for chapters in good standing
  - A Chapter rep must attend ⅔ meetings
  - All exec must be OAME members (for year coming up)
  - Chapter report must be filed, including financial report
- WOMA - having difficult time getting participation, members feeling overwhelmed by existing board PD. Hoping for things to pick up, but difficult. Asking for volunteers
- PRMA rep, Lori Yee, indicated similar difficulties - what's helped lots is volunteer to organize provincial conference
- COMA rep, Melissa Black, suggested a social would be a good way to solicit people.

2. OAME Website / Google Site update
- oame.on.ca email addresses → have you set yours up?
- Google docs for file sharing
- Google sites for chapter websites
- Chapter specific accounts for preserving longevity/history

3. Chapter Sharing via OAME Google Docs (this doc)

Chapter Representative Email setup? What's New /Interesting link!
CHAMP Amanda Laxton Help pls Getting ready for the Provincial OMO in June! (And look at Melissa's shirt…)
COMA Melissa Black yes Hosting and April social and OAME 2019 - Look at my shirt!!
GOLDEN Pamela Chun Yes now thanks! :-) We will be hosting our annual mini-conference on Thursday April 19 at Brock University. OMO play downs will be Thursday April 12 at Club Roma.
GVMA Andrew Skelton Yes GVMA Fall Conference on Nov 8/18 with attendance 80. Down from usual 130-140, so we sent out survey to determine why and how we can change conference - results due soon. We will also be participating in OMO for the first time this year.
ISOMA Calvin Armstrong Yes Past:
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Present/Future:
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MAC2 Paulene Washington Yes Doing a Book Club / MiniConf in Apr
NOMA Denise Filipovic Will complete this weekend
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- In October we hosted Cathy Fosnot in North Bay. We had 107 registrations for this event.
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- We have a new logo, you can follow us on Twitter @NOMAmath and on Instagram @NOMA math
- Our new website www.nomamath.ca is launching later this month.

NWOAME Corrine Russell-pritoula Thanks I needed the instructions too :) Spring Math night in the planning process in hopes of boosting membership
Regional OMO will also include a grade 6 non-competitive event again this year (numbers are up)
PRMA Lori Yee Yes Had our first OAME 2020 planning meeting with SAME. Conference teams chairs have volunteered. PRMA west math olympics competition has occurred, PRMA east's will be the first week in April
QSLMA Kathy Pilon Yes Started breathing again after OAME2017. Hosted our Fall Mini-Connect in November. Good turnout.
We are having another Mini-connect in April that includes a financial workshop, Math for the Nines, or an elementary workshop focused on thinking.

SAME Freda Liu yes ● Fall Meet & Greet Social
● December Social: Escape Room
● Sponsorship for Girls Conference: Math in Motion - Girls in Gear Conference at the University of Toronto
● OAME Conference Presenter Sponsorship for SAME members (SAME will provide up to $250 support for any SAME member who presents at OAME 2018)
● Learning Series: Book Clubs
■ Elementary: four Financial Literacy picture books
■ Secondary: The 5 Practices (OAME provided a facilitator from Math4Nines project)
● Scarborough Individual Math Challenge
● Scarborough Math Olympics
● Ontario Math Olympics
● OAME Conference 2020 (co-hosting with PRMA)
SWOAME Elizabeth Pearsall
TEAMS Alvarine Aldridge
WOMA Katelyn Beecroft yes No current activity - reaching out to members to find some potential executive members willing to help plan events.
Y4MA Chi Hang
4. Fred Ferneyhough, Executive Director message
● Suggested that Chapters can have a strong presence at the OAME board if membership were strongly encouraged to nominate and vote for someone from their chapter.

COMMUNICATION

1. Editor's Report - See file below.
2. Gazette - Questions and Concerns
   - Expensing cartoons copyright fees to the Gazette (articles submitted)- approved
   - Webinars to promote article writing for the Gazette - Tim to organize and post webinars to support new authors for articles to Gazette - possibly post the archived webinar on OAME website - approved
   - Meeting of Editorial team (mileage and meals fees to be covered by OAME) - approved
3. Website - switching servers won't happen until the summer
   - Focusing on getting all Board members up and running with google - gmail at this Board meeting.
4. OAME - Global to do list - See attached file - Communications committee to view the various areas of the OAME website and check all links and materials for updating.
5. Other Business - Editor vote was taken and Tim Sibbald will be recommended as the editor to the Ex, Committee for a 2 yr term ending 2020.

Gazette Editor Report March, 2018
The Gazette has been essentially on time for the December and March issues. There have been one or two minor discrepancies by a day, but they were suitably orderly that the production team was aware and able to maintain publication of the Gazette in accordance with the expected timeline. The only issue of note was that no responses were received about Assessment Abbey for the March issue.
We have had Jacquie Foster taking a trial associate editor role and she has met with Anne Yeager for some mentoring. Jacquie has provided feedback on several articles at this point and been able to reduce the workload Anne has had. The intention is to continue with two associate editors and I am hopeful that Jacquie will allow me to formally acknowledge her as an associate editor in the June issue of the Gazette.
Currently, the status of the Gazette for the year is:
- 5 articles reviewed and published.
- 4 articles rejected (Commercial component, rewrite, an opinion that was too narrow).
- 1 article returned to author for further work before review.
- 6 articles queued for future issues (Note 5 from one author.)
- 1 article in final proofreading (same prolific author as above)
- 1 article waiting for advice from Communication Committee (See #1 below)

An email has also been received with an advance draft of an article to verify its suitability for the Gazette. Since the response was in the affirmative, it should enter the process in the not too distant future.
Three issues for consideration by the Communications Committee:
1. The use of cartoons has come up in conjunction with an article that was submitted. They are also of interest as an option for addressing the ongoing need to fill odd spaces. It is clear online that Calvin and Hobbes vehemently does not grant permission, while Foxtrot appears amenable or at least straightforward to ask permission of. The question for the communications committee is how to address the use of existing cartoons in the Gazette. Will it suffice if the Gazette editor has permission from the original cartoonist or representative in the form of an email?
2. I organized a potential webinar that would have made a Gazette article author available to anyone who joined the webinar. The notion was/is to facilitate a greater connection, where authors are willing, and have some conversation around content of the Gazette. I have also wondered about having a writer discussion group to help foster first time authorship.
   These ideas were proposed to NOMA as my home chapter. NOMA responded by asking how this would benefit the chapter. Such webinars are rightfully for the entire OAME membership and not a single chapter and it is a potential concern that having any chapter propose organization wide webinars may be seen as diminishing options for other chapters, which is not the intent.

A solution, which I am asking permission for, is for the Gazette editor to be allowed to host webinars of this sort upon approval of the Communications Committee. The intention is that they would be posted as Gazette events, without a chapter, on MCIS and could be promoted through the Twitter feed and the Gazette.
As a specific example (assuming I am continuing as Gazette editor), I would like permission to offer a "First time author" webinar. The intention is that this will provide a PowerPoint of what the editor is looking for. It will be outlined that articles have to fit the aim and scope of the OAME and what reviewers are asked to look for. This will be followed by a discussion and the goal is to be as responsive to the needs of attendees as possible. I may aim to have a couple of authors speak about their approaches. Since it is likely to be a small group, it is expected that some idea sharing will take place and that this can provide next steps for engaging those who are interested. The timing facilitates the potential authors having time over the summer to put the proverbial pen to paper.

3. If I am continuing as the editor of the Gazette, and I am in the Waterloo-Orangeville area now and again, I am wondering about possibly getting the editorial team (Anne - Orangeville, Jacquie - Orangeville, Gitta-Toronto, Penny-Kitchener, and myself) together. The objective would be to have everyone speak about their roles and to address inconsistencies in what different people are doing. This can be done informally (Penny and I did try to have coffee together, albeit it did not happen.) but I am wondering if mileage could be covered – excluding Tim as it is premised on my being in the area – and perhaps the cost of breakfast to provide a meeting spot.

CURRICULUM

In Attendance: Anne Yeager, Chi Hang, Corrine Russell-Pritoula, Chi Hang, Denise Filipovic, Judy Mendaglio, Jill Lazarus, Katelyn Beecroft, Liisa Suurtamm, Pamela Chun,

Judy provided an update and highlighted the following:

1. Yes I Can document: http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/literacynumeracy/inspire/research/math-classroom2018.pdf
2. Ontario Teachers Federation has put a position paper out to cease all grade 3 and 6 testing
3. Mathematics and Me: Student Advisory panel (what is math to you) graphic on the Ministry of Ed website
4. Lynda Colgan -Math Knowledge Network (pathways for parents) called "Choose a Path that includes Math" Transition piece to help students choose pathways from grade 8 to 9
5. Math storytime www.mathstorytime.ca
6. Jump Math: (Judy will bring back to the June meeting)
7. Curriculum Committee broke off into two groups to write Assessment Abby columns:
   a. Research on Assessment and Evaluation
   b. Considering well-being when assessing and evaluating students in mathematics.
8. Conversation and consideration about the equity issue for OMO. We acknowledge the challenge and wonder if removing the gender designation could be an option on a trial basis. It was agreed that it is an issue that is going to keep growing and we need to come to a consensus about how to address this.
9. We agree that the Website should provide an area for external math awards.

OUTREACH

In Attendance: Melissa Black, Sandra Jean Price, Kathy Pilon, Lori Yee, Freda Liu, Amanda Laxton

1. Review of Provincial Events Commitments

Annual Conference: 2018 - Board (Humber College), 2019 - COMA (Ottawa), 2020 - PRMA/SAME
2021 - SWOAME & TEAMS interested (Since the meeting TEAMS has stepped up to the plate)
OMO: 2018 – CHAMP, 2019 – ISOMA, 2020 - ??, 2021 - ??
Notes:

- OAME 2021: SWOAME & TEAMS (whoever gets paperwork in first!)
- Could WOMA use help planning an event to help generate interest in members to take an active role

2. Pay It Forward Ideas: (for excess funds at end of year)

- Offering a $750? bursary to each Chapter to be used towards a conference (members are eligible to enter a draw to win, lottery style?)
  - If attending, provide receipt
  - If they cannot attend, the bursary must be passed to another registered member who can use it in a conference
- Extra money could be borrowed by a local Chapter to fund travel, accommodations etc. for OMO competitions etc.
- Do Chapters pay to send their teams to OMO? (Some Boards pay, some Chapters pay - depends on the Chapter)
- Investing in Chapters - consideration: paying back b/c of 2015
- Chapter Reps: compose a proposal for what the funding would be used for (for accountability? Is this needed?)
  - Money to fund a speaker
  - Amount should depend on the (distance/needs?) of the Chapter, expense of the speaker, etc.
  - Chapter should decide based on their own needs how to spend the money
  - Use money to send the previous year's OAME organising committee to attend the next year's OAME as well - help keep momentum and numbers from disappearing
  - Supporting individual members does help support the Chapter… *Keep thinking!!*
- Attach a financial award to our OAME awards as well
- Award prizes at OAME Annual Conference from OAME - Chromebooks, Smartboards etc to teachers - draw form

3. OMO Gender Equity Question

- Proposed: "maximum of two students of any specific gender identity"

- Current language in 2018: “Two members who identify as girls and two who identify as boys, one in each of grades 7 and 8.”

4. OAME Support for Math Awards
- Non-OAME Math Awards available (e.g., Prime Minister’s Awards, Margaret Sinclair, OTIP, OTF, etc.)
- Bring the Margaret Sinclair Award (awarded by the Fields Institute) back to the (Elementary/Secondary/College/University) classroom teacher
- Should OAME list and promote these “other” awards as well - bringing awareness in general to our awards as well as others

5. Award Nomination Process
- Complete the Nominee and Nominator information section below. Nominator may include a 1 page letter of recommendation.
- Provide up to 3 letters of support, of no more than 2 pages each, in 12 point font. These supporting documents may be gathered from a variety of sources to reveal a full picture of the nominee. Provide examples that address the criteria below.
- The nominations will be assessed according to this criteria.
- The scoring in the ‘rubric’ will be 1 to 4 instead of 0 to 5.

STANDING ITEM(S) for Board Consideration:

1. OAME 2021
2. OMO 2020
3. OMO Gender Issue

Should the wording change to “maximum of two students of any specific gender identity”?

4. OAME posting math awards on website

Should we provide links to other awards on our website?

Responses:

3. Gender Issue
- For “no gender identification” could be more than two…?
- Support for changing the language
- Do we put conditions at all about gender? Leave it open and not stated at all?
- Possible ad-hoc committee for OMO?
- Try it for one year without stating gender requirements? Just grade requirements?
- What is the purpose/focus of OMO? Is it collaboration and diversity or smartest kids compete no matter what?
- Chapters need to know early in order to plan housing needs, supervisors etc

4. Awards
- Support those who approach us first to advertise
- Easy to create links, more difficult to keep updating information

SPaRC

Present: Pat Kehoe, Bill Otto, Fred Ferneyhough, Jacqueline Hill

1. Welcome Jacqueline Hill to our Committee
2. Update of Recent Work of the Constitution Committee

-Critical Paths are mostly complete and housed in a Google Doc . Directors can access and share as necessary

3. Issues with Ownership and Storing of Files

- The Currect constitution files (Constitution and Terms of Reference) are stored on the OAME website. Our group needs to check that the documents are complete and correct. Bill and Fred agreed to do this.
- The june meeting will be the last meeting for Pat to sit on the Board of Directors. She needs to go through her OAME files and delete any that are no longer needed/relevant. Other files need to be kept and will be stored in cloud space managed by the Directors. Pat needs to find out how to transfer ownership of these documents and pass them on to Fred as Executive Director. Pat will consult committee if she has any doubt as to which files need to be deleted and which need to be archived.

-Eventually all committees need to examine their files related to the OAME organization and follow the same process as described above.

4. Changes to the Executive

The executive has asked SPaRC to investigate a timeline and procedure for changing the office of the President from one year to two years.

-As Fred and Bill proofread the constitution documents they will keep an eye out for any changes that would be required

-Fred and Bill will discuss these changes with our committee in a virtual meeting before the May Executive meeting. They will then present a timeline and any required motions to the executive in May and to the board meeting in June in preparation for the AGM in October.

- The timeline for the change to the President’s term that was discussed at the Executive table is shown in the table below.

Year	Past President	President	President Elect
2018-2019	Jill	David	Paul
2019-20	David	Paul	Person X
2020-21	Paul	Person X	empty

2021-2022	empty	Person X	Person Y
2022-2023	Person X	Person Y	Empty

-Cons:

A) The Past president organizes the Leadership conference.

Solution: During their first year as Past President they would organize the Leadership Conference in a location of their choosing. During the second year the when the Past President role is empty, the OAME exec will look after the organization of the Leadership Conference (probably in Toronto in a set location).

B) The Past President is in charge of OAME Elections Solution: Assign this job to the P/PP or PE/PP.

-Pros:

A) Cost saving. There will be one less person on the executive

B) People who have served as President all agree that the one year term as President is not enough time to implement their vision. The two year term will provide this time

5. Person Emeritus on the Executive

-Discussion by SPaRC of the creation of a new member of the executive which would be a 'position emeritus'. The purpose of this position is to help maintain the corporate knowledge base for the organization . They would be a non-voting member appointed by the executive.

Written/Oral Reports **ONLY if needed** *Please email your report to EDs@oame.on.ca by Mar.16, 2018, for inclusion in the agenda.*

- Outreach – Sandra Jean Price
- Communications – David Petro
- Chapter Representatives – Lynda Ferneyhough
- Strategic Planning – Bill Otto & Fred Ferneyhough
- Curriculum Committee –Jill Lazarus & Judy Mendaglio
- Executive Directors' Report – Lynda Ferneyhough
- OAME 2018 Conference – Wayne Erdman
- Leadership 2018 – David Petro
- Ministry of Education – Alison Macaulay
- OTF/Ministry of Education Subject Association – Judy Mendaglio
- Field's Institute –Judy Mendaglio
- Math Knowledge Network- Judy Mendaglio
- NCTM – Jacqueline Hill
- Nominations – Judy Mendaglio
- OMCA – Bart Vanslack
- OERS – David Petro