

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MAA SECTIONS

2005-2006 Year

Deadline for returning this report: June 30, 2006 or within 30 days of your spring section meeting, whichever is first.

Please complete the form by filling in the requested information.

The completed file should be e-mailed to NHagelgans@Ursinus.edu

(and copied to Hal Nesbitt at HNesbitt@MAA.org).

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Who will be your section's official section representative at the Section Officers Meeting at MathFest on Thursday, August 10, 2006 in Knoxville? Your representative may request partial support from MAA.

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1. How many times per year does your section publish a newsletter? __3

Does your section send out other mailings? If so, describe.

There is a section list serve that is available when messages need to reach section members other than via the newsletter. There are no other mailings that are done via snail mail.

How do you send your newsletter (U. S. mail, email to all or most members, web site posting)?

One newsletter is postal mailed and available electronically on the section website. The other two newsletters are only published electronically on the web site.

2. Does your section sponsor activities other than section meetings (e.g., summer workshops or short courses)? No

3. The Board of Governors has instructed the MAA to collect and report data on the participation of women in MAA activities. Please supply the following for your section.

Number of officers: 8

Number of officers who are women: 3

Number of committee chairs: 9

Number of committee chairs who are women: 4

4. This item is specifically about your section meeting. If your section had more than one meeting this year, please duplicate and answer questions 4A through 4K for each meeting.

4A. Date(s) of meeting: February 16-18, 2006

4B. Location of meeting: Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, Louisiana

4C. Attendance (Indicate numbers by category.)

Total: 235

MAA members: NEED NUMBER

Two-year college faculty: 6

Four-year college/university faculty: 106

Undergraduate students: 101

Graduate students: 6

Business/industry/government:

High school teachers: 2

4D. Sessions

Number of invited speakers: 2

Number of women invited speakers: 1

Number of non-student contributed papers: NEED NUMBER

Number of women who gave contributed papers: NEED NUMBER

Number of undergraduate student papers: NEED NUMBER

Number of undergraduate women student papers: NEED NUMBER

Number of graduate student papers: NEED NUMBER

Number of graduate women student papers: NEED NUMBER

Number of panel organizers: NEED NUMBER

Number of women who organized panels: NEED NUMBER

Number of panelists: NEED NUMBER

Number of women panelists: NEED NUMBER

4E. Were there workshops or short courses at the meeting? No

4F. Fees for the meeting NEED NUMBERS

MAA member registration fee: _____

Non-member registration fee: _____

Student registration fee: _____

Other registration fees (specify): _____

Workshop/short course fee: _____

Exhibitors' fee: _____

4G. At this meeting, was there:

...a meeting/session for MAA departmental liaisons? _____
Yes, a breakfast meeting.

...a meeting/session for department chairs? _____
Yes, a luncheon

...an MAA book sale? _____
Yes
...a luncheon and/or banquet? _____
Yes, a banquet on Friday

...other social events? _____

...student activities (e. g., competition, poster session, paper session)? _____
There was a student integration bee on Thursday evening, a student team competition on Friday morning, and student contributed papers on Friday afternoon.

4H. Does your section offer special recognition to student presenters at the section meetings in addition to the MAA membership or book contributed by national MAA? NO

4I. Describe any aspect of the meeting that was particularly successful or noteworthy.
ANY IDEAS

4J. List names, topics and contact information (affiliations, states, email addresses) of your invited speakers. Include any honoraria given to speakers, and provide specific amounts.

I KNOW NAMES, BUT DON'T KNOW CONTACT INFO AND HONORARIA

4K. Were there particularly outstanding speakers or presenters at your section's events whom you would recommend to other sections or to national program committees? _____ List names, and if not written above, their topics, affiliations, states, and email addresses.

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5. Did your section make awards for distinguished teaching or distinguished service this year?
Yes

If so, list the awards and awardees, and comment on the selection processes.
The section outstanding teaching award was given to Randall Wills from Southeastern Louisiana University. The teaching award committee made the selection.

6. Does your section have a section NExT project? Yes

If so, how is it funded and what sort of NExT activities have there been?

We currently have funding from National NExT, but will be able to continue to support the program with section funds. The program consists of special sessions on Friday mornings.

Does your section have a section ACCESS project? No _____

Did ACCESS fellows in your section participate? No _____

7. Does your section recognize high scorers in mathematics competitions? No _____

8. Describe any new, noteworthy, or particularly successful event or activity of your section this year.

9. Describe any public awareness activities organized by your section.

10. How are MAA Student Chapters involved in the activities of your section?

Not in any particular way. If schools have student chapters it is hoped that they will encourage the students to participate in the student competition.

What support do you provide for MAA Student Chapters?

11. Did your section have special programs for students (e. g., careers conference) ? Yes _____ If so, describe.

There was a career panel.

11A. Programs or activities for undergraduate students

11B. Programs or activities for graduate students

12. What does your section do to raise funds to support its programs and activities? Registration fees for the conference.

13. To what extent does your section use electronic services (email, www) for communication with section members and promotion of section activities?

We use electronic communication on a regular basis.

14. Does your section have a Liaison Coordinator? Yes _____

Describe ways in which your section utilized MAA/Departmental Liaisons.

15. Recommend several section members for membership in national MAA committees. Indicate an area of interest (such as education, publications, or administration) rather than a specific committee for each person you recommend. See the list of areas at

<http://www.maa.org/Aboutmaa/commlist.html> and then look at the committees within each area.

Write a brief biography of each recommended person; include service to your MAA section and to MAA in general. You may recommend yourself.

16. Are there concerns that your section would like to bring to the attention of the Committee on Sections or to the MAA Headquarters office?

17. What additional services or improvements in existing services provided by the Committee on Sections or MAA Headquarters do you suggest?