# AMERICAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY 

# COUNCIL MINUTES 

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#### Abstract

The Council of the American Mathematical Society met at 9:00 AM on Saturday, 07 January 1995, in the San Francisco Hilton Hotel. The meeting recessed at 11:00 AM in order that the officers and members could attend the Business Meetings of the Mathematical Association of America and the Business Meeting of the Society. It sat again at 1:15 PM.

Members present during at least some portion of the meeting: Joan Birman, Ruth Charney, Carl Cowen, Jr., Robert Daverman, Robert Fossum, John Franks, Walter Gautschi, Ronald Graham, Phillip Hanlon, Svetlana Katok, Linda Keen, Irwin Kra, Steve Krantz, Robert Lazarsfeld, Peter Li, Elliott Lieb, Andy Roy Magid (voting Associate Secretary), Cathleen Morawetz, Frank Morgan, Richard Palais, Franklin Peterson, Marc Rieffel, Norberto Salinas, Peter Shalen, Lance Small, B. A. Taylor, Jean Taylor, Sylvia Wiegand, and Susan Gayle Williams. President Graham presided.

AMS Staff, committee chairs, Canadian Mathematical Society representatives, trustees, and others attending the meeting in some official or unofficial capacity: Roy Adler (Trustee), Donald G. Babbitt (AMS staff), Salah Baouendi (Chair of Committee on the Profession), Hope H. Daly (AMS Director of Meetings), Chandler Davis (Canadian Mathematical Society representative), Ronald Douglas (Chair of Committee on Education), John Ewing (Executive Director-elect) Timothy Goggins (AMS staff), Allyn Jackson (AMS staff). Willam H. Jaco (Executive Director), Maria Klawe (Trustee), Donald Lewis (Trustee), James Lewis, Heather MacDonald (Assistant to Secretary-pro tem), James Maxwell (AMS staff), Donald McClure (Trustee-elect), Susan Montgomery (Chair, AMS Board of Trustees) John Morgan (Chair of Committee on Science Policy), John Polking (Trustee), Ann Renauer (AMS staff), Ken Ross (President-elect of MAA), Mary Beth Ruskai (Chair of Joint Committee on Women), Cora Sadosky (member-at-large elect), Ivar Stakgold (AMS staff), Raquel Storti (AMS staff), Donovan Van Osdol (Associate Secretary for Meetings of MAA), Frank Warner (Chair of Committee on Federal Policy), Steve Weintraub (former Council member-at-large), and William B. Woolf (AMS staff).


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## Part I

## AGENDA

## 0 CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS.

### 0.1 Call to Order.

The President called the meeting to order at about 9:10 AM. Members present are listed above.
The Council began in executive session to consider items 3.2, 3.3.1, and 3.3.2 below. The results of the actions taken in executive session are reported below.
The Council rose from executive session at about 10:00 AM when it began to consider the remainder of the agenda.

### 0.2 Retiring Members.

The terms of Ronald Graham as President ${ }^{1}$, Cathleen Morawetz as President-elect ${ }^{2}$, Vice-President Linda Keen, American Journal of Mathematics Editorial Committee Representative Henri Gillet, Bulletin Editorial Committee Chair Richard Palais, Journal of the AMS Editorial Committee Chair H. Blaine Lawson, Mathematical Surveys Editorial Committee Chair Marc Rieffel ${ }^{3}$, Executive Committee member Arthur Jaffe, and Members-at-Large Ruth M. Charney, Carl C. Cowen, Jr., Rebecca Herb, and Elliott H. Lieb end on 31 January 1995. This will be their last meeting in their current positions. The Secretary requested and received unanimous consent to send thanks on behalf of the Council to each of these individuals who are leaving the Council for sharing their wisdom with the Society and the Council and for their service to the mathematical community.

### 0.3 Introduction of the newly appointed Executive Director.

The President introduced John Ewing, Indiana University, who is the newly appointed Executive Director of the Society He will succeed William H. Jaco in mid-summer 1995. The Society news release announcing this appointment is attached.

### 0.4 Introduction of Newly Elected Council Members.

The individuals elected to the Council in 1994 will take office on 01 February 1995. The Secretary recommended that these newly elected members who were present be granted privileges of the floor (but without voting privileges) at this Council meeting. The request was granted. A list of newly elected members can be found below in 3.1.1.

### 0.5 Addition to the agenda.

Just after the consideration of the minutes (1.2) in open session, it was moved and seconded to place on the agenda for consideration and possible action by the Society a resolution passed by the Association of Women in Mathematics on 04 January 1995. Since this item was not on the original agenda, it was ruled by the chair that a two-thirds affirmative vote of the Council was required to place the item on the agenda, according to rules of the Council ${ }^{4}$. The vote on the motion was recorded as eleven (11) votes in favor, ten

[^0](10) opposed, and three (3) abstentions. Therefore the item was not placed on the agenda. (It was the sense of the Council that the resolution would be referred to the Committee on the Profession for possible consideration at some future meeting.)

## 1 MINUTES

### 1.1 August 94 Council.

The Minutes of the August 94 Council were distributed by mail. The Secretary requested and received approval of the minutes as distributed.

### 1.2 Minutes of Business by Mail.

There was one Business by Mail since the last meeting of the Council, that to consent to the appointment by the Board of Trustees of John Ewing as Executive Director of the Society beginning mid-summer 1995. The minute of that business is attached (Attachment B.2). It was approved.

### 1.3 11/94 Executive Committee and Board of Trustees (ECBT) Meeting.

The ECBT met in Providence, RI, in November 1994. The minutes from this meeting will have been distributed and are considered a part of the minutes of the Council.

## 2 CONSENT AGENDA.

Items appearing on the Consent Agenda are considered approved unless brought to the floor for discussion, in which case they must be approved in the usual manner. ${ }^{5}$

### 2.1 Canadian Mathematical Society.

The Canadian Mathematical Society is celebrating it Fiftieth Anniversary in 1995. To recognize this, the Council adopted the following resolution:

The Canadian Mathematical Society, founded in 1945 as the Canadian Mathematical Congress; to promote research in mathematics; to assist in improving the teaching of mathematics in Canadian universities, colleges and schools; and to encourage and assist in the development of mathematics and mathematics education, is celebrating its Fiftieth Anniversary in 1995.

The American Mathematical Society extends to its sister organization to the north warmest congratulations on this happy occasion. The Society looks forward to continued cooperation with the Canadian Mathematical Society in our common goals of promoting mathematical scholarship in North America and throughout the world.

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## 3 REPORTS OF BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES.

### 3.1 Teller for the Election of 1994.

The reports of the Teller were attached to the Executive Session agenda. (The Council has requested that this information be placed in the executive session agenda and not in the open agenda.) Newly elected persons in contested elections are as follows:

### 3.1.1 Officers, Trustees, and Members-at-Large.

| Name | Institution | Position | Term |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Gian-Carlo Rota | MIT | Vice-President | 1997 |
| Donald E. McClure | Brown University | Trustee | 1999 |
| David B. A. Epstein | University of Warwick |  |  |
| Cora Sadosky | Howard University | Member-at-Large | 1997 |
| James M. Hyman | Los Alamos National Laboratory | Member-at-Large | 1997 |
| Jerrold E. Marsden | University of California Berkeley | Member-at-Large | 1997 |
| Alice Silverberg | Ohio State University | Member-at-Large | 1997 |
|  |  | Member-at-Large | 1997 |

Lists of the 1994 and 1995 Council are attached (Attachments A. 1 and A.2).

### 3.1.2 Nominating Committee and Editorial Boards Committee

Nominating Committee. The following individuals were elected to the Nominating Committee.

| Name | Institution | Term |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Ingrid Daubechies | Princeton University | 1997 |
| Susan G. Williams | University of South Alabama | 1997 |
| Jerry L. Bona | Penn State University | 1997 |

Editorial Boards Committee. The following individuals were elected to the Editorial Boards Committee.

| Name | Institution | Term |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Rhonda J. Hughes | Bryn Mawr College | 1997 |
| Harold M. Stark | University of California San Diego | 1997 |

### 3.1.3 Amendments to the Bylaws.

The amendments to the Bylaws that were submitted to the membership for ratification were NOT approved, since there was an insufficient number of voters in the election. The Bylaws state that amendments must be approved by two-thirds of the members voting in an election in which at least ten percent of the members participated. At the time of the election, there were 29,340 individual members. There were 2833 valid ballots returned, of which 1958 voted to approve and 95 voted not to approve the amendment.

The reports of the Teller in 3.1.1, 3.1.2, and 3.1.3 were approved.

### 3.1.4 Election Process

The Secretary requested that the Council ask its Committee on the Profession to examine the various methods of distributing the ballots and propose a method that insures a higher rate of returned ballots for future elections. The Council referred this matter to the Committee on the Profession and the Secretary for further consideration.

### 3.2 Editorial Boards Committee (EBC). [EXECUTIVE SESSION]

The Editorial Boards Committee recommended election of several editors. These elections were considered in executive session.

### 3.2.1 Contemporary Mathematics Editorial Committee.

The EBC recommended the election of CLARK ROBINSON to a three year term and the re-election of PETER WINKLER to a three year term. These were approved by the Council.

### 3.2.2 Journal of the AMS.

The EBC recommended the re-election of WILLIAM FULTON for another term, which was approved by the Council.

### 3.2.3 Mathematics of Computation Editorial Committee.

The EBC recommended the election of LARS WAHLBIN as Managing Editor of Mathematics of Computation with term beginning on 01 February 1996 (at the expiration of the term of Walter Gautschi). This election was approved by the Council.

### 3.2.4 Colloquium Editorial Committee.

The EBC recommended the election of SHLOMO STERNBERG and WOLFGANG M. SCHMIDT to three year terms on the Colloquium Editorial Committee. These elections were approved by the Council.

### 3.2.5 Electronic Research Announcements.

The EBC recommended the appointment of Svetlana Katok as Managing Editor for the Electronic Research Announcements. This is a new position which required Council approval. The remaining members of the editorial board are appointed by the President after consultation with the EBC and the Managing Editor. The appointment of Katok was approved by the Council.

### 3.3 Executive Committee and Board of Trustees (ECBT).

### 3.3.1 Appointment of Officers [EXECUTIVE SESSION].

The Executive Committee and Board of Trustees recommended election of several officers of the Society. These elections were considered in executive session.

Associate Secretary for the Central Section. The ECBT recommended the election of SUSAN FRIEDLANDER to a two year term as Associate Secretary for the Central Section. The Council approved by electing Friedlander to this office. Her term will begin on 01 February 1996.

Associate Secretary for the Western Section. The ECBT recommended the election of WILLIAM HARRIS to a two year term as Associate Secretary for the Western Section. The Council approved by electing Harris to this position. His term would begin on 01 February 1996.

### 3.3.2 Summer Meeting 1996.

The Executive Committee and Board of Trustees forwarded to the Council a recommendation that the Society not hold a summer meeting in 1996. This was done upon the recommendation of the Secretariat and the Committee on Meetings and Conferences (COMC) ${ }^{6}$.
The motion, made by the Secretariat, was:
The Society will not hold a national meeting, other than the Annual Meeting, in 1996. In particular, it will not hold a summer meeting, a/k/a a Mathfest.

This motion failed by a vote of seven (7) in favor, nineteen (19) opposed, and two (2) abstentions. The MAA sent a message to the Council read by the President which stated:

We appreciate the Council's action on the meeting for August 1996. Now we, like the AMS, can focus on the long term changes in summer meetings without exhausting ourselves on the logistics of a single meeting in 1996.

A resolution "to work with the MAA to make a serious effort at holding a self-supporting meeting during the summer of $1996^{\prime \prime}$ was moved and seconded. After considerable discussion and several attempts at amending the wording, this motion was tabled.

### 3.3.3 Amendments to the Bylaws.

The Executive Committee and Board of Trustees recommended that the Council return the amendment that failed ratification to the membership in the next election ${ }^{7}$. A description follows.

Executive Director. The Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC) was assigned by the ECBT to study the question of governance of the Society. This report from the LRPC was considered by the January 1994 Council. This report inter alia recommended changes in the Bylaws that were adopted by that Council. As noted above, this amendment was not ratified by the membership, due to the low election turnout. (The current text is given as "Old Section". The recommended amendment then follows as NEW Section in bold face with the changes highlighted in large italics.) These amendments concern Article VI in the Bylaws referring to the Executive Director.

## Article VI. Executive Director

OLD Section 1. There shall be an Executive Director who shall be a paid employee of the Society. The Executive Director shall have charge of the central office of the Society, and shall be responsible for the general administration of the affairs of the Society in accordance with the policies that are set by the Board of Trustees and by the Council.
NEW Section 1. There shall be an Executive Director who shall be a paid employee of the Society. The Executive Director shall have charge of the offices of the Society, except for the office of the secretary, and shall be responsible for the general administration of the affairs of the Society in accordance with the policies that are set by the Board of Trustees and by the Council.

[^2]OLD Section 2. The Executive Director shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees with the consent of the Council. The terms and conditions of employment shall be fixed by the Board of Trustees.

NEW Section 2. The Executive Director shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees with the consent of the Council. The terms and conditions of employment shall be fixed by the Board of Trustees and the performance of the Executive Director will be reviewed regularly by the Board of Trustees.

OLD Section 3 (first part). The Executive Director shall work under the immediate direction of a committee consisting of the president, the secretary, and the treasurer, of which the president shall be chairman ex officio.
NEW Section 3. The Executive Director shall be responsible to and shall consult regularly with a liaison committee consisting of the president as chair, the secretary, the treasurer, and the chair of the Board of Trustees.

OLD Section 3 (second part). The Executive Director shall attend meetings of the Board of Trustees, the Council, and the Executive Committee, but shall not be a member of any of these bodies.
ADD Section 4. The Executive Director shall attend meetings of the Board of Trustees, the Council, and the Executive Committee, but shall not be a member of any of these bodies.

This amendment to the bylaws was passed by the Council and referred to the 1995 Election for ratification by the membership.

Business Meetings. The Long Range Planning Committee appointed a subcommittee to study the business meetings. The subcommittee report, after several minor modifications, was approved by the LRPC and forwarded to the ECBT. The Executive Committee and Board of Trustees recommends that the Council submit to the membership in the next election the amendment below for ratification.
CURRENT BYLAW
Section 1. The annual meeting of the Society shall be held between the fifteenth of December and the tenth of February next following. Notice of the time and place of this meeting shall be mailed by the secretary or an associate secretary to the last known post office address of each member of the Society. The times and places of the annual and other meetings of the Society shall be designated by the Council. There shall be a business meeting of the Society at the annual meeting and at the summer meeting. A business meeting of the Society shall take final action only on business accepted by unanimous consent, or business notified to the full membership of the Society in the call for the meeting, except that the business meetings held at either the annual meeting or the summer meeting may take final action on business which has been recommended for consideration by the Council and has been accepted by the vote of four-fifths of the Society present and voting at such a meeting. Such notification shall be made only when so directed by a previous business meeting of the Society or by the Council.

The committee proposed the following amended bylaw:
PROPOSED BYLAW
Section 1. The annual meeting of the Society shall be held between the fifteenth of December and the tenth of February next following. Notice of the time and place of this meeting shall be
mailed by the secretary or an associate secretary to the last known post office address of each member of the Society. The times and places of the annual and other meetings of the Society shall be designated by the Council.
Section 2. There shall be a business meeting of the Society only at the annual meeting. The agenda for the business meeting shall be determined by the Council. A business meeting of the Society can take action only on items notified to the full membership of the Society in the call for the meeting. A business meeting can act on items recommended to it jointly by the Council and the Board of Trustees; a majority of members present and voting is required for passage of such an item. A business meeting of the Society can place action items on the agenda for a future business meeting. Final action on an item proposed by a previous business meeting can be taken only provided there is a quorum of 400 members, a majority of members at a business meeting with a quorum being required for passage of such an item.

This amendment to the bylaws was passed by the Council and referred to the 1995 Election for ratification by the membership.

### 3.3.4 Standard Agenda for Business Meetings.

The Executive Committee and Board of Trustees recommended that the Council adopt the Agenda for Business Meetings below as a model. The Council's Committee on the Agenda for Business Meetings could make minor alterations to this agenda-for example if one of the officers or the Executive Director does not have a report, then that item may be omitted, the reading of the minutes would usually be suspended, and other categories might not have any action items.

The Council adopts the following outline as a model for the agenda for business meetings of the Society.

## AGENDA FOR BUSINESS MEETING OF THE SOCIETY

## 1. Introductions.

2. Minutes of last meeting (the reading of which is usually omitted-a pointer to the minutes in the Notices being sufficient).
3. Reports
(a) Secretary
(b) Treasurer
(c) Executive Director
(d) President
4. Business proposed by Council and BT.
5. Business proposed by Previous Business Meeting. (Check to see if a quorum is present)
6. New Business for referral to future business meeting (and placed on agenda by the Committee on the Agenda for the Business Meeting).
7. Standard resolutions.

## 8. Adjournment.

The Council adopted this model agenda for Business Meetings.

### 3.3.5 Subcommittees of committees.

Some committees of the Society have appointed subcommittees in order to handle some of the tasks assigned to the committee. According to Sturgis,

A committee has the right to appoint subcommittees of its own members to which it may delegate authority and which are directly responsible to the committee. Subcommittees report ONLY to the committee that created them. [emphasis mine]

It has been assumed that for the purposes of the Society business, subcommittees of committees can have members who are not on the parent committee. The Executive Committee and Board of Trustees recommended adopting the modification to Sturgis's policy:

A committee has the right to appoint subcommittees to which it may delegate authority and which are directly responsible to the committee. Normally the chair of a subcommittee would be a member of the parent committee but members of subcommittees need not, in general, be members of the parent committee. Subcommittees report only to the committee that created them.

It was moved, seconded, and passed to amend the first sentence of the proposed policy to read:
A committee has the right to appoint subcommittees which are directly responsible to it.

This amendment passed.
It was then moved, seconded, and passed to amend the proposed policy by replacing the last sentence by
While subcommittees may exchange information with other committees, they report only to the committee that created them.

This amendment passed. The amended policy statement now read:
A committee has the right to appoint subcommittees which are directly responsible to it. Normally the chair of a subcommittee would be a member of the parent committee but members of subcommittees need not, in general, be members of the parent committee. While subcommittees can exchange information with other committees, they report only to the committee that created them.

The amended policy was adopted by the Council.

### 3.3.6 Long Range Planning Committee.

Joan Birman, chair of the ECBT Long Range Planning Committee reported on the activities of the committee.

### 3.4 Committee on Education (COE).

The annual report of this committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed the report in the AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-001.

### 3.5 Committee on Meetings and Conferences (COMC).

The annual report of this committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed this report in the AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-002.

### 3.6 Committee on the Profession (CPROF).

The annual report of this committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed this report in the AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-003.

### 3.6.1 Graduate Programs in Mathematics.

The Committee on the Profession proposed that the following resolution be adopted by the Council:

## ON GRADUATE PROGRAMS IN MATHEMATICS

The current employment situation in mathematics has led to difficult questions concerning the size and structure of graduate programs in this country. The Council of the AMS feels that the Society must take a leading role in addressing these questions. However, as past experience has shown, the Society cannot reliably predict future trends in education and employment prospects for mathematicians. Further, the Society is not in a position to dictate policies to universities. The Council thus concludes:

It is not the Society's role to attempt to regulate the size of graduate programs in mathematics. However, we urge individual departments to reexamine the content, focus, and size of their programs and consider possible restructuring or reallocation of resources to better serve their needs and the needs of their students and graduates. In some cases this may involve shifting resources from graduate programs to postdoctoral programs or from PhD programs to Masters programs. It may also involve broadening the training of graduate students to prepare them for non-academic as well as academic careers.

In its leadership role, the Society is in a unique position to collect and disseminate information, organize efforts, and provide assistance on the employment situation. In this regard, the Society is actively pursuing many of the recommendations made by its Task Force on Employment. Much more remains to be done. Thus:

Addressing the interlinked questions of graduate education and employment of mathematicians is and will remain a high priority for the American Mathematical Society. The Council pledges to continue to commit Society resources and efforts to help enhance career opportunities for its members.

The resolution was adopted.

### 3.6.2 Meeting Sites.

The Committee on the Profession and the Committee on Meetings and Conferences jointly propose the resolution that follows regarding choice of meeting sites.

The Council of the American Mathematical Society wishes to reaffirm the commitment of the Society to the human rights of mathematicians. The Society bears a particular responsibility to provide the participants at meetings of the Society with an environment which is supportive of these rights.
Therefore, the Council resolves that the AMS will make every reasonable effort to schedule its meetings in localities which respect the participants' human rights, including freedom from discrimination based on race, gender, national origin, religion, age, sexual orientation, or disability.

An amendment was moved and seconded to "delete everything after the second occurrence of the words human rights". This amendment failed.
The Council adopted the resolution.

### 3.7 Committee on Publications (CPUB).

The annual report of this committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed the report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-004.

### 3.7.1 Membership on the Committee on Publications.

The Committee on Publications recommended, in its report, that the Publisher of the Society be made an ex-officio member of the Committee. Accordingly the following motion was considered:

The Publisher shall be an ex-officio member of the Committee on Publications.
[The Secretary noted that the current members on the Committee on Publications consist of 3 Council members (chosen from the Vice-Presidents and Members-at-Large), a member of the Editorial Boards Committee, a member of the Board of Trustees, the President, and 4-6 at-large members. The Secretary and the Executive Director serve as a non-voting members.]
[It is noted that the Committee on Publications and the Mathematical Reviews Editorial Committee have agreed to exchange "visitors". At each meeting of CPUB there will be a member of MREC as a guest and at each meeting of MREC there will be a member of CPUB, appointed by the chair of CPUB, as a guest.] The Council approved this recommendation.

### 3.7.2 Committee on Electronic Products and Services (CEPS).

This is a standing committee of the Society. The Executive Committee, upon the advice of the Committee on Publications and CEPS, recommended that this committee be discharged with thanks and that its duties be assigned to the Committee on Publications (which will appoint a subcommittee to handle these matters). The motion was:

## The Committee on Electronic Products and Services is discharged with thanks and

 its tasks and duties are assigned to the Committee on Publications.The Council approved this recommendation.

### 3.7.3 Editor and Editorial Board for e-MATH.

The Executive Committee and Board of Trustees recommended that an Editor for e-Math be appointed for a three-year term. This editor will be responsible for the mathematical resources and information items of interest to the mathematical community which are posted on e-Math. The Editor will operate from her/his home institution. A detailed job description, selection of the editor, and timelines can be found in Attachment \#19 of the Minutes of the 11/94 ECBT.
The Council approved this recommendation.

### 3.8 Committee on Science Policy (CSP).

John Morgan, chair of CSP, reported on recent CSP activities.

### 3.9 Committee on Archives.

The annual report of the committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed the report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-005.

### 3.10 Committee on Academic Freedom, Tenure, and Employment Security.

The annual report of the committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed the report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-006.

### 3.11 Centennial Fellowship Committee.

The report of the Centennial Fellowship Committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed this report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-007.

### 3.12 AMS-AAAS-MAA Committee on Opportunities in Mathematics for Underrepresented Minorities.

The annual report of the committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed the report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-008.
It was noted that the report made several recommendations. The Committee on the Profession has considered these recommendations. In fact, the Executive Committee and Board of Trustees asked the Committee on the Profession to establish a special task force on participation that will study these recommendations, among others. The task force is asked to report sometime in 1995.
The Council formally recommended, by a motion that was seconded and passed, that a task force of the President be established in cooperation with the Committee on the Profession to study these questions.

### 3.13 Committee on Research in Undergraduate Mathematics Education.

The annual report of the committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed the report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-009.

### 3.14 Committee on Professional Ethics (COPE).

The annual report of the committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed the report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-010.

### 3.15 Editorial Committees.

### 3.15.1 Mathematical Reviews Editorial Committee.

The minutes of this meeting are attached to the $11 / 94$ ECBT Minutes. The Executive Committee and Board of Trustees recommended approval of the following motion:

The MREC requests that the Council expand membership of MREC from four members to six members. Furthermore, it recommends that at least one of the new appointees be from outside North America (so that at least two members of MREC are from outside North America).

The Council approved this recommendation.

### 3.15.2 Proceedings Editorial Committee (PAMS)

The annual report of the committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed the report in the AMS Committee Report Book for 1995,. Report No. 950101-011

### 3.15.3 Notices Editorial Committee.

The annual report of this committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed the report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-012.

### 3.15.4 Notices Editorial Board.

The annual report of this committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed this report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-013.

Committee Reports in the Notices. Editor-in-chief Hugo Rossi requested consideration of the following item.

The Notices would like to be able to inform the membership of the availability of AMS committee reports in a timely manner. In the past on occasion, committee chairs have sent reports to the Notices (or summaries thereof) upon submission to the Council. The Notices will not normally accept for publication such reports or summaries (except in the case of the policy committees, where we interpret the charge to the committees to mean that the Notices should publish brief reports annually. We have decided to do that in each February issue).
However, in the case of reports of other committees there is some ambiguity as to when they are "available". On the one hand, the Committee, as it completes its business, may send its report to Providence electronically and/or on paper, at which time it could be considered available to the members upon request. At the other extreme, committee reports are technically not even reports until the group to which the committee reports has accepted the report; in this interpretation, the report is available only after acceptance by the Council. At the first extreme we maximize participation by the membership; at the other we minimize it. The Editor of the Notices seeks clarification of this ambiguity, and a clear definition of "availability" upon which the Notices can act.

It was moved, seconded, and the Council agreed that reports of its committees would be available "when they are available from a committee" and adopted the policy of the Editor-in-chief enunciated above.

### 3.15.5 Colloquium Editorial Committee.

Currently the Colloquium Editorial Committee is responsible for recommending to the Executive Committee the Colloquium Lecturer for the Annual Meetings. The tradition was that the Colloquium Lectures would result in a volume in the Colloquium Publication Series, for which the Colloquium Editorial Committee is theoretically responsible. For many years, the Colloquium Lectures have not resulted in such a volume but the lecturer has been selected by the editorial committee nonetheless. At its November 1994 meeting, the Executive Committee agreed to recommend that the responsibility to select Colloquium Lecturers be assigned to a new committee, the Colloquium Lecture Committee, and that the Colloquium Editorial Committee be responsible only for the Colloquium Publications Series.

Colloquium Lecture Committee. The method by which this can be accomplished is for the Council to establish a new standing committee, called the Colloquium Lecture Committee. Its charge would be that of the current Colloquium Editorial Committee. Its members would be appointed by the President in the usual fashion. Thus the motion by the EC:

> A standing committee, called the Colloquium Lecture Committee, will be appointed by the President upon recommendation by the Committee on Committees. It shall have three members each with three year (staggered) terms. Its charge will be to recommend and select the annual Colloquium Lecturer according to the established procedures.

The Council approved the creation of this committee with the charge to select the Colloquium Lecturers. This committee will be appointed by the President.

Colloquium Editorial Committee. The charge to the Colloquium Editorial Committee should then be changed to reflect its real duties-to edit the Colloquium Publication Series. Thus the motion by the EC:

The Colloquium Editorial Committee, consisting of three members, each with three year (staggered) terms, elected by the Council upon nomination by the Editorial Boards Committee, will be responsible for the Colloquium Publication Series. The Chair will be elected by the Council upon nomination by the Editorial Boards Committee.

The Council approved this charge.

### 3.15.6 AMS-ASL-IMS-SIAM Committee on Translations from Russian and other Eastern European Languages.

The report from the committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed the report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-014.

### 3.16 Committee on Human Rights.

The report from the Committee on Human rights was attached to the agenda. The Council filed this report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-015.

### 3.17 Program Committees.

### 3.17.1 Program Committee for National Meetings.

The report of this committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed this report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-016.

### 3.17.2 Central Section Program Committee.

The report of this committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed this report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-017.

### 3.17.3 Eastern Section Program Committee.

The report of this committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed this report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-018.

### 3.17.4 Southeastern Section Program Committee.

The report of this committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed this report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-019.

### 3.17.5 Western Section Program Committee.

The report of this committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed this report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-020.

### 3.17.6 Committee on Summer Institutes and Special Symposia.

The report of this committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed this report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-021.

### 3.18 AMS-IMS-MAA Data Committee.

The report of the AMS-IMS-MAA Data Committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed this report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-022.

### 3.19 AMS-ASA-AWM-IMS-MAA-NCTM-SIAM Joint Committee on Women in the Mathematical Sciences

The annual report of this committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed this report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-023. The report recommends several items for action which follow.

### 3.19.1 Special Session Speakers.

The AMS-ASA-AWM-IMS-MAA-NCTM-SIAM Joint Committee on Women in the Mathematical Sciences recommends the following resolution for adoption by the Council. The motion as presented by the committee was:

AMS guidelines for organizers of special sessions should include the following:

1. Successful sessions include both well-known senior people and junior people who are starting to contribute to an area. Organizers are expected to reach out to junior mathematicians who have new results, but have not yet established reputations. At a minimum, leading researchers and centers in a field should be contacted for suggestions of junior people whose work the organizers may not yet be familiar with.
2. If the preliminary list of special session invitees has few women, the organizers should consult others, particularly senior women in related fields, to insure that they have not inadvertently overlooked some.
3. One purpose of special sessions is to provide an opportunity for junior people to meet others in their field and become part of the mathematical research community. To facilitate this, organizers are encouraged to arrange an informal dinner, lunch or social event for participants and attendees at their session. Whenever possible, social events and talks of junior people should be scheduled relatively early in the session to enable people to benefit from new contacts.
4. In addition, the AMS should monitor the effectiveness of these guidelines and other strategies by collecting and reporting data on the number of women speakers in special sessions, including correlation with gender of organizers, to JCW, COMC and CPROF in a very timely manner.

It was moved and seconded to table this motion. The motion to table passed by a vote of twelve (12) in favor and seven (7) opposed.

### 3.19.2 Major Conference Co-sponsorship

The AMS-ASA-AWM-IMS-MAA-NCTM-SIAM Joint Committee on Women in the Mathematical Sciences recommends the following resolution for adoption by the Council. The motion is:

The AMS should include women on the organizing committees of all future major symposia which it co-sponsors.

It was moved and seconded to substitute the following language:
The AMS should make every reasonable effort to see that women are included on the organizing committees of major symposia which it co-sponsors.

The motion to substitute was passed. The motion to adopt the resolution (now the substituted resolution) passed.

## 4 REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

### 4.1 Preparation for College Teaching.

The final report of this committee was attached to the agenda. The Council filed this report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-024.

### 4.2 Special Advisory Committee on Professional Ethics.

The committee proposed that the Council adopt the following guidelines. The question whether the Council wished to "speak in the name of the Society" on this issue was also raised. The procedures for doing so are outlined in 7.1. A number of statements concerning these guidelines were included in the agenda.

## ETHICAL GUIDELINES

To assist in its chartered goal, "...the furtherance of the interests of mathematical scholarship and research ...", and to help in the preservation of that atmosphere of mutual trust and ethical behavior required for science to prosper, the American Mathematical Society, through its Council, sets forth the following guidelines. While it speaks only for itself, these guidelines reflect its expectations of behavior both for its members and for all members of the wider mathematical community including institutions engaged in the education or employment of mathematicians or in the publication of mathematics.

It is not intended that something not mentioned here is necessarily outside the scope of AMS interest. These guidelines are not a complete expression of the principles that underlie them but will, it is expected, be modified and amplified by events and experience. These are guidelines, not a collection of rigid rules.
The American Mathematical Society, through its Committee on Professional Ethics (COPE), may provide an avenue of redress for individual members injured in their capacity as mathematicians by violations of its ethical principles. COPE, in accordance with its procedures, will, in each case, determine the appropriate ways in which it can be helpful (including making recommendations to the Council of the Society). However, the AMS cannot enforce these guidelines and it cannot substitute for individual responsibility or for the responsibility of the mathematical community at large.

## I. MATHEMATICAL RESEARCH AND ITS PRESENTATION

The public reputation for honesty and integrity of the mathematical community and of the Society is its collective treasure and its publication record is its legacy.

The correct attribution of mathematical results is essential, both as it encourages creativity, by benefiting the creator whose career may depend on the recognition of the work, and as it informs the community of when, where, and sometimes how original ideas have entered into the chain of mathematical thought. To that end, mathematicians have certain responsibilities which include the following:

- To endeavor to be knowledgeable in their field, especially as regards related work;
- To give proper credit (even to unpublished sources because the knowledge that something is true or false is valuable, however it is obtained);
- To use no language that suppresses or improperly detracts from the work of others;
- To correct in a timely way or withdraw work that is erroneous or previously published.

A claim of independence may not be based on ignorance of well disseminated results. Errors and oversights can occur, but it is the responsibility of the person making the error to set the record straight.
On appropriate occasions, it may be desirable to offer or accept joint authorship when independent researchers find that they have produced identical results. However, the authors listed for a paper must all have made a significant contribution to its content, and all who have made such a contribution must be offered the opportunity to be listed as an author. To claim a result in advance of its having been achieved with reasonable certainty injures the community by restraining those working toward the same goal. Publication of results that are announced must not be unreasonably delayed. Because the free exchange of ideas necessary to promote research is possible only when every individual's contribution is properly recognized, the Society will not knowingly publish anything that violates this principle, and it will seek to expose egregious violations anywhere in the mathematical community.

## II. SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF MATHEMATICIANS

The Society promotes mathematical research together with its unrestricted dissemination, and to that end encourages all and will strive to afford equal opportunity to all to engage in this endeavor. Mathematical ability must be respected wherever it is found, without regard to race, gender, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, religious or political belief, or disability.

The growing importance of mathematics in society at large and of public funding of mathematics may increasingly place members of the mathematical community in conflicts of interest. The appearance of bias in reviewing, refereeing, or in funding decisions must be scrupulously avoided, particularly where decisions may affect one's own research, that of close colleagues, or of one's students; in extreme cases one must withdraw.

A reference or referee's report fully and accurately reflecting the writer's views is often given only on the understanding that it be confidential or that the name of the writer be withheld from certain interested parties; therefore, a request for a reference or report must be assumed, unless there is a statement to the contrary, to carry an implicit promise of confidentiality or anonymity which must be carefully kept unless negated by law. The writer of the reply must respond fairly, and keep confidential any privileged information, personal or mathematical, that the writer
receives. If the requesting individual, institution, agency or company becomes aware that confidentiality or anonymity can not be maintained, that must immediately be communicated, and if known in advance, must be stated in the original request.

Where choices must be made and conflicts are unavoidable, as with editors or those who decide on appointments or promotions, it is essential to keep careful records which, even if held confidential at the time, would, when opened, demonstrate that the process was, indeed, fair.

Freedom to publish must sometimes yield to security concerns, but mathematicians should resist excessive secrecy demands whether by government or private institutions.

When mathematical work may affect the public health, safety or general welfare, it is the responsibility of mathematicians to disclose the implications of their work to their employers and to the public, if necessary. Should this bring retaliation, the Society will examine the ways in which it may want to help the "whistle-blower", particularly when the disclosure has been made to the Society.

## III. EDUCATION AND GRANTING OF DEGREES

Holding a Ph.D. degree is virtually indispensable to an academic career in mathematics and is becoming increasingly important as a certificate of competence in the wider job market. An institution granting a degree in mathematics is certifying that competence and must take full responsibility for it by insuring the high level and originality of the thesis work, and sufficient knowledge by the recipient of important branches of mathematics outside the scope of the thesis. The original results in a thesis should be publishable in a recognized journal. When there is evidence of plagiarism it must be carefully investigated, even if it comes to light after granting the degree, and, if proven, the degree should be revoked.
Mathematicians and organizations involved in advising graduate students should honestly inform them about the employment prospects they may face upon completion of their degrees. No one should be exploited by the offer of a temporary position at a low salary and/or a heavy work load.

## IV. PUBLICATIONS

The Society will not take part in the publishing, printing or promoting of any research journal where there is some acceptance criterion, stated or unstated, that conflicts with the principles of these guidelines. It will promote the quick refereeing and timely publication of articles accepted to its journals.

Editors are responsible for the timely refereeing of articles and must judge articles by the state of knowledge at the time of submission. Editors and referees should accept a paper for publication only if they are reasonably certain the paper is correct.

The contents of an unpublished and uncirculated paper should be regarded by a journal as privileged information. If the contents of a paper become known in advance of publication solely as a result of its submission to or handling by a journal, and if a later paper based on knowledge of the privileged information is received anywhere (by the same or another journal), then any editor aware of the facts must refuse or delay publication of the later paper until after publication of the firstunless the first author agrees to earlier publication of the later paper.


#### Abstract

At the time a manuscript is submitted, editors should notify authors whenever a large backlog of accepted papers may produce inordinate delay in publication. A journal may not delay publication of a paper for reasons of an editor's self interest or of any interest other than the author's. The published article should bear the date on which the manuscript was originally submitted to the journal for publication, together with the dates of any revisions. Editors must be given and accept full scientific responsibility for their journals; when a demand is made by an outside agency for prior review or censorship of so-called "sensitive" articles, that demand must be resisted and, in any event, knowledge of the demand must be made public. All mathematical publishers, particularly those who draw without charge on the resources of the mathematical community through the use of unpaid editors and referees, must recognize that they have made a compact with the community to disseminate information, and that compact must be weighed in their business decisions. Both editors and referees must respect the confidentiality of materials submitted to them unless these have previously been made public, and above all may not appropriate to themselves ideas in work submitted to them or do anything that would impair the rights of authors to the fruits of their labors. Editors must preserve the anonymity of referees unless there is a credible allegation of misuse. These are ethical obligations of all persons or organizations controlling mathematical publications, whatever their designation.


The Council adopted these guidelines as a Council resolution by a vote that was unanimous except for one abstention. It then requested that the Secretary submit them to a vote so as "to speak in the name of the Society" in the next scheduled business by mail.
The Council thanked the committee for its work and discharged it.

### 4.3 Women in Probability Conference.

This conference was co-sponsored by the Society. President-Elect Morawetz attended as the official representative of the Society. Her report was attached to the agenda. The Council filed the report in AMS Committee Report Book for 1995, Report No. 950101-025.

## 5 UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

There were no items in this category.

## 6 NEW BUSINESS

### 6.1 Council Meeting dates.

During 1993, a special committee of the Council considered when and where the Council should meet. The final report, as adopted by the April 1993 Council, was attached to the agenda for reference. Birman and Fossum moved that

Council meetings held at Annual Meetings should be scheduled to be held on the day before the scientific program of the meeting begins (as in the past).

This motion was amended by its authors to read:
The date and time of Council meetings should be set by the Secretariat.
The motion as stated was approved by the Council.

### 6.2 AAAS Commemorative Stamp.

The AAAS has asked for support for a 1998 US postage stamp commemorating the 150th anniversary of the founding of AAAS. The President reported on this effort, but no action was taken.

## 7 ANNOUNCEMENTS, INFORMATION, AND RECORD.

### 7.1 Speaking in the name of the Society.

There were items in the agenda on which the Council may have desired or may wish to "speak in the name of the Society". The Bylaws are quite specific on this matter and are quoted here from Article IV, Section 8:

The Council shall also have power to speak in the name of the Society with respect to matters affecting the status of mathematics or mathematicians, such as proposed or enacted federal or state legislation; conditions of employment in universities, colleges, or business, research or industrial organizations; regulations, policies, or acts of governmental agencies or instrumentalities; and other items which tend to affect the dignity and effective position of mathematics.
With the exception noted in the next paragraph, a favorable vote of two-thirds of the entire membership of the Council shall be necessary to authorize any statement in the name of the Society with respect to such matters. With the exception noted in the next paragraph, such a vote may be taken only if written notice shall have been given to the secretary by the proposer of any such resolution not later than one month prior to the Council meeting at which the matter is to be presented; and the vote shall be taken not earlier than one month after the resolution has been discussed by the Council.
If, at a meeting of the Council, there are present twelve members, then the prior notification to the secretary may be waived by unanimous consent. In such a case, a unanimous favorable vote by those present shall empower the Council to speak in the name of the Society.
The Council may also refer the matter to a referendum by mail of the entire membership of the Society, and shall make such reference if a referendum is requested, prior to final action by the Council, by two hundred or more members. The taking of a referendum shall act as a stay upon Council action until the votes have been canvassed, and thereafter no action may be taken by the Council except in accordance with a plurality of the votes cast in the referendum.

### 7.2 Presidential Decree.

The President has issued one decree since the last meeting of the Council. Professor D. J. Struik was 100 years old on September 30, 1994.

AMERICAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY
PRESIDENTIAL DECREE

## WHEREAS:

Dirk J. Struik is celebrating his One Hundredth Birthday; AND
Dirk J. Struik has been a member of the Society since January 1, 1927;
NOW THEREFORE,
I, the undersigned Ronald L. Graham, President of the American Mathematical Society, issue the following presidential decree:
Be it decreed that congratulations from the Society are extended to Dirk J. Struik on the occasion of his Hundredth Birthday and that in appreciation for his services to mathematics and
the Society he be granted Distinguished Life-time Membership in the Society, with all benefits of normal membership accruing thereto. The Society extends its heartiest congratulations to him and its best wishes on this very special occasion.
Signed this, the thirtieth day of September, Nineteen Hundred Ninety Four.
Ronald L. Graham
President
American Mathematical Society

### 7.3 Budget.

The Board of Trustees adopted the budget for 1995 as presented at the meeting of the BT on 20 November 1994.

### 7.4 JOINT AMS-MAA PRIZE for Outstanding Research in Mathematics by an Undergraduate Student.

REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE JOINT AMS-MAA PRIZE<br>for Outstanding Research in Mathematics<br>by an Undergraduate Student

The following regulations were adopted by the Executive Committee and Board of Trustees on advice by the Committee on the Profession. (The August 1994 Council had authorized this prize in principle with the final regulations to be determined by the Executive Committee and Board of Trustees upon advice from the Committee on the Profession. This is to inform the Council of the final action on this item.
The President informed the Council that a generous gift by Mrs. Brennie Morgan will endow the prize. Futhermore, he announced that the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM) will also be a co-sponsor of the prize which will henceforth be known as the

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Frank and Brennie Morgan AMS-MAA-SIAM Prize for Outstanding Research in Mathematics
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## by an Undergraduate Student

Subsequent to this action, the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics has joined in the prize. It is now the Joint AMS-MAA-SIAM Prize.)

1. The prize is to be awarded to an undergraduate student (or students having submitted joint work) for outstanding research in mathematics.
2. Any student who is an undergraduate in a college or university in Canada, Mexico, or the U.S. or its possessions is eligible to be considered for this prize.
3. No more than one prize shall be awarded each year, and a few honorable mentions may be made.
4. The prize recipient's research need not be confined to a single paper; it may be contained in several papers.
5. The paper (or papers) to be considered for the prize must be submitted while the student is an undergraduate; it (they) cannot be submitted after the student's graduation.
6. Publication of the research is not required.
7. The prize is to consist of $\$ 1,000$ and a certificate, and, for honorable mentions, a certificate.
8. The research paper (or papers) may be submitted for consideration by the student or by a nominator.
9. All submissions for the prize must include at least one letter of support from a person, usually a faculty member, familiar with the student's research.
10. The recipients of the prize are to be selected by a standing joint committee of the AMS and MAA. The joint committee is to consist of six members, each to serve for a term of three years, half appointed by the President of the AMS, the other half by the President of the MAA. The decisions of this Committee shall be final.
11. The prize shall be awarded at a joint national meeting of the AMS and MAA.
12. The first prize should be awarded for papers submitted for consideration no later than June 30, 1995 by - or on behalf of - students who were undergraduates in December, 1994.
13. After five years of operation, the prize and the regulations governing it shall be reviewed.

## 8 ADJOURNMENT.

The Council recognized President Ronald Graham for his two years' of tolerance and patience as President of the Council and thanked him warmly, by a round of applause for his service to the Society.
The Council adjourned at 6:20 PM.
Respectfully submitted,
Robert M. Fossum
Secretary
Urbana, IL
24 February 1995

## Part II

## ATTACHMENTS

## A CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS.

## A. 11994 Council

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| Anil Nerode | Cornell University | 1995 |
| Jean E. Taylor | Rutgers University | 1996 |
| Robert M. Fossum | University of Illinois | 1996 |
| Robert Daverman | University of Tennessee | 1996 |
| Andy Roy Magid | University of Oklahoma | 1995 |
| Lesley Sibner | Polytechnic University | 1996 |
| Lance W. Small | U Calif, San Diego | 1995 |
| F.P. Peterson | MIT | 1996 |
| B.A. Taylor | University of Michigan | 1996 |

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| Colloquium Editorial Comm | Luis Caffarelli, Chair | Inst Adv Study | 1994 |
| Journal of the AMS | H. Blaine Lawson, Chair | SUNY Stony Brook | 1994 |
| Mathematical Reviews Editorial Comm | Philip J. Hanlon, Chair | U Michigan | 1995 |
| Mathematical Surveys Editorial Comm | Marc A. Rieffel, Chair | Berkeley | 1994 |
| Mathematics of Computation Comm | Walter Gautschi, Chair | Purdue U | 1995 |
| Proceedings Editorial Comm | Irwin Kra, Chair | SUNY Stony Brook | 1994 |
| Representative on American Journal | Henri Gillet, Chair | U Chicago | 1994 |
| Transactions and Memoirs Comm | Peter Shalen, Chair | U Illinois at Chicago | 1994 |
| Executive Committee | Joan Birman | Columbia U | 1995 |
| Executive Committee | John M. Franks | Northwestern | 1996 |
| Executive Committee | Arthur Jaffe | Harvard | 1994 |

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| Rebecca A. Herb | University of Maryland | 1994 |
| Svetlana R. Katok | Penn State University | 1995 |
| Steven Krantz | Washington, St Louis | 1995 |
| Robert Lazarsfeld | UCLA | 1996 |
| James I. Lepowsky | Rutgers University | 1995 |
| Peter Li | U Cal, Irvine | 1995 |
| Elliott H. Lieb | Princeton University | 1994 |
| Frank Morgan | Williams College | 1996 |
| Norberto Salinas | University of Kansas | 1996 |
| Sylvia M. Wiegand | University of Nebraska | 1996 |
| Susan Gayle Williams | U South Alabama | 1995 |
| Robert Zimmer | University of Chicago | 1996 |

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| John M. Franks | Northwestern University | 1996 |
| Ronald Graham | AT\&T Bell Labs | 1994 |
| Arthur Jaffe | Harvard University | 1994 |
| Cathleen S. Morawetz | NYU-Courant | 1997 |
| Marc Rieffel | University of California, Berkeley | 1997 |

TRUSTEES

| Roy Adler | IBM Watson Lab | 1997 |
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| Ronald Graham | AT\&T Bell Labs | 1994 |
| Maria M. Klawe | U British Columbia | 1996 |
| D. J. Lewis | University of Michigan | 1998 |
| M. Susan Montgomery | U Southern California | 1995 |
| F. P. Peterson | MIT | 1994 |
| John C. Polking | Rice University | 1994 |
| B. A. Taylor | University of Michigan | 1994 |

## A. 21995 Council

## AMERICAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY

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| Mathematical Reviews Edit Comm | William Fulton, Chair | University of Chicago | 1995 |
| Mathematical Surveys Edit Comm | Philip J. Hanlon, Chair | University of Michigan | 1995 |
| Mathematics of Computation Comm | Walter Genkart, Chair |  |  |
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| Executive Committee | Marc Rieffel | U California, Berkeley | 1997 |

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| James M. Hyman | Los Alamos Nat’l Lab | 1997 |
| Svetlana R. Katok | Penn State University | 1995 |
| Steven Krantz | Washington, St Louis | 1995 |
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| Peter Li | U California, Irvine | 1995 |
| Jerrold E. Marsden | U California, Berkeley | 1997 |
| Frank Morgan | Williams College | 1996 |
| Cora Sadosky | Howard University | 1997 |
| Norberto Salinas | University of Kansas | 1996 |
| Alice Silverberg | Ohio State University | 1997 |
| Sylvia M. Wiegand | University of Nebraska | 1996 |
| Susan Gayle Williams | University South Alabama | 1995 |
| Robert Zimmer | University of Chicago | 1996 |

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## B MINUTES.

## B. 2 Business by Mail.

# American Mathematical Society 

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Minutes of Business By Mail
In business by mail the Council was asked to consent to the appointment of John Ewing as Executive Director.
Ballots were returned to the Secretary by Ronald L. Graham, Cathleen Morawetz, Jean Taylor, F.P. Peterson, B.A. Taylor, Robert M. Fossum, Robert Daverman, Richard S. Palais, H. Blaine Lawson, Philip J. Hanlon, Marc Rieffel, Walter Gautschi, Irwin Kra, Peter B. Shalen, Joan Birman, John M. Franks, Carl C. Cowen, Jr., Rebecca A. Herb, Svetlana Katok, Steven G. Krantz, Robert K. Lazarsfeld, James I. Lepowsky, Peter W.K. Li, Elliott H. Lieb, Frank Morgan, Norberto Salinas, Sylvia Wiegand, Susan Gayle Williams, and Robert J. Zimmer.
There were 28 votes in favor of consenting and one abstention. The Board of Trustees have been notified of this consent.

Robert Fossum
Secretary
Urbana, Illinois
15 November 1994

NOTICE:

This section of the Business by Mail contains an AMS News Release dated January 27, 1995 and titled:
''Mathematical Society Names New Executive Director',
The news release informs the mathematical community that John H. Ewing, professor of mathematics at Indiana University, has accepted the position of Executive Director of the AMS. The release text profiles the person, his work and his achievements.

For a copy of the news release please contact

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## C AMENDMENTS

Executive Director. The Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC) was assigned by the ECBT to study the question of governance of the Society. This report from the LRPC was considered by the January 1994 Council. This report inter alia recommended changes in the Bylaws that were adopted by that Council. As noted above, this amendment was not ratified by the membership, due to the low election turnout. (The current text is given as "Old Section". The recommended amendment then follows as NEW Section in bold face with the changes highlighted in large italics.) These amendments concern Article VI in the Bylaws referring to the Executive Director.

## Article VI. Executive Director

OLD Section 1. There shall be an Executive Director who shall be a paid employee of the Society. The Executive Director shall have charge of the central office of the Society, and shall be responsible for the general administration of the affairs of the Society in accordance with the policies that are set by the Board of Trustees and by the Council.

NEW Section 1. There shall be an Executive Director who shall be a paid employee of the Society. The Executive Director shall have charge of the offices of the Society, except for the office of the secretary, and shall be responsible for the general administration of the affairs of the Society in accordance with the policies that are set by the Board of Trustees and by the Council.

OLD Section 2. The Executive Director shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees with the consent of the Council. The terms and conditions of employment shall be fixed by the Board of Trustees.

NEW Section 2. The Executive Director shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees with the consent of the Council. The terms and conditions of employment shall be fixed by the Board of Trustees and the performance of the Executive Director will be reviewed regularly by the Board of Trustees.

OLD Section 3 (first part). The Executive Director shall work under the immediate direction of a committee consisting of the president, the secretary, and the treasurer, of which the president shall be chairman ex officio.

NEW Section 3. The Executive Director shall be responsible to and shall consult regularly with a liaison committee consisting of the president as chair, the secretary, the treasurer, and the chair of the Board of Trustees.

OLD Section 3 (second part). The Executive Director shall attend meetings of the Board of Trustees, the Council, and the Executive Committee, but shall not be a member of any of these bodies.

ADD Section 4. The Executive Director shall attend meetings of the Board of Trustees, the Council, and the Executive Committee, but shall not be a member of any of these bodies.

## C.0.1 Amendment to eliminate American Journal of Mathematics Editorial Committee from the Bylaws.

The Johns Hopkins University has terminated the agreement between the Society and the editorial board of the American Journal of Mathematics. Therefore it is appropriate to remove mention of this editorial board from the Bylaws. This has been recommended by the August 94 Council. The minute follows.

The Society has had a long and mutually beneficial agreement with the American Journal of Mathematics (AJM) published by the Johns Hopkins University Press. According to this agreement, either party to it, the AMS on the one hand and the AJM Editorial Board on the other, can unilaterally terminate this agreement. The Secretary and the Executive Director have received a letter from the Managing Editor Bernard Shiffman which states that the AJM Editorial Board has terminated this agreement.
The AMS appointments to the AJM Editorial Board are elected by the Council upon recommendation by the Editorial Boards Committee. One of these editors is a member of the Council according to the current Bylaws. Since the AMS will no longer have the opportunity to elect members to this editorial board, the Bylaws should be amended to reflect this. Accordingly, the Secretary submits an amendment to the Bylaws that affects the elimination of this position on the Council.
The following amendment to the bylaws was approved for ratification by the members in the 1995 election.

## Proposed Amendment

Proposed amendment (with old text indicated by $O \nless \lambda$ and new text indicated by New):
 for the Bulletin, for the Proceedings, for the Colloquium Publications, for the Journal, for Mathematical Surveys and Monographs, for Mathematical Reviews; a joint committee for the


 committee for Mathematics of Computation.

## C.0.2 Business Meetings.

The Long Range Planning Committee appointed a subcommittee to study the business meetings. The subcommittee report, after several minor modifications, was approved by the LRPC and forwarded to the ECBT. The ECBT recommends that the Council submit to the membership in the next election the amendment below for ratification.

## CURRENT BYLAW

Section 1. The annual meeting of the Society shall be held between the fifteenth of December and the tenth of February next following. Notice of the time and place of this meeting shall be mailed by the secretary or an associate secretary to the last known post office address of each member of the Society. The times and places of the annual and other meetings of the Society shall be designated by the Council. There shall be a business meeting of the Society at the annual meeting and at the summer meeting. A business meeting of the Society shall take final action only on business accepted by unanimous consent, or business notified to the full membership of the Society in the call for the meeting, except that the business meetings held at either the annual
meeting or the summer meeting may take final action on business which has been recommended for consideration by the Council and has been accepted by the vote of four-fifths of the Society present and voting at such a meeting. Such notification shall be made only when so directed by a previous business meeting of the Society or by the Council.

The committee proposes the following amended bylaw:
PROPOSED BYLAW
Section 1. The annual meeting of the Society shall be held between the fifteenth of December and the tenth of February next following. Notice of the time and place of this meeting shall be mailed by the secretary or an associate secretary to the last known post office address of each member of the Society. The times and places of the annual and other meetings of the Society shall be designated by the Council.
Section 2. There shall be a business meeting of the Society only at the annual meeting. The agenda for the business meeting shall be determined by the Council. A business meeting of the Society can take action only on items notified to the full membership of the Society in the call for the meeting. A business meeting can act on items recommended to it jointly by the Council and the Board of Trustees; a majority of members present and voting is required for passage of such an item. A business meeting of the Society can place action items on the agenda for a future business meeting. Final action on an item proposed by a previous business meeting can be taken only provided there is a quorum of 400 members, a majority of members at a business meeting with a quorum being required for passage of such an item.

## D Future meetings of the Council, Agenda and Budget Committee (ABC), and Executive Committee and Board of Trustees (ECBT).

Deadlines for receipt of material for the Council agenda are approximately five (5) weeks before the date of the meeting. Agenda items should be submitted to the Secretary, preferably in electronic form.

DATE
February 241995
March 4-5, 1995
March 11, 1995
March 17-18, 1995
March 18-19, 1995
March 24-25, 1995
March 24-25, 1995
March 25, 1995

April 3, 1995
April 8, 1995
April 14, 1995
April 15, 1995
April 16, 1995
April 27-29, 1995
April 28-29, 1995
April 30, 1995
April 29-30, 1995
May 14, 1995
May 18, 1995
May 19-20, 1995
May 19-21, 1995
May 21-24, 1995

May 24-26, 1995
May 29, 1995
June 10-15, 1995
June 18, 1995
June 23-24, 1995

July 1, 1995
July 4, 1995
July 18-21, 1995

MEETING
SITE

DEADLINE FOR MARCH 95 COUNCIL ITEMS

| AMS Sectional Meeting at Univ. of Connecticut | Hartford, CT |
| :---: | :---: |
| MSEB Exec Com Meeting | Washington, DC |
| AMS Sectional Meeting | Orlando, FL |
| at Univ. of Central Florida |  |
| ABC Meeting | Providence, RI |
| AMS Sectional Meeting at DePaul Univ | Chicago, IL |
| AMS Committee on Committees | Chicago, IL |
| AMS Council Meeting | Chicago, IL |
| Dinner 5:00 PM, Meeting 7:00 PM | Shedd Room, Hyatt on Printer's Row |
| 500 South Dearborn, Chicago 312-986-1234 |  |
| Holiday - AMS Day | AMS Offices in RI |
| COMC Meeting | Chicago, IL |

IC Meeting
Chicago, IL
Good Friday
Passover
Easter
Third SIAM Conference on St. Louis, MO
Control and its Applications
CSP Meeting Washington, DC
COE Meeting Washington, DC
TENT COPROF Meeting Chicago, IL
Mother's Day
MSEB Exec Com Meeting Washington, DC
MSEB Board Meeting Washington, DC
ECBT Meeting Providence, RI
Third SIAM Conference on Snowbird, UT
Dynamical Systems
AMS-Israel Mathematical Union Jerusalem, Israel
Meeting (Hebrew University)
Holiday - Memorial Day
SLA Annual Conference Montreal, Canada
Father's Day
MSEB Exec Com Meeting Washington, DC
DEADLINE FOR AUGUST 95 COUNCIL ITEMS
Holiday - Independence Day
CESSE '95 Annual Meeting Seattle, WA

## DATE

August 5, 1995
August 6-8, 1995
August 14, 1995

September 4, 1995
September 22-23, 1995
September 24-25, 1995
September 25, 1995
October 4, 1995
October 5, 1995
October 6-7, 1995
October 7-8, 1995
October 7-8, 1995

October 9, 1995
October 14, 1995
October 23-26, 1995
November 3-4, 1995
November 6-9, 1995
November 7, 1995
November 10, 1995
November 11, 1995
November 11-12, 1995
TENT
November 17-18, 1995

November 17-19, 1995
November 18, 1995
November 23, 1995
November 24, 1995
November 29-
December 2, 1995

December 2, 1995
December 18, 1995
December 25, 1995

MEETING

AMS Council
Mathfest
at Univ. of Vermont
Holiday - Victory Day
Holiday - Labor Day
COE Meeting
CSP Meeting
Rosh Hashanah
Yom Kippur
MSEB Exec Com Meeting Washington, DC
MSEB Board Meeting
ABC Meeting
AMS Sectional Meeting
at Northeastern Univ.
Holiday - Columbus Day
COMC Meeting
1995 SIAM Annual Meeting
AMS Sectional Meeting
at Kent State Univ.
Fourth SIAM Conference on
Geometric Design
Election Day
Holiday - Veterans Day
Holiday - Veterans Day
AMS Sectional Meeting
at Univ. of So. Calif.
AMS Sectional Meeting Greensboro, NC
at University of North Carolina
ECBT Meeting
MSEB Exec Com Meeting
Holiday - Thanksgiving
Holiday - Thanksgiving
Joint Meeting w/ Sociedad
Matematica Mexicana

SITE

Burlington, VT
Burlington, VT
RI

Washington, DC
Washington, DC

Washington, DC
Providence, RI
Boston, MA

Chicago, IL
Charlotte, NC
Kent, OH
Nashville, TN

AMS Offices

Los Angeles, CA

Washington, DC
Washington, DC
AMS Offices
Guanajuato, Mexico

DEADLINE FOR JANUARY 96 COUNCIL ITEMS
Hanukkah
Holiday - Christmas

## D. 11996

DATE
January 1, 1996
January 9, 1996
January 10-13, 1996
January 15, 1996

January 25-27, 1996
February 29, 1996
March 16-17, 1996 TENT
March 22-23, 1996
April 1, 1996
April 4, 1996
April 5, 1996
April 7, 1996
April 13-14, 1996
April 14, 1996
April 19-21, 1996
May 12, 1996
May 17-19, 1996 TENT
May 27, 1996
June 8-13, 1996
June 16, 1996
June 21, 1996
July 4, 1996
July 9-12, 1996
August, 1996
August 12, 1996
September 2, 1996
September 14, 1996
September 23, 1996
October 5-6, 1996
October 12-13, 1996 TENT
October 14, 1996
November 1-2, 1996
November 5, 1996
November 11, 1996
November 22-24, 1996
TENT
November 28, 1996
November 29, 1996
December 2, 1996
December 6, 1996
December 25, 1996

MEETING SITE
Holiday - New Year's
AMS Council
AMS-MAA Annual Meeting
Orlando, FL
Orlando, FL
Holiday Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
NOT a holiday for AMS offices in RI
SLA Winter Meeting
DEADLINE FOR APRIL 96 COUNCIL ITEMS
ABC Meeting
AMS Sectional Meeting at Univ. of Iowa
Holiday - AMS Day
Passover
Good Friday
Easter
AMS Section Meeting, NYU Courant Institute
AMS Council (TENT)
AMS Sectional Meeting,Louisiana State Univ
Mother's Day
ECBT Meeting Ann Arbor, MI?
Holiday - Memorial Day
SLA Annual Conference Boston, MA
Father's Day
DEADLINE FOR AUGUST 96 COUNCIL ITEMS
Holiday - Independence Day
CESSE '96 Annual Meeting
AMS Council (date and place to be determined)
Holiday - Victory Day
Holiday - Labor Day
Rosh Hashanah
Yom Kippur
AMS Sectional Meeting, Rider University Lawrenceville, NJ
ABC Meeting Providence, RI
Holiday - Columbus Day
AMS Sectional Meeting Univ. of Missouri Columbia, MS
Election Day
Holiday - Veterans Day
ECBT Meeting
Providence, RI
Holiday - Thanksgiving
Holiday - Thanksgiving
AMS Offices

DEADLINE FOR JANUARY 97 COUNCIL ITEMS
Hanukkah
Holiday - Christmas

## D. $2 \quad 1997$

DATE
January 1, 1997
January 7, 1997
January 8-11, 1997
January 20, 1997
March 15-16, 1997 TENT
March 21-22, 1997

March 28, 1997
March 30, 1997
April 7, 1997
April 12-13, 1997 TENT
April 22, 1997
May 2-4, 1994
May 11, 1997
May 16-18, 1997 TENT
May 26, 1997
June 7-12, 1997
June 15, 1997
July 4, 1997
August 11, 1997
September 1, 1997
October 2, 1997
October 11, 1997
October 11-12, 1997
TENT
October 13, 1997
October 24-26, 1997
TENT
November 4, 1997
November 11, 1997
November 21-23, 1997
TENT
November 27, 1997
November 28, 1997
December 1, 1997
December 24, 1997
December 25, 1997

MEETING
Holiday - New Year's Day
AMS Council
AMS-MAA Annual Meeting
Holiday - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
ABC Meeting
AMS Sectional Meeting
at University of Memphis
Good Friday
Easter
Holiday - AMS Day
AMS Sectional Meeting
at Univ. of Maryland
Passover
AMS Sectional Meeting, Wayne State University
Detroit, MI
Mother's Day
ECBT Meeting Washington, DC?
Holiday - Memorial Day
SLA Annual Conference Seattle, WA
Father's Day
Holiday - Independence Day
Holiday - Victory Day
RI
Holiday - Labor Day
Rosh Hashanah
Yom Kippur
ABC Meeting Providence, R
Holiday - Columbus Day
AMS Sectional Meeting Milwaukee, WI
at Univ. of Wisconsin
Election Day
Holiday - Veterans Day
ECBT Meeting
Providence, RI
Holiday - Thanksgiving
Holiday - Thanksgiving AMS Offices
DEADLINE FOR JANUARY 98 COUNCIL ITEMS
Hanukkah
Holiday - Christmas

SITE

San Diego, CA
San Diego, CA
Note: NOT a holiday
for AMS offices in RI
Providence, RI
Memphis, TN

AMS Offices in RI
College Park, MD

## D. 3 1998/1999

DATE

January 1, 1998
January 6, 1998
January 7-10, 1998
March 27-28, 1998

December 1, 1998
January 12, 1999
January 13-16, 1999

MEETING

Holiday - New Year's Day
AMS Council
AMS-MAA Annual Meeting
AMS Sectional Meeting at Kansas State Univ.

DEADLINE FOR JANUARY 99 COUNCIL ITEMS
AMS Council
AMS-MAA Annual Meeting

- Kans.

SITE

Baltimore, MD
Baltimore, MD
Manhattan, KS

San Antonio, TX


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Graham will remain on the Council and as a member of the Executive Committee while serving as Ex-president.
    ${ }^{2}$ Morawetz will become President.
    ${ }^{3}$ Rieffel will remain on the Council as a member of the Executive Committee. His term on the Executive Committee will end when a new member is elected in Spring 1998.
    ${ }^{4}$ These rules appear in the Manual for Officers and Trustees, a new version of which will be available soon.

[^1]:    ${ }^{5}$ An item in the Consent Agenda is considered approved unless the Council agrees to discussion of the item. 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 . . . ."

[^2]:    ${ }^{6}$ The Council has put the decisions concerning site and dates for meetings in the hands of the Secretariat. The Secretariat, deciding that a decision not to participate in Mathfest 1996 was one that had manifold implications, decided to forward this recommendation to COMC, to the ECBT, and to the Council.
    ${ }^{7}$ The August 94 Council adopted an amendment for consideration by the membership in the 1995 Election. The amendment put to the membership for ratification in the 1994 Election failed to gain approval. The current Council has an amendment on the floor. The amendments that may or will be put to the membership in the 1995 Election can be found in C, where they are gathered in one place for the convenience of the members.

