

AMERICAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL

19 April 1990

Abstract

The Council of the American Mathematical Society met at 7:00 pm on Thursday, 19 April 1990 at the Sheraton Old Town Hotel, 800 Rio Grande Boulevard NW, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Members present were Jonathan Alperin, Steve Armentrout, Salah Baouendi, Joan Birman, Lenore Blum, William Browder, Charles Herbert Clemens, Lawrence Corwin, Robert Fossum, Richard K. Guy, Rhonda Hughes, Robion Kirby, Irwin Kra, Franklin Peterson, Everett Pitcher, Carl Pomerance, Michael Reed, Hugo Rossi, John Selfridge (representing the Mathematical Reviews Editorial Committee), Lance Small (the voting Associate Secretary), and William Thurston. Others present were: Robert Bartle, Hyman Bass, William Jaco, Allyn Jackson, Paul J. Sally, and Kelly Sheehan. President Browder presided.

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1 MINUTES

1.1 January 90 Council.

The Minutes of the January 90 Council were distributed by mail. The Secretary noted a correction in Attachment A.1 in which the word "test" should be "Texts". With this correction noted, the minutes were approved.

1.2 Business by Mail.

In a mail ballot dated 10 January 1990 twenty-nine members of the Council voted in an election of the new member of the Executive Committee and an election of the Council's representative to the Joint Policy Board for Mathematics (JPBM). M. Salah Baouendi was elected to a four year term on the Executive Committee and Michael Reed was elected to a three year term as the Council's representative to JPBM. The attached minute was approved (Attachment A.1).

1.3 Published Programs.

By unanimous consent the Council agreed to add to the agenda the following motion that was made and seconded:

This Council disapproves of changes of the program after it is published in the *Notices*.

The motion was postponed until the August 90 meeting of the Council. The Council suggested the appointment of a committee to determine the facts. (The President appointed an *ad hoc* committee consisting of Charles Herbert Clemens, Chair, Salah Baouendi, and Irwin Kra to report to the August 90 Council.)

1.4 Change in agenda.

The Secretary moved to postpone until the August 90 meeting of the Council discussion and action on two items: Item 4.3.1 was a recommendation from the Nominating Committee to limit the number of terms an Associate Secretary could serve. Item 8.1.3 was a suggested amendment to the Bylaws limiting to five the number of consecutive terms a treasurer or associate treasurer could serve. The motion was seconded and passed.

2 INFORMATION AND RECORD

2.1 Gibbs Lecture for 1991.

The report of the Committee to Select the Gibbs Lecturer was approved by the Executive Committee. Accordingly, Professor Sir Michael Atiyah has accepted the Society's invitation to hold the 1991 Gibbs Lecture during the Annual Meeting in San Francisco.

2.2 AMS Centennial Fellowships.

The Committee on Centennial Fellowships submitted its report to the Secretary. The top three candidates were offered and accepted the AMS Centennial Fellowships for the 1990/91 academic year. These are: Michael Anderson, SUNY at Stony Brook; Carolyn Gordon, Washington University; and Steven Mitchell, University of Washington.

The committee made recommendations to improve the advertising of these fellowships and to tighten up the wording in the announcements so as to encourage more applicants.

2.3 New Associate Executive Director in Providence.

A third Associate Executive Director of the Society has been appointed. William B. Woolf has assumed this position. His major responsibility will be the direction of the Society's computing services. He has already assumed the position.

2.4 Chandler Davis.

The August 89 Council asked the officers of the Society to move to ask Congress to rescind the contempt of congress citation of Chandler Davis. The attached letters and article report on the history of this case (Attachment A.3).

2.5 Future Meetings of the Council (Fossum).

The Council is scheduled to meet as follows:

- Tuesday 07 August 1990. Meets at 2:00 pm in Columbus, Ohio before the beginning of the Annual Summer Meeting.
- Tuesday 15 January 1991. Meets at 2:00 pm in San Francisco, CA before the Annual Joint Meetings.
- Thursday 21 March 1991. Meets at 7:00 pm in Tampa, Florida before the Southeastern Sectional Meeting in Tampa.
- Wednesday 07 August 1991. Meets at 2:00 pm in Orono, Maine before the beginning of the Annual Summer Meeting.

3 CONSENT AGENDA.

An item in the Consent Agenda is considered approved unless the Council agrees to discussion of the item. (Items on the Consent agenda for the Executive Committee may be brought to the floor for discussion by two members of the committee.) According to Sturgis *Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure*, which governs meetings of the Council, "Any member has a right to remove any item from the consent agenda so that it may be considered and voted on separately. The remaining items are then unanimously approved *en bloc* without discussion"

3.1 Scheduling and Procedures for Elections.

The August 89 Council considered the problems of scheduling reports of the Nominating Committee and other procedures related to the election process. It referred the matter to a committee appointed by the President for final resolution. The report of the *ad hoc* committee to consider scheduling and procedures for elections, consisting of Joan Birman, Robert Fossum, Chair, Jane Gilman, and James Maxwell, and assisted by Monica Foulkes and others on the Providence office staff (Attachment A.2) was approved by the Council (with minor editorial changes).

4 BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

4.1 Editorial Boards Committee.

The Council met in executive session to consider a report from its Editorial Boards Committee. It elected Burgess Davis to a full four year term on the Transactions and Memoirs Editorial Committee.

4.2 Nominating Committee (Weinstein).

The Council met in executive session to consider a report from its Nominating Committee. The report of the committee was adopted after which the Council instructed the Secretary to report to the Nominating Committee that the discussion on the report took one hour and fifteen minutes.

The nominations made by the Council are as follows:

NOMINATIONS OF CANDIDATES FOR OFFICES

VICE PRESIDENT

Chandler Davis	University of Toronto
Hans Weinberger	University of Minnesota

SECRETARY

Robert Fossum	University of Illinois
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ASSOCIATE SECRETARY

Joseph Cima	University of North Carolina
W. Wistar Comfort	Wesleyan University

TREASURER

Franklin Peterson	MIT
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ASSOCIATE TREASURER

Steve Armentrout	Pennsylvania State University
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TRUSTEE

Jane Gilman	Rutgers University at Newark
Susan Montgomery	University of Southern California

MEMBER-AT-LARGE

David Cox	Amherst College
John Franks	Northwestern University
Kunio Murasugi	University of Toronto
Donald Richards	University of Virginia
Lesley Sibner	Polytechnic University of New York
Ruth Williams	University of California, San Diego
Lai-Sang Young	University of Arizona

It should be noted that those members of the Council who were being considered for nomination absented themselves from the meeting when their nomination was being considered.

In addition the Council approved an ordered list of potential nominees submitted by its Nominating Committee that the Secretary would use in order to supplement the nominations for the position of Member-at-Large in case there are not enough nominations by petition to bring up the number of candidates to ten (10).

4.3 Nomination Committee.

Discussion of the Nominating Committee recommendation limiting the number of terms that an Associate Secretary may serve was postponed until the August 90 Council. The Council did discuss briefly the nominating and election process in general.

4.4 Executive Committee and Board of Trustees.

The Council, meeting in Executive Session, agreed with the Executive Committee and Board of Trustees' recommendation concerning appointment of a Director of the AMS-MAA Office of Governmental and Public Affairs.

4.5 Committee on Science Policy.

The chair of the Committee on Science Policy, Michael Reed, reported on the committee's deliberations earlier in the day. The report was received with thanks.

4.6 Report of the Executive Director.

The Executive Director, William H. Jaco, reported to the Council on activities of the Providence and Ann Arbor offices.

8 UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

8.1 Elections.

The Council considered several amendments to the Society's Bylaws to recommend to the members in the 1990 election. In the following deletions from current Bylaws are indicated by slashing through letters like this ~~Deletions from current Bylaws are indicated by slashing through letters like this~~ and insertions are denoted by underscores like this insertions are denoted by underscores.

The Society's counsel has reviewed the proposed changes and find that they are are satisfactory. The following proposed amendments were adopted:

8.1.1 Change 1. Article VII.

Section 1. The term of office shall be one year in the case of the president-elect and the ex-president; five years in the case of the trustees; two years in the case of the president, ~~the vice-president, the secretary, the associate secretaries, the treasurer, and the associate treasurer.~~ the secretary, the associate secretaries, the treasurer, and the associate treasurer. The term of office in the case of members of the editorial Committees and appointed members of the communications Committees shall be four years for the *Proceedings* and the *Transactions* and *Memoirs* Committees and three years for the remaining Committees, except that when the size of an editorial or communications committee is changed, the Council may authorize the appointment of a member for a shorter term. The term of office for vice-presidents and members-at-large of the Council shall be three years, one of the vice-presidents and five of the members-at-large retiring annually. All terms of office shall begin on ~~January~~ February 1 and terminate on ~~January~~ January 31 with the exception that the officials specified in Articles I, II, III, IV, and V (excepting the president-elect and ex-president) shall continue to serve until their successors have been duly elected or appointed and qualified.

The change concerning term of office for vice-presidents was adopted by the January 90 Council. The added amendment adopted here changes the date when the term of office begins from the current 01 January to 01 February (so is effective after the Annual Meeting). The ending dates of the term are changed accordingly.

8.1.2 Change 2. Article VII

Section 4. On or before ~~January~~ February 15, the secretary shall send to all members of the Council for a mail vote a ballot containing two names for each place to be filled on the Executive Committee. The nominees shall be chosen by a committee

appointed by the president. Members of the Council may vote for persons not nominated. Any member of the Council who is not an *ex officio* member of the Executive Committee (see Article V, Section 1) shall be eligible for election to the Executive Committee. In case a member is elected to the Executive Committee for a term extending beyond the regular term on the Council, that person shall automatically continue as a member of the Council during the remainder of that term on the Executive Committee.

Since the terms of office will begin on 01 February, the date for mailing ballots for election of the member of the Council's executive committee also had to be changed.

8.1.3 Change 3. Article VII.

The January 90 Council proposed a limit on the number of consecutive terms a treasurer or associate treasurer may serve. Discussion on this item was postponed until the August 90 Council meeting.

8.1.4 Change 4. Article IX.

Section 8. After retirement from active service on account of age or on account of long term disability, any ordinary or contributing member who is not in arrears of dues and with membership extending over at least twenty years may, by giving proper notification to the secretary, have dues remitted on the anniversary of the date of membership with the association. Such a member shall receive the Notices by the association and may request to receive the Bulletin as privileges of membership during each year until membership ends.

This amendment was adopted by the January 90 Council and appears here in order to complete this list of amendments to the Bylaws being proposed by the Council for the 1990 election.

8.1.5 Campaigning for elections.

The Council discussed, but did not act, on this item.

9 NEW BUSINESS

9.1 AMS-ASA-IMS-MAA-NCTM-SIAM Committee on Women in the Mathematical Sciences.

This is a joint committee of the societies named: The American Mathematical Society, the American Statistical Association, the Institute for Mathematical Statistics, the Mathematical Association of America, the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, and the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics. It has been observed that while the Association for Women in Mathematics (AWM) has a representative on this committee, it is not a co-sponsor of the committee. The Council agreed to request of the other cosponsors of this committee that AWM be invited to join as a cosponsor of the Committee on Women in the Mathematical Sciences.

9.2 Name change for the Far Western Section.

The name of that section of the Society that is adjacent to the Pacific ocean is the "Far Western Section". The Council agreed to change the name of this section to "Western Section". The names of the sections are now: East, Southeast, Central, West.

9.3 Moroccan Mathematical Society.

The President received an invitation to attend the Constituting Congress of the Moroccan Mathematical Society (*Société Mathématique du Maroc*), to be held in Rabat, Morocco in July 1990. The Council passed the following resolution:

To the Moroccan Mathematical Society

The Council of the American Mathematical Society extends best wishes for a successful future on the occasion of your founding on 10 July 1990. It looks forward to cooperation with you in the promotion of the mathematical sciences.

9.4 Anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union.

The Council discussed the new wave of anti-Semitism in the Soviet mathematical community and more broadly and how it should and might affect relations between the Society and Soviet mathematicians. It agreed that the President would appoint a committee to determine whether or not Soviet mathematicians will be denied access to Society projects in the Soviet Union on the basis of race, religion, or national origin and that the committee would report back to the Council as soon as possible.

The Council adjourned at 11:35 pm.

A Attachments

A.1 Business by Mail.

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BUSINESS BY MAIL

06 March 1990

In mail ballots dated 10 January 1990 there were twenty-nine ballots cast by Jonathan L. Alperin, Steve Armentrout, Sheldon Axler, M. Salah Baouendi, Sun-Yung Alice Chang, Fan R. K. Chung, Joseph A. Cima, Charles Herbert Clemens, W. Wistar Comfort, Robert M. Fossum, Walter Gautschi, Richard K. Guy, Rhonda J. Hughes, Robion C. Kirby, Andy Roy Magid, Albert Marden, M. Susan Montgomery, F. P. Peterson, Everett Pitcher, Carl Pomerance, Murray H. Protter, Michael C. Reed, Hugo Rossi, David J. Saltman, Harold M. Stark, B. A. Taylor, William Thurston, William Veech, and Shing-Tung Yau.

There are 40 members of the Council so more than half of the Council voted.

In the election to the Executive Committee the result was

M. Salah Baouendi	15
Harold M. Stark	14

Accordingly, Baouendi was elected.

In the election of the Council representative to the Joint Policy Board for Mathematics the result was

Jonathan Alperin	11
Michael Reed	18

Accordingly, Reed was elected.

Robert M. Fossum
Secretary

A.2 The Schedule of the Election Process.

A.2.1 The Nominating Committee.

COMMITTEE ON SCHEDULING NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Joan Birman
Robert Fossum, Chair
Jane Gilman
James Maxwell

Executive Summary: This report is divided into several parts. The main component, which is below, contains an outline of the report and expands on several of its recommendations. A part of this report is the “charge” to the Nominating Committee. Each committee of the Society has an official charge that details the composition of the committee, its principal activities, its authorization, and any other pertinent information concerning the committee. Adoption of the charge to the Nominating Committee that is attached means that the committee’s duties and activities would be prescribed by its contents. Finally there is attached a “flow chart” for use by the staff in Providence for the production of that part of the *Notices* that concerns the election process.

Here are several highlights and main points of the report:

Nominating Committee. The newly elected members of the Nominating Committee will take office on 01 January of the year after election and begin to function immediately. The committee will meet in January during the Annual Meeting of the Society and submit its report to the Spring Council meeting. When a President-Elect is to be elected, the committee will secure two candidates and a nominator for each. This nominator will write an article for the *Notices* describing the candidate’s mathematical accomplishments and giving a brief biographical sketch.

Nominations by Petition. Material for nominations by petition that normally appears in the March and later issues of the *Notices* will appear in the November through February issues of *Notices*. The deadline for completing the nomination by petition process will be set to insure that Nominations by petition will be considered at the same Council meeting as the report of the Nominating Committee.

Council. The Council will complete **ALL** of its nominations for election at the Spring meeting so that election material can appear in the *Notices* in the July/August issue.

NOTICES. The complete slate for the election, including the nomination articles if there is a presidential election, biographies, and candidates’ statements will appear in the July/August issue of the *Notices* or in an issue mailed before ballots are mailed.

Nominating Committee. The “Charge” to the Nominating Committee is attached to this report. It describes the duties of the committee as revised by recent Council action.

One of the items of discussion raised by the *ad hoc* Committee on Election Scheduling was when the newly elected members of the Nominating Committee should take office. That newly elected members take office and begin to participate in the business of the committee immediately after election is an advantage over waiting at least a year before beginning the work, which was the recommendation of that committee. Thus it is recommended that newly elected members take office on 01 January after election.

The flow chart for a member of the Nominating Committee looks like this:

YEAR	MONTH	ACTIVITY
$N - 1$	FEB	Nominations from the President
	MAR	Candidates agree to stand for election
	APR	Slate to Council for information
	JUNE	Biographies finished and ready for the <i>Notices</i> .
	SEPT	Ballots are sent
	NOV	Ballots Counted and Winners announced
N	JAN	Meeting of Committee at Annual Meeting
	FEB	Prepare report of Nominating Committee
	APR	Council Meeting
$N + 1$	SEPT	Begin Preparation for Next year
	JAN	Meeting of Committee at Annual Meeting
	FEB	Prepare report of Nominating Committee
	APR	Council Meeting
$N + 2$	SEPT	Begin Preparation for Next year
	JAN	Meeting of Committee at Annual Meeting
	FEB	Prepare report of Nominating Committee
	APR	Council Meeting
	SEPT	Begin Preparation for Next year
	DEC	Term Ends

The Nominating Committee will thus have a face-to-face meeting at each Annual Meeting before preparing the report due for the Spring Council meeting.

One reason for suggesting that newly elected members take office late in the year after election has been that the members are elected in the fall of each year and the winners of the election are known only after 10 November. It has been perceived that this causes a hardship for both the winners and losers in the election because they either have not registered for the Annual Meeting and have not made travel plans or they have done so and then don't want to come. This problem involves at most six people. The Meetings Department has agreed to make “reservations” at hotels for those candidates who do not preregister for the meeting and to refund full preregistration fees for those candidates who lose the election and decide not to attend the meeting. Transportation to the meeting is paid by the Society. Thus even if a candidate has not made travel plans and must do so in late November perhaps at a greater cost than if done so earlier, there is no monetary loss to the member. Candidates will be advised not to make travel arrangements that involve a penalty for cancellation and to make arrangements with the Meetings Department concerning advanced registration and hotel reservations.

Nominations by Petition. The Society invites nominations by petition for the positions of Vice-President, Member-at-Large of the Council, Nominating Committee, and the Editorial Boards Committee. The information and procedures for this process are published in the *Notices*. In the past this process has begun in the March issue of the *Notices* and the final stages are complete only in time for the August Council meeting. One reason for having a deadline in July was so that members could determine first who had been nominated by the Council before deciding whether a nomination by petition was necessary. A new schedule for the nomination by petition process is given below. It is designed so that nominations by petition will be available for consideration by the Spring Council meeting. Thus nominations by petition will be merged with the Nominating Committee report at the Spring Council meeting. Nominees by petition are required to submit agreements to run along with the petitions. The slate of candidates for all positions should be completed at this Council meeting.

NEW SCHEDULE FOR NOMINATION BY PETITION FOR ELECTION IN YEAR *N*.

YEAR	MONTH	ACTIVITY
<i>N</i> – 1	NOV	<i>NNNN</i> AMS Elections
		Rules and Procedures and Petition form. Deadline in late FEB
<i>N</i> – 1	DEC	<i>NNNN</i> AMS Elections
		Rules and Procedures and Petition form. Deadline in late FEB
<i>N</i>	JAN	<i>NNNN</i> AMS Elections
		Rules and Procedures and Petition form. Deadline in late FEB
<i>N</i>	FEB	<i>NNNN</i> AMS Elections
		Rules and Procedures and Petition form. Deadline in late FEB
<i>N</i>	MAR	<i>NNNN</i> AMS Elections—Nothing necessary
<i>N</i>	APR	<i>NNNN</i> AMS Elections—Nothing necessary
<i>N</i>	MAY/JUN	<i>NNNN</i> AMS Elections
		The Complete slate is known and published along with voting information
<i>N</i>	JUL/AUG	<i>NNNN</i> AMS Elections
		All election information is published—bios, statements of candidates

Council. The Spring Council meeting will receive the report of the Nominating Committee along with the nominations by petition. The Council will adopt a complete slate of candidates for the election at this meeting. The Nominating Committee should have in hand agreements from its recommended candidates to stand for election.

Preliminary biographical information will be provided to the Spring Council. President's candidates for Nominating Committee and Editorial Boards Committee (and any nominees by petition for those Committees) will be presented to the April Council for information, together with biographical information. *Notices*. The July/August issue of the *Notices* will contain biographies of all candidates, their statements, and other information concerning the election. In the year there is election of a President-Elect, two nominating articles, written by the "nominators" will also appear in this issue.

Ballots. The ballots along with all the biographies and nominating articles will be mailed to the members so that ballots are received by 10 October (thirty days before 10 November). The material sent along with the ballots might possibly be taken directly from the *Notices*, perhaps reduced down so as to save mailing expenses. What will eventually be sent will certainly depend upon the bulk and what will be useful to members in order to vote intelligently.

A.2.2 The Charge to the Nominating Committee.**Nominating Committee**

COMMITTEE IS STANDING.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS IS (STABLY) NINE.

TERM IS THREE YEARS BEGINNING ON 01 JANUARY AFTER YEAR OF ELECTION.

Principal Activities. The Nominating Committee recommends¹ to the Council a slate of officers for election in the Fall election.

1. Every odd year the committee recommends two nominees for election to the position of President-Elect as well as a "Nominator" for each candidate.
2. Every year the committee recommends two nominees for election to the position of Vice-President.
3. Every year the committee recommends up to ten nominees for election to the position of Member-at-Large of the Council.
4. Every even year the committee recommends at least one nominee for election to the position of Treasurer, at least one nominee for the position of Associate Treasurer, and at least one nominee for the Position of Secretary.
5. Every year the committee recommends at least one nominee for election to the position of Associate Secretary for each of two sections of the Society.
6. Every year the committee nominates two candidates for election by the Council to the Committee to Monitor Problems in Communications.
7. Every even year the committee nominates three candidates for election by the Council to the Notices Editorial Committee.
8. Every year the committee nominates one candidate for election by the Council to the Colloquium Committee.
9. The committee makes other recommendations and nominations as requested by the Council.

One of the duties involved in making these recommendations is to acquire from potential nominees willingness to stand for election and serve if elected.

¹The Council is charged with the task of actually "nominating" the candidates for election. This is why the term "recommends" is used in the items. (The Council has been known to change a recommendation, but this has happened only infrequently.)

Remarks. In the following, the comment numbered **N** applies to item **N.** above.

1 In each odd year a new President-Elect is elected. The President-Elect serves in this position for one year, then serves as President for two years, and then serves as Ex-President for one year. The Council has requested that there be a contested election for this position, at least for the elections in 1991, 1993, and 1995 after which it will examine how well contested elections work. The committee is charged with reporting to the Council of January 1996 its experience with contested elections for the presidency. This report might contain information such as how many persons declined to run because the position is contested, how difficult it has been to obtain “nominators”, and the committee’s views on the matter.

1^{bis}. For each candidate for the Presidency there should be an article appearing in the *Notices* extolling the mathematical and other virtues of the candidate. It has been suggested that to have such an article published should be of such a great honor that even losing the election would not matter. That such an article will be published should be sufficient in order to convince a person to be nominated. Thus the choice of a “nominator” who would be willing to write such an article is of almost as important a task as finding a candidate for the presidency. The choice of the first few nominators is especially vital, since they will set the standard for future nominators. It is envisioned that a nominating article would contain an overview of the mathematical contributions of the nominee as well as some biographical information. The article might run from 5 to 8 printed pages. The Council suggests that the nominee have input into the choice of a nominator.

Contested Positions. The positions of Vice-President and Member-at-Large of the Council are contested. The Nominating Committee normally recommends two candidates for each position. However candidates can also be recommended to the Council by petition. The petition procedure begins in November of the year before an election when the forms and rules are published in the *Notices*. The deadlines for receiving nominations by petition will be adjusted so as to approximate the deadline for the report of the Nominating Committee. Thus, if there are n nominees by petition for Member-at-Large, then the Nominating Committee may wish to recommend $10 - n$ candidates. In the past, the Nominating Committee has recommended $2 \times$ the number of positions for Vice-President and nominations by petition have then been added, so that there were more candidates on the ballot than $2 \times$ the number of positions. The Council will merge the list of recommendations from its Nominating Committee with nominations by petition.

4. If there is to be a change in any of these positions, then the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee, and the Council will provide explicit instructions as to how changes are to be made. Normally incumbents in these positions will be renominated.

5. If there is to be a change in any of these positions, then the Executive Committee and/or the Council will provide explicit instructions as to how changes are to be made. In the past, it has been customary to renominate incumbent Associate Secretaries.

6. The Committee to Monitor Problems in Communication has a broad charge. It elects its own chair who then becomes a member of the Council. Members serve for a three year term, with three members retiring each year.

7. In each even year the Nominating Committee nominates three candidates for Council election to the Notices Editorial Committee (NEC). The three candidates are presented as a slate

and the Council has the opportunity to accept or reject the whole slate. There are six (6) elected members of this committee. The Secretary is the *ex-officio* chair of the Committee. Members serve for four years. In the past, the NEC has had the task of accepting or rejecting Letters to the Editor, so it was felt that a balance of views was required. Thus the "slate" approach to the election process. Now however the procedures for considering letters has changed. There may still be a need to have several points of view represented on the NEC.

8. The Colloquium Committee is one of the committees listed in the Bylaws as an "editorial committee". It has three members each serving a three year term, one member retiring annually. The Editorial Boards Committee, which makes nominations to the Council of candidates for election to various editorial boards has decided that the Nominating Committee should make the annual nomination of the member to be elected to this committee. The Colloquium Committee makes recommendations of Colloquium Speakers to the Executive Committee. In the past it had editorial responsibility for the Colloquium Publication Series.

Miscellaneous Information. The Committee usually meets at the Annual Meeting and makes several reports annually to the Council. Travel expenses for attending this meeting are reimbursed. The chair of the committee is requested to attend the meetings of the Council at which reports of the committee are submitted. Other work by the committee is done by mail, telephone, electronic mail. Expenses incurred for these are also reimbursed.

Election to membership on the Nominating Committee. Three members are elected to the committee each year in the Annual Election by the Membership. The President nominates candidates. Candidates may also be nominated by petition, a process that runs parallel to the nomination by petition for other contested positions of the Council.

Chair of the Committee. The President appoints the chair of the Committee.

Authorization. Committee was established in 1955.

Procedures have been changed over the years, the most recent in April 1990.

A.2.3 NOTICES Election Material.

FLOW CHART FOR PRODUCTION OF
NOTICES ELECTION MATERIALS

This “production schedule” is based on an old schedule. The dates are only approximate. It is intended as a guide so that members of the Nominating Committee, Council, and production and other staff can get a feeling about the deadlines that must be met in order to fulfill the obligation to get the election material into the *Notices* before ballots are mailed to members.

Issue	Mailing date	Material finished	Material required
JAN	12/27	11/22	Info on Nom by Pet, Forms and Deadline
FEB	01/31	12/26	Info on Nom by Pet, Forms and Deadline
MAR			Begin collecting bios on potential nom Previous year’s Election Results in Notices.
APR			Continue collecting bios on potential nom
MAY/JUN	05/23	04/18	List of Council nominees and candidates for Nominating Committee and Editorial Boards Committee Prepare bios, statements, articles for final production
JUL/AUG	07/11	06/05	bios, statements, nom.articles
SEP	Nothing needed		
OCT	Nothing needed		
NOV	10/31	09/27	Info on Nom by Pet, Forms for next year
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A.3 Chandler Davis.

NOTICE:

This seven-page attachment contains

- the copy of a letter from Chandler Davis to Todd Nichols dated April 9, 1984, regarding a move conducted in 1983 by Julia Robinson, then President of the AMS, to get Chandler Davis' contempt of Congress citation rescinded;
- the copy of Julia Robinson's letter to The Honorable Claudine Schneider, member of the US House of Representatives, asking her to intercede on Chandler Davis' behalf;
- the copy of a news release from California Congressman Don Edwards regarding the case of Frank Wilkinson, the last man to go to prison for defying the House Committee on Un-American Activities;
- a clipping from the New York Times of Friday, February 24, 1989, related to the Wilkinson case;
- a clipping from the Champaign-Urbana News-Gazette of Sunday, February 18, 1990, in which Chandler Davis' case is cited as part of an article about a movement to make amends to victims of McCarthyism.

A hardcopy of this material is available from

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