

Mathematical Reviews Editorial Committee

General Description

- Committee is standing
- Number of members is eight, including the Executive Director and the Associate Treasurer who serve as *ex officio*, non-voting members.
- Term is four years

Principal Activities

MREC is charged with giving scientific advice to the staff of Math Reviews (MR), to further its goal of providing the international mathematics research community with timely and complete coverage of the mathematics research literature. The advice should concern issues including:

- The scope of coverage.
- The amount and quality of reviewing and general editorial concerns about content of the databases.
- Evaluation of editorial policy, to be sure it provides adequate and useful information to the mathematical community.
- Priorities for proposed developments to the database.

The committee also serves as an oversight committee for the associate editors of Mathematical Reviews and, in conjunction with the administrative staff, reviews the editorial functions of the editors.

Other Activities

Miscellaneous Information

The chair will be elected by the Council, upon nomination by the Editorial Boards Committee. Other members are appointed by the President upon the recommendation of the EBC. The chair of this committee attends Council meetings. The committee meets once a year, typically in October, in Ann Arbor, for one day.

Traditionally, one member of the committee has been from the Ann Arbor campus of the University of Michigan.

Travel reimbursement for this committee has been designated at **LEVEL P**. This is a “full travel support” committee. If traveling from a permanent domicile outside of North America, business class travel may be allowed **with prior approval** of the Executive Director and the Secretary.

From the charge to the Editorial Boards Committee:

The [Editorial Boards] Committee shall recommend appointees to certain editorial committees to the AMS President and the Council. To that end, it shall solicit suggestions for those editorial committees by consulting with managing editors, current editorial committees, and other interested parties. The committee should take into account both the interests of the publications and the overall interests of the Society.

Note to the Chair

Work done by committees on recurring problems may have value as precedent or work done may have historical interest. Because of this, the Council has requested that a central file system be maintained for the Society by the Secretary. Committees are reminded that records of work should be kept and submitted annually to the Secretary for archival purposes. Confidential material should be noted, so that it can be handled in a confidential manner.

Authorization

The Committee was established in 1939.

4/88 Council approved increasing the committee from three to four members (Item 4.1).

1/94 Council approved increasing the committee from four to six members and that at least two members total are from outside North America (Item 3.15.1).

1/13 Council approved expanding membership from six to eight members with the addition of the Executive Director and the Associate Treasurer as non-voting ex officio members.

1/16 Council approved a slight modification in the Miscellaneous information concerning a member from the University of Michigan.

Updated: 4/88; 6/90; 10/90; 8/94; 5/95; 1996, 3/99; 1/03; 8/09; 1/12; 8/12; 1/13; 7/13 members, travel support, and Note to Chair.

09 January 2018 Council Item 4.7.3: Clarified appointment process.

Past Members

A list of current and past members is available here:

<http://www.ams.org/about-us/governance/committees/mathreview-past.html>