## Council Minutes

# April 6, 2019 <br> Chicago, Illinois 

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The Council of the Society met at noon on Saturday, April 6, 2019 in the Orchard Room of the Chicago O'Hare Hilton Hotel, O'Hare International Airport, Chicago, IL 60666. These are the minutes of the meeting. Although several items were discussed in Executive Session, all actions taken are reported in these minutes.

## Conflict of Interest Policy for Officers and Committee Members

## (as approved by the January 2007 Council)

A conflict of interest may exist when the personal interest (financial or other) or concerns of any committee member, or the member's immediate family, or any group or organization to which the member has an allegiance or duty, may be seen as competing or conflicting with the interests or concerns of the AMS.

When any such potential conflict of interest is relevant to a matter requiring participation by the member in any action by the AMS or the committee to which the member belongs, the interested party shall call it to the attention of the chair of the committee and such person shall not vote on the matter. Moreover, the person having a conflict shall retire from the room in which the committee is meeting (or from email or conference call) and shall not participate in the deliberation or decision regarding the matter under consideration.

The foregoing requirements shall not be construed as preventing the member from briefly stating his/her position in the matter, nor from answering pertinent questions of other members.

When there is a doubt as to whether a conflict of interest exists, and/or whether a member should refrain from voting, the matter shall be resolved by a vote of the committee, excluding the person concerning whose situation the doubt has arisen.

Minutes of the meeting of the committee shall reflect when the conflict of interest was disclosed and when the interested person did not vote.

# AMS Policy on a Welcoming Environment 

(as approved by the January 2015 Council and modified by the January 2019 AMS
Council)

The AMS strives to ensure that participants in its activities enjoy a welcoming environment. In all its activities, the AMS seeks to foster an atmosphere that encourages the free expression and exchange of ideas. The AMS supports equality of opportunity and treatment for all participants, regardless of gender, gender identity or expression, race, color, national or ethnic origin, religion or religious belief, age, marital status, sexual orientation, disabilities, veteran status, or immigration status.

Harassment is a form of misconduct that undermines the integrity of AMS activities and mission.

The AMS will make every effort to maintain an environment that is free of harassment, even though it does not control the behavior of third parties. A commitment to a welcoming environment is expected of all attendees at AMS activities, including mathematicians, students, guests, staff, contractors and exhibitors, and participants in scientific sessions and social events. To this end, the AMS will include a statement concerning its expectations towards maintaining a welcoming environment in registration materials for all its meetings, and has put in place a mechanism for reporting violations. Violations may be reported confidentially and anonymously to 855-282-5703 or at www.mathsociety.ethicspoint.com. The reporting mechanism ensures the respect of privacy while alerting the AMS to the situation. For AMS policy statements concerning discrimination and harassment, see:
www.ams.org/about-us/governance/policy-statements/anti-harassment-policy.

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## 1 Call to Order

### 1.1 Opening of the Meeting and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 noon (CDT). President Jill Pipher presided and called on members and guests to introduce themselves. Members present: Alejandro Adem, Georgia Benkart, Brian Boe, Danny Calegari, Erika Camacho, Henry Cohn, Nathan Dunfield, Sergey Fomin, Daniel Freed, David Jerison, Michel Lapidus, Gregory Lawler, Susan Loepp, Irina Mitrea, Zbigniew Nitecki, Kasso Okoudjou, Matthew Papanikolas, Maria Cristina Pereyra, Jill Pipher, Victor Reiner, Kenneth Ribet, Carla Savage, Brooke Shipley, Gigliola Staffilani, Abigail Thompson, Ravi Vakil, Anthony Várilly-Alvarado, Talitha Washington, Steven Weintraub, and Melanie Matchett Wood.

Members not in attendance were Susanne Brenner, Susan Friedlander, Robert Guralnick, Jane Hawkins, Ken Ono, and Peter Sarnak.

Among the guests present were Matthew Ando (Trustee), Jeanette DiScala (Program Manager, Office of the Secretary), Edward Dunne (AMS Executive Editor for Mathematical Reviews), Rebecca Garcia (Nominating Committee Representative), Sergei Gelfand (AMS Publisher), Robert Harington (AMS Associate Executive Director for Publishing), Bryna Kra (Trustee), Robin Marek (AMS Development Director), Catherine Roberts (AMS Executive Director), Karen Saxe (AMS Associate Executive Director, Office for Governmental Relations), and T. Christine Stevens (AMS Associate Executive Director for Meetings and Professional Services).

### 1.2 Conflict of Interest Policy

The Conflict of Interest Policy for Officers and Committee Members was included as frontmatter at the beginning of this agenda (Page iiii). Council members were asked to alert the President and the Secretary to any agenda items with which they may have a conflict of interest. It is noted for the record that the President and the Secretary were not alerted to any conflicts.

### 1.3 Recent Additions to this Council

Newly elected Council members took office on February 1, 2019 and they are:

Vice President Abigail Thompson, University of California, Davis<br>Members at Large Daniel S. Freed, University of Texas at Austin Susan Loepp, Williams College<br>Kasso A. Okoudjou, University of Maryland \& MIT<br>Maria Cristina Pereyra, University of New Mexico<br>Melanie Machett Wood, University of Wisconsin-Madison

### 1.4 List of Council Members

A list of current Council members can be found in Attachment A.

## 2 Minutes

### 2.1 January 2019 Council Meeting

The January 2019 Council Minutes were distributed by mail prior to the meeting.
The following corrections were pointed out:

- In Item 1.1, the correct spelling of a Council Member's name is Jesús De Loera.
- In Item 4.3, the correct spelling of the Chair of the Mathematical Reviews Editorial Committee (MREC) is Danny Calegari.
- In Item 4.7.4 the first sentence should read " . . . voted to recommend the following change to Council."
- In Item 4.7.4 sub item number 2 needs a period.
- In Item 4.7.4 the last sentence should read "Corporate Membership . . ."
- In Item 4.9 the last sentence should read " . . . reported on behalf . . . "
- In Item 6.2 the last sentence should read "A copy of her report is included . . ."

The January 2019 Council Minutes, with these corrections, were approved.

### 2.2 Business by Mail

The Council conducted business by mail since the January 2019 meeting. Minutes for this business are attached (Attachment B). The action taken was to elect Gigliola Staffilani to the Executive Committee of the Council for a four-year term March 1, 2019 - February 28, 2023. Council also approved these minutes.

### 2.3 November 2018 Executive Committee and Board of Trustees Meeting

The Executive Committee and Board of Trustees (ECBT) met in November in Providence. The November 2018 ECBT Minutes were distributed and are considered part of the minutes of the Council. They are available at:
http://wWw.ams.org/about-us/governance/ecbt-meetings/ecbt-minutes-1118.pdf

## 3 Consent Agenda

There were no Consent Agenda items.

## 4 Reports of Boards and Standing Committees

### 4.1 Nominating Committee [Executive Session]

The Nominating Committee had recommendations for the Council pertaining to the forthcoming AMS Election in Fall 2019. Rebecca Garcia, a member of the Nominating Committee, reported.

### 4.1.1 Vice President

The Nominating Committee recommended the appointment of Fan Chung Graham (University of California San Diego) and Francis Edward Su (Harvey Mudd College) as candidates for election to one position as Vice President for a three-year term February 1, 2020 - January 31, 2023. The Council appointed the two of them as candidates.

### 4.1.2 Members at Large of the Council

The Nominating Committee recommended the following individuals as candidates for election for five positions as Member at Large of the Council for a three-year term February 1, 2020 - January 31, 2023:

1. Terrence Richard Blackman (Medgar Evers College)
2. Stephan R. Garcia (Pomona College)
3. Dan Margalit (Georgia Institute of Technology)
4. Helen Moore (AstraZeneca)
5. Rosa C. Orellana (Dartmouth College)
6. Seth Sullivant (North Carolina State University)
7. Dylan Paul Thurston (Indiana University)
8. Maggy T. Tomova (University of Iowa)
9. Bianca Viray (University of Washington)
10. Guoliang Yu (Texas A \& M University)

The Council appointed these ten as candidates.

### 4.1.3 Trustee

The Nominating Committee recommended the appointment of Joseph H. Silverman (Brown University) and Solomon Friedberg (Boston College) as candidates for election
to one position as Trustee for a five-year term February 1, 2020 - January 31, 2025. The Council appointed them as candidates.

### 4.2 Editorial Boards Committee [Executive Session]

Council approved the Editorial Boards Committee's recommendation to reappoint Susanne Brenner as Managing Editor of Mathematics of Computation for a third term February 1, 2020 - January 31, 2024.

### 4.3 Notices Editorial Committee [Executive Session]

Council approved a recommendation of Erica Flapan, Chief Editor of the Notices, to appoint Susan Wei (University of Melbourne, Australia) as a Notices Associate Editor for the term May 1, 2019 - December 31, 2021. Wei is replacing another Associate Editor who stepped down.

### 4.4 Committee on Education

The Committee on Education (COE) gave its annual report to the January 2019 Council, and that report is filed with the January 2019 Council Meeting Minutes. There were no updates to report.

### 4.5 Committee on Science Policy

The Committee on Science Policy (CSP) gave its annual report to the January 2019 Council and that report is filed with the January 2019 Council Meeting Minutes. The 2019 CSP meeting will be held April 15-16, 2019 in Washington, DC.

### 4.6 Committee on Meetings and Conferences

The Committee on Meetings and Conferences (CoMC) met in Chicago on March 9, 2019. T. Christine Stevens, Associate Executive Director for Meetings and Professional Services, reported on behalf of the CoMC Chair, Kelly McKinnie.

Stevens reported that most of CoMC's meeting was focused on the future of the JMM.
She said that CoMC had conducted a focus group meeting at the JMM in Baltimore to get feedback from participants about the meeting. Attendees appreciated the diversity of programming, that there is something for everyone. It was mentioned that the meeting can be overwhelming due to its size and suggestions were made to facilitate networking to bring together groups with similar interests. There was concern about the future of JMM and whether it would continue to include diverse programming such as sessions on the scholarship of teaching and learning, pedagogy, and curriculum.

CoMC spent time discussing the future of JMM. Stevens reported that CoMC felt it was important to continue to have a broad-based meeting and felt a vision statement was needed in order to plan. CoMC proposed a statement for Council approval (see Item 6.2.2 below).
CoMC also recommended creation of a structure to oversee choices about what should be in JMM (Item 6.2.3 below).

Stevens reported on other CoMC business. As recommended by CoMC and supported by the Council, AMS staff is developing a plan for childcare grants at sectional meetings and hopes to implement it in 2020. CoMC is also considering drafting a policy about whether or not AMS meetings should be held in states that have laws that discriminate against various subgroups of people. Finally, Stevens reported that CoMC chose sectional meetings as the topic for this year's review.

A full report from the committee will be attached to the January 2020 Council Agenda.

### 4.7 Committee on the Profession

The annual report of the Committee on the Profession (CoProf) is part of the January 2019 Council Meeting Minutes. On behalf of the CoProf Chair, Wilfred Gangbo, T. Christine Stevens reported on some updates.

Stevens reported that there are subcommittees at work reviewing the Centennial Fellowship and the Morgan Prize. Another subcommittee is drafting a proposal to create an AMS Committee on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion.

President Pipher provided an update on the activites of the latter subcommittee. Pipher reported that the consensus of the subcommittee is that, like many other professional organizations, the AMS needs a Committee on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (CoEDI). Their intention is that this committee be a Policy Committee so that it interacts with Council where the real work is done that moves the organization forward. The CoEDI should not be a place to silo diversity and inclusion.

Pipher went on to say that, having agreed on certain principles, the subcommittee is now working on aspects of the charge. For one, the CoEDI would identify data that should be collected by the AMS and tracked over time to be used by the committee to formulate goals and benchmarks, to identify and propose programs and activities that promote equity, diversity, and inclusion, and to help in achieving those goals. The CoEDI will need staff support at the AMS to be effective.

Pipher noted that the subcommittee has not yet reported to CoProf, but is eager to hear ideas from the Council. One suggestion from Council was to have overlap between the new committee and each policy committee.

After Pipher's report, Stevens brought forward the following new item from CoProf for Council consideration.

### 4.7.1 Policy Statement on Diversity and Inclusion

In February 2019 business by mail, CoProf agreed to recommend the following policy statement to the Council for approval:

The American Mathematical Society is committed to promoting and facilitating diversity and inclusion throughout the mathematical sciences. For its own longterm prosperity as well as that of the public at large, our discipline must connect with and appropriately incorporate all sectors of society.

We reaffirm the pledge in the AMS Mission Statement to "advance the status of the profession of mathematics, encouraging and facilitating full participation of all individuals," and urge all members to conduct their professional activities with this goal in mind.

There was a motion to add the word "equity" to the name of the policy statement and to its first sentence. This motion passed. The amended statement reads:

## Policy Statement on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

The American Mathematical Society is committed to promoting and facilitating equity, diversity and inclusion throughout the mathematical sciences. For its own long-term prosperity as well as that of the public at large, our discipline must connect with and appropriately incorporate all sectors of society.

We reaffirm the pledge in the AMS Mission Statement to "advance the status of the profession of mathematics, encouraging and facilitating full participation of all individuals," and urge all members to conduct their professional activities with this goal in mind.
Council approved the Policy Statement on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, as amended.
Council then considered whether to adopt the policy statement so as to speak in the name of the Society, as described in Article IV, Section 8 of the Bylaws of the American Mathematical Society (Attachment C).

Council voted to put "adoption of the Policy Statement on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion so as to speak in the name of the Society" on the agenda for its January 2020 meeting. At that meeting a two-thirds majority vote will be required to so adopt the statement.

### 4.8 Committee on Publications

The Committee on Publications (CPub) gave its annual report to the January 2019 Council, and that report is filed with the January 2019 Council Meeting Minutes. There were no updates to report.

### 4.9 Short Course Subcommittee

The 2019 report of this committee is attached (Attachment D) and has been filed.

## 5 Old Business

### 5.1 Creation of a Prize Oversight Committee of the Council

At its January 2019 meeting, Council considered CoProf's recommendation to create a Prize Oversight Committee that would be responsible for prize-related matters currently in CoProf's purview, as well as efforts to increase the number and diversity of nominees and the diversity of awardees and Fellows. It was intended that this committee report directly to the Council.

The motion was tabled at the January 2019 meeting, while President Jill Pipher appointed a task force to flesh out the charge for this committee. The task force, consisting of Jill Pipher (President), Carla Savage (Secretary), Abigail Thompson (Vice President), and Jesús De Loera (Executive Committee), produced the report in Attachment E. The task force recommended the following charge:

## Prize Oversight Committee

## General Description

- Six at large members, appointed by the President, three-year terms.
- Three ex-officio members: Executive Director (non-voting), President and Secretary.
- President appoints the Chair.
- Annual in-person meeting, conference call meetings as necessary.
- Executive Director to assign staff support (to ensure committee can be effective).


## Principal Activities

This committee is charged with oversight of prizes, awards, and fellowships. The responsibility for individual prize creation and maintenance issues will remain with the Committee on the Profession (CoProf).

The inaugural charge of this committee shall be to:

- Review the Prizes, Awards, Fellowships and Fellows Program periodically. In particular, take over from CoProf the responsibility to regularly review, every 3-5 years, the minimal value, frequency and number of existing prizes and awards, and make recommendations for changes or the introduction of new prizes or awards. In addition, undertake a review of the Fellows Program after its initial ten years and periodically thereafter. (All of this was formerly in the purview of CoProf).
- Develop and implement an approach to recruit larger, more diverse pools of nominees. Further, develop data-driven processes to measure success of these efforts.
- Review and update prize nomination guidelines. Create and recommend templates and forms in order to uniformize and encourage nominations.
- Work with the Development Committee to identify priorities for the establishment of new prizes and awards.
- Recommend policies and procedures for the revocation of an award or fellowship, consistent with best practices of other societies and academic institutions.
- Consider other prize/award-related issues referred to it by Council or CoProf.

The committee should report annually to Council.
The tabled motion to create a Prize Oversight Committee was brought to the floor. After discussion about the committee and its charge, Council voted to approve the creation of a Prize Oversight Committee.

Council then turned its attention to the charge, with a motion to approve the charge recommended by the task force. It was moved to amend the proposed charge to move the second bullet item to the top of the list of bullet items. The motion carried. It was then moved and seconded to replace the "the minimal value, frequency and number of existing prizes and awards" by the reordering: "the frequency, number, and minimal value of existing prizes and awards". This motion also carried.

Council then approved the charge to the Prize Oversight Committee, with the proposed General Description and Principal Activities but with the amended inaugural charge reading:

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- Develop and implement an approach to recruit larger, more diverse pools of nominees. Further, develop data-driven processes to measure success of these efforts.
- Review the Prizes, Awards, Fellowships and Fellows Program periodically. In particular, take over from CoProf the responsibility to regularly review, every 3-5 years, the frequency, number and minimal value of existing prizes and awards, and make recommendations for changes or the introduction of new prizes or awards. In addition, undertake a review of the Fellows Program after its initial ten years and periodically thereafter. (All of this was formerly in the purview of CoProf.)
- Review and update prize nomination guidelines. Create and recommend templates and forms in order to uniformize and encourage nominations.
- Work with the Development Committee to identify priorities for the establishment of new prizes and awards.
- Recommend policies and procedures for the revocation of an award or fellowship, consistent with best practices of other societies and academic institutions.
- Consider other prize/award-related issues referred to it by Council or CoProf.


### 5.2 Missed Reference in 2017 Bylaws Change

In the 2017 AMS Election, the membership approved a change in the Bylaws making each Associate Secretary a voting member of Council. Previously, at each Council meeting, only one of the Associate Secretaries was designated to have a vote.

The proposed Bylaws change approved by the membership in 2017 inadvertently neglected to delete a reference to the "designated associate secretary" in Article IV, Section 4 of the Bylaws:

Article IV, Section 4. All members of the Council shall be voting members. Each member, including deputies and the designated associate secretary, shall have one vote. The method for settling matters before the Council at any meeting shall be by majority vote of the members present. If the result of a vote is challenged, it shall be the duty of the presiding officer to determine the true vote by a roll call. In a roll call vote, each Council member shall vote only once (although possibly a member of the Council in several capacities).

Bylaws can only be changed by a vote of the membership. However, since the 2017 vote of the membership makes the phrase "designated associate secretary" obsolete, the Secretary recommended that Council approve deleting it from the Bylaws without requiring a further membership vote.

Council approved deleting this reference from the Bylaws without requiring a further membership vote.

## 6 New Business

### 6.1 Executive Director Report

AMS Executive Director Catherine Roberts delivered her annual report to the Council, focusing on changes on the horizon and highlights from 2018. The full report is attached (Attachment F).

### 6.2 The Joint Mathematics Meetings

### 6.2.1 Annual Council Discussion: Reimagining the Joint Mathematics Meetings

Since 2002, Council has devoted a portion of its April meeting to a discussion of one of the items in its purview. At its meeting in November 2018, the Council's Executive Committee decided the topic for this meeting would be "Reimagining the Joint Mathematics Meetings."

Starting in 2022 the AMS will take over management of the Joint Mathematics Meetings and MAA will be reducing its presence to focus on MathFest. This offers the AMS an opportunity to develop a new model for the JMM.

Suggested questions/discussion items were:

- Which elements of the traditional AMS Scientific Program should we continue? (The Secretariat recommends that all current AMS scientific elements of the JMM continue. These include Special Sessions, Invited Addresses (5), Gibbs Lecture, Colloquium Lectures, Contributed Paper Sessions, Joint AWM-AMS Noether Lecture, the Joint AMSMAA Lectures (2), and the Porter Lecture.)
- What elements of the JMM program that are currently sponsored by the MAA should the AMS continue?
- Are there any brand new types of sessions or events that should be introduced into JMM?

Catherine Roberts started the discussion by providing an update on the planning so far and answering questions. There was a lively discussion with many suggestions. The suggestions will be submitted to the newly created Joint Meetings Planning Committee (Item 6.2.3).

### 6.2.2 Breadth of JMM Programming in 2022 and Beyond

The Committee on Meetings and Conferences (CoMC) felt it important that the AMS commit to maintaining the breadth of JMM programming in 2022 and beyond:

CoMC recommends that Council endorse the principle that JMM will continue to represent the full spectrum of interests of the mathematical community.

It was moved and seconded to replace the word "continue" with the word "strive." The motion carried. Council then voted to endorse the following amended resolution:

JMM will strive to represent the full spectrum of interests of the mathematical community.

### 6.2.3 Joint Meetings Planning Committee

The Joint Meetings Committee (JMC) is a joint AMS-MAA committee that currently governs and "oversees all phases of the conduct of the JMM," including site selection and
the overall structure of the program. Its charge can be found at: http://www.ams.org/ aboutus/governance/committees/jtmtgs-charge.pdf. After JMM 2021, the JMC will cease to exist.

CoMC recommended that the Council create an ad hoc Joint Meetings Planning Committee with the following charge:

## General Description

Committee is ad hoc.
Number of members is 6 , consisting of

- AMS Executive Director
- AMS Secretary
- One Associate Secretary, appointed by the President
- One at large member, appointed by the President for a 3-year term
- AMS Associate Executive Director for Meetings and Professional Services
- AMS Director of Meetings and Conferences


## Principal Activities

To oversee the planning for and conduct of the annual January mathematics meetings, including the overall structure of the program, the overall schedule, and the inclusion of sessions and events sponsored by other organizations.

The Joint Meetings Planning Committee will keep the Council and the Board of Trustees informed of its planning activities.

Council approved the creation of an ad hoc Joint Meetings Planning Committee with the charge proposed.

### 6.3 Fellows Resignation Request

Executive Director Catherine Roberts asked the Council for input on how the AMS might handle requests from Fellows who want to resign their fellowship. The AMS currently has a request from a Fellow to resign.

It was agreed that any Fellow has the right to resign. The discussion was about what this entails. Council voted to approve the following.

- Resigning a Fellowship will remove the Fellow's name from the Fellows database and from the list of Fellows posted here: http://www.ams.org/profession/fellows-list but not from any historical records, such as previous announcements of new classes of Fellows.
- No special indication will be made on the Fellows website of a resignation, only the removal of the name.
- A resignation is permanent. If the individual resigning Fellowship desires to become a Fellow again, they would need to be renominated and go through the usual process.


## 7 Announcements, Information and Record

### 7.1 Presidential Nominations for the 2019 AMS Elections

Each year, the President of the Society names at least four candidates for two elected positions on the Editorial Boards Committee and at least six candidates for three elected positions on the Nominating Committee. President Pipher named the following candidates:

Editorial Boards Committee Charles L. Epstein, University of Pennsylvania Kavita Ramanan, Brown University Rodolfo H. Torres, University of Kansas Tamar D. Ziegler, Hebrew University of Jerusalem<br>Nominating Committee Kristin E. Lauter, Microsoft Research<br>Robert L. Pego, Carnegie Mellon University<br>Malabika Pramanik, University of British Columbia<br>Prasad V. Tetali, Georgia Institute of Technology<br>Tatiana Toro, University of Washington<br>Talithia Williams, Harvey Mudd College

### 7.2 Centennial Fellowship

Upon recommendation of the AMS Centennial Fellowship Committee, Piotr Przytycki (McGill University) was offered and has accepted the 2019-2020 Centennial Fellowship. The amount of the Fellowship for 2019-2020 is $\$ 93,000$, with an additional expense allowance of $\$ 9,300$.

### 7.3 Joan and Joseph Birman Fellowship for Women Scholars

Upon recommendation of the AMS Birman Fellowship Committee, Lillian Beatrix Pierce (Duke University) was offered and has accepted the 2019-2020 Joan and Joseph Birman Fellowship for Women Scholars. The amount of the Fellowship for 2019-2020 is $\$ 50,000$.

### 7.4 Colloquium and Gibbs Lecturers

The Executive Committee (EC) supported the recommendations of the Colloquium Lecturer Committee to invite Ingrid Daubechies (Duke University) and the Gibbs Lecturer Committee to invite Nancy Reid (University of Toronto) to give the Colloquium and Gibbs Lectures at the JMM 2020 in Denver. Both have accepted.

### 7.5 AMS Lecture at MathFest

The AMS Lecture at MathFest 2019 in Denver will be delivered by Eva Tardos (Cornell University).

### 7.6 AWM-AMS Noether Lecture

The AWM-AMS Noether Lecture at the 2020 JMM will be delivered by Birgit Speh (Cornell University).

### 7.7 MAA-AMS-SIAM Porter Public Lecture

The 2020 MAA-AMS-SIAM Gerald and Judith Porter Public Lecture will be delivered by Rajiv Maheswaran at the 2020 JMM.

### 7.8 Next Council Meeting

The next AMS Council Meeting will be held Tuesday, January 14, 2020, in Denver, starting at 1:30 p.m. (MST). The Secretary requests that items for the Council Agenda be submitted by Monday, November 25, 2019.

### 7.9 Future Scientific and Governance Meetings

See the listing of future meetings in Attachment G.

## 8 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:02 p.m. (CDT).

## ATTACHMENTS

## 2019 AMS GOVERNANCE

## 2019 COUNCIL

## Officers

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Immediate Past President
Vice Presidents

Secretary
Associate Secretaries

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Bulletin of the AMS
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Executive Committee
Executive Committee
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Math Surveys \& Monographs
Mathematics of Computation
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| Jill C. Pipher | Brown University | 31 Jan 2021 |
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| Kenneth A. Ribet | University of California, Berkeley | 31 Jan 2020 |
| David Jerison | MIT | 31 Jan 2020 |
| Ken Ono | Emory University | 31 Jan 2021 |
| Abigail Thompson | University of California, Davis | 31 Jan 2022 |
| Carla D. Savage | North Carolina State University | 31 Jan 2021 |
| Georgia Benkart | University of Wisconsin | 31 Jan 2020 |
| Brian D. Boe | University of Georgia | 31 Jan 2021 |
| Michel Lapidus | University of California, Riverside | 31 Jan 2020 |
| Steven H. Weintraub | Lehigh University | 31 Jan 2021 |
| Jane M. Hawkins | University of North Carolina | 31 Jan 2021 |
| Zbigniew Nitecki | Tufts University | 31 Jan 2020 |

## Representatives of Committees

| Susan J. Friedlander | University of Southern California | 31 Jan 2021 |
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| Peter Sarnak | Princeton University | 31 Jan 2021 |
| Alejandro Adem | University of British Columbia | 28 Feb 2020 |
| Henry Cohn | Microsoft Research New England | 28 Feb 2022 |
| Gigliola Staffilani | MIT | 28 Feb 2023 |
| Sergey Fomin | University of Michigan | 31 Jan 2021 |
| Danny C. Calegari | University of Chicago | 31 Jan 2024 |
| Robert M. Guralnick | University of Southern California | 31 Jan 2022 |
| Susanne C. Brenner | Louisiana State University | 31 Jan 2020 |
| Matthew A. Papanikolas | Texas A \& M University | 31 Jan 2022 |
| Alejandro Adem | University of British Columbia | 31 Jan 2021 |

## Members at Large

Nathan M. Dunfield
Gregory F. Lawler
Irina Mitrea
Ravi Vakil
Talitha M. Washington
Erika T. Camacho
Victor Reiner
Brooke Shipley
Gigliola Staffilani
Anthony Várilly-Alvarado
Daniel S. Freed
Susan Loepp
Kasso A. Okoudjou
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## 2019 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

| Alejandro Adem | University of British Columbia | 28 Feb 2020 |
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| Gigliola Staffilani | Massachusetts Institute of Technology | 28 Feb 2023 |
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# AMERICAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL BUSINESS BY MAIL <br> 1 MARCH 2019 

## Executive Committee Election

In an email ballot dated February 12, 2019, there were 30 votes cast, by:

Alejandro Adem
Georgia Benkart
Brian Boe
Susanne Brenner
Erika Camacho
Henry Cohn
Jesús De Loera
Nathan Dunfield
Sergey Fomin
Daniel Freed
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Gregory Lawler

The result of this election was:

Gigliola Staffilani 14
Talitha Washington 13
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Susan Loepp
Zbigniew Nitecki
Kasso Okoudjou
Ken Ono
Matthew Papanikolas
Maria Cristina Pereyra
Jill Pipher
Victor Reiner
Kenneth Ribet
Carla Savage
Brooke Shipley
Gigliola Staffilani
Abigail Thompson
Anthony Várilly-Alvarado
Melanie Wood

Accordingly, Staffilani was appointed to the Executive Committee for a term of four years, beginning March 01, 2019, and ending when a replacement is determined in the election of February 2023.

Carla D. Savage
Secretary
March 1, 2019

# Speaking in the name of the American Mathematical Society 

Excerpt from the AMS Bylaws:
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 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.

February 5, 2019

## To the AMS Council:

Following is the Annual Report of the AMS Short Course Subcommittee for 2018
Committee Members, 2018
Andrew Bernoff (Harvey Mudd College)
Greg Bard (University of Wisconsin, Stout)
Irene Fonseca (Carnegie Mellon University)
Joel Hass (University of California, Davis, chair)
Joel Tropp (California Institute of Technology)
René Carmona (Princeton University)
Thaleia Zariphopoulou (University of Texas, Austin)
In January 2018, the Short Course "Discrete Differential Geometry" ran at the Joint Mathematics Meetings in San Diego, with 91 individuals registering. An article by Keenan Crane and Max Wardetzky, two of the organizers, appeared in the November 2017 issue of the Notices of the AMS

By February 2018, the Committee received two proposals to organize a short course at the 2019 Joint Meetings:

- Stochastic Algorithms
- Sum of Squares: Theory and Applications

The Committee requested revisions from both sets of proposers, and in a conference call on March 2, 2018, it selected "Sum of Squares: Theory and Applications," organized by Rekha Thomas (University of Washington) and Pablo Parrilo (MIT), for the 2019 Short Course. The announcement for the course was published in the Notices of the AMS, and by mid-December approximately 65 individuals had preregistered.

Throughout mid- to late-2018, the AMS published a call for proposals to organize the 2020 Short Course, and members of the committee worked to solicit proposals. In mid-December 2018 the committee had received two proposals,

- Mean Field Games: Theory and Applications
- Weakly Differentiable Functions: from Classical Theory to Modern Innovations

After discussion vie email, the consensus of the committee was that the Mean Field Games proposal better met the criteria of the request for a Short Course. It is currently working with the organizers of this proposal to finalize the structure of the 2020 course.

Joel Hass, Chair

# Report of the Task Force to Draft a Charge for the Prize Oversight Committee 

Members of the Task Force

March 1, 2019
Jill Pipher (President), Carla Savage (Secretary), Abigail Thompson (Vice President), Jesús De Loera (Executive Committee of the Council)

The charge to the Task Force is to provide an agenda item for the April 2019 Council meeting proposing the establishment of a new Prize Oversight Committee. Materials in support of this agenda item will likely include both a rationale for establishing this new committee, as well as a proposed charge for the committee. The deadline for the Council agenda item is Friday, March 1, and the deadline for any supporting documentation is Thursday, March 14.

## Draft charge for Prize and Award Oversight Committee

6 members, 3 -year terms, annual in person meeting, conference call meetings as necessary.
Members appointed by the AMS President, chair appointed by the President, committee supported by the Executive Director.

This committee is charged with oversight of prizes, awards, and fellowships. The responsibility for individual prize creation and maintenance issues will remain with CoProf.

The inaugural charge of this committee shall be to:
a. Review the Prizes, Awards, Fellowships and Fellows program periodically. In particular, take over from CoProf the responsibility to regularly review, every 3-5 years, the minimal value, frequency and number of existing prizes and awards, and make recommendations for changes or the introduction of new prizes or awards. In addition, undertake a review of the Fellows Program after its initial ten years and periodically thereafter. (All of this was formerly in the purview of the prize oversight subcommittee of CoProf).
b. Develop and implement an approach to recruit larger, more diverse pools of nominees. Further, develop data-driven processes to measure success of these efforts.
c. Review and update prize nomination guidelines. Create and recommend templates and forms in order to uniformize and encourage nominations.
d. Work with the Development Committee to identify priorities for the establishment of new prizes and awards.
e. Recommend policies and procedures for the revocation of an award or fellowship, consistent with best practices of other societies and academic institutions.
f. Consider other prize/award-related issues referred to it by Council or CoProf.

# Below is a sample list of prize-related issues that CoProf has dealt with at their annual meetings over the last five years. Most of these are "prize maintenance" issues. These items could remain in CoProf's charge. 

## 2018

AMS Fellows Program: CoProf recommended a change in the nomination form for this program that would highlight the importance of the three support statements.

Prize Oversight Committee: CoProf currently has a Prize Oversight Committee (POC) as a standing subcommittee. At its meeting in 2017, CoProf charged the POC with making recommendations about how to increase the number of nominations of women and underrepresented minorities for major AMS awards and Fellowships. After discussion of the subcommittee's report, CoProf recommended the creation of a Prize Oversight Committee that would be a separate AMS committee, not a subcommittee of CoProf. It would be responsible for all prize-related matters currently in CoProf's purview, as well as efforts to increase the number and diversity of nominees and the diversity of awardees and Fellows. The POC's members were Elena Mantovan and Judy Walker (chair) from CoProf and Jesus De Loera.

Birman and Centennial Fellowships: CoProf recommended a change in the charge of the selection committees for these fellowships, in order to prohibit a member of the committee from writing a letter for an applicant. A similar prohibition already applies to the AMS Fellows program.

William Lockwood Forster Memorial Award: CoProf recommended the creation of this award, which is a scholarship for undergraduates, and a prize description for it. The selection process would be modeled on that of the Waldemar J. Trjitzinsky Memorial Awards, under which institutional members of the AMS are asked to choose the awardees. The amount and frequency of the award would be determined by the Board of Trustees.

In other business, CoProf agreed to the ECBT's request in May 2018 that it review the Centennial Fellowship. It also voted to join the Committee on Education in a review of the Department Chairs Workshop, and to join the MAA and SIAM in reviewing the Morgan Pri

## 2017

AMS Mary P. Dolciani Prize for Excellence in Research: CoProf recommended that the Council approve this new prize, which would be awarded to a mathematician from a primarily undergraduate institution. CoProf also endorsed the creation of a selection committee for the prize and approved its charge.

Bôcher, Cole, and Veblen Prizes: The Prize Oversight Committee (POC) reported the results of its review of the charges of the selection committees for these three prizes, and CoProf approved several changes in them. The members of the Prize Oversight Committee were Bryna Kra, David Savitt (chair), and Suzanne Weekes

Award for Distinguished Public Service: CoProf endorsed changes in the charge of the selection committee for this award. Those changes had been recommended by the committee and by the Secretary.

Prize Oversight Committee: For the coming year, this standing subcommittee of CoProf was charged with exploring strategies for increasing the number of nominations for AMS prizes and awards. Subcommittee members include John McCleary and Jeremy Teitelbaum.

Mathematics Programs that Make a Difference (PTMD): This award recognizes programs that succeed in bringing and keeping "more persons from underrepresented backgrounds into some portion of the pipeline beginning at the undergraduate level and leading to advanced degrees in mathematics and professional success." CoProf selects the recipient, and in 2017 the awardee was the National Alliance for Doctoral Studies in the Mathematical Sciences (Math Alliance).

Committee reports: CoProf discussed reports from $\qquad$ the Fellows Selection Committee, and $\qquad$

## 2016

Charge of the Cole Prize Committee: CoProf approved a clarification of the charge of the Cole Prize Committee. CoProf also asked its Prize Oversight Committee to review the language of the charge, including the term "North American journal." The members of the Prize Oversight Committee will be Bryna Kra, David Savitt (chair), and Suzanne Weekes.

Bertrand Russell Prize: The recently created Bertrand Russell Prize honors "research or service contributions of mathematicians or related professionals to promoting good in the world" and recognizes "the various ways that mathematics furthers human values." CoProf endorsed the creation of a selection committee for the prize and approved its charge.

Ulf Grenander Prize in Stochastic Theory and Modeling: After approving the prize description and guiding principles for this new prize, CoProf endorsed the creation of a selection committee for the prize and approved its charge.

Joan and Joseph Birman Fellowship: CoProf discussed a proposal to establish a series of yearlong, mid-career research fellowships for women, as a way of addressing the paucity of women at the highest levels of research in mathematics. CoProf recommended establishing the Joan and Joseph Birman Fellowship and the creation of a selection committee, along with its charge.

Mathematics Programs that Make a Difference (PTMD): Each year, CoProf recognizes at most two programs that succeed in bringing and keeping "more persons from underrepresented backgrounds into some portion of the pipeline beginning at the undergraduate level and leading to advanced degrees in mathematics and professional success." Recipients of the Mathematics Programs that Make a Difference Award receive a certificate, and an article about their program appears in the Notices, but there is currently no monetary award. The AMS has received a gift of $\$ 10,000$ whose donor wishes to use it to fund the PTMD award. CoProf voted to request the Council to fund the Mathematics Programs that Make a Difference Award as an award in the amount of $\$ 1000$, with one award being given each year. The subcommittee that will select the
awardee(s) for 2017 comprises Albert Boggess, Duane Cooper, Pamela Gorkin, and William McCallum (chair).

Mikhail Gordin Award: CoProf discussed a donor's interest in establishing an award in honor of the Russian mathematician Mikhail Gordin and asked the Development Committee to provide more details about the nature and functioning of the award.

## 2015

Annual Review: CoProf's annual review, conducted by a subcommittee, focused on identifying additional venues in which AMS prizes and awards could be presented. An agreement between the AMS and the Mathematical Association of America limits the number of prizes that may be given at the Joint Prize Session at the Joint Mathematics Meetings (JMM). As new prizes are added, it may become necessary to award some prizes in venues other than the Joint Prize Session.

The subcommittee made two specific recommendations. The first was to award the Conant Prize in conjunction with the annual Conant Lecture at Worcester Polytechnic Institute. That institution has given informal support for such an arrangement. The second was to devote one of the five AMS Invited Addresses at JMM to a lecture by the winner of the Steele Prize for Lifetime Achievement (or a designee), with the prize awarded at the start of the Invited Address. CoProf approved both recommendations. The first will go to the Council, and the second will be considered by the Secretariat and the Committee on Meetings and Conferences.

New prize in stochastic theory and modeling: CoProf was apprised of the possibility of establishing a new prize in stochastic theory and modeling. It voted to support the creation of an AMS prize in this area, with final details to be discussed by CoProf and approved by the Council. It did so with the understanding that the prize might have to be on the ECBT agenda in November 2015, in order to meet a request from the donors regarding the timing of their contributions.

Mathematics Programs that Make a Difference: Each year, CoProf recognizes at most two programs that succeed in bringing and keeping "more persons from underrepresented backgrounds into some portion of the pipeline beginning at the undergraduate level and leading to advanced degrees in mathematics and professional success." The programs recognized in 2015 were the Center for Undergraduate Research in Mathematics (CURM) at Brigham Young University and the Pacific Coast Undergraduate Mathematics Conference (PCUMC). Nominations for the 2016 award were due on September 15, 2015, and the one or two programs that are selected will be featured in the May 2016 issue of Notices.

Bertrand Russell Prize: CoProf endorsed the proposed Bertrand Russell Prize t0 honor "research or service contributions of mathematicians or related professionals to promoting good in the world" and to "recognize the various ways that mathematics furthers human values.

Nomination procedure for the Steele Prizes: CoProf discussed a recommendation from the Steele Prize Committee that limitations be established on the amount of material that can be submitted as part of a nomination for each of the Steele Prizes. CoProf agreed that it was reasonable to establish page limits on the nomination materials and endorsed "in spirit" the recommendation of the Steele Prize Committee regarding the material that can be submitted.

AMS Fellows program: CoProf considered the report of the AMS Fellows Selection Committee, which sought guidance about whether it is appropriate to elect as a Fellow someone who is currently serving in a government agency or private foundation in a policy- making capacity concerning funding of mathematics. CoProf chose not to address that issue but expressed concern that the number of Fellows currently selected annually is too small and that it may be creating ill will in the mathematical community.

## 2014

Math Programs that Make a Difference: Each year, CoProf recognizes at most twoprograms that succeed in bringing and keeping "more persons from underrepresentedbackgrounds into some portion of the pipeline beginning at the undergraduate level and leading to advanced degrees in mathematics and professional success." The programsrecognized in 2014 were the Carleton College Summer Mathematics Program (SMP) and the Rice University Summer Institute of Statistics (RUSIS). Nominations for the 2015 award were due on September 15, 2014, and the one or two programs that are selected will be featured in the May 2015 issue of the Notices.

Prize Oversight Committee: The current cycle that is used to award the Steele Prize for Seminal Research is: (1) algebra/number theory; (2) geometry/topology; (3) analysis; (4) applied mathematics; (5) an alternation between discrete mathematics and logic (each awarded every ten years). In two separate votes, CoProf endorsed the following changes in this cycle:
o That the cycle be (1) algebra/number theory; (2) geometry/topology; (3) analysis/probability; (4) applied mathematics; (5) discrete mathematics/logic.
o That the cycle be lengthened to six years, with the area of mathematics being entirely open in the sixth year.

Approval process for new prizes proposed by donors: CoProf endorsed a recommendation from the Secretary that the Council authorize the Executive Committee to act on its behalf in cases where negotiations with donors require timely decisions and confidentiality.

Centennial Fellowship: The current criteria for the Centennial Fellowship prohibit the recipient from holding it concurrently with a National Science Foundation CAREER Award. CoProf endorsed eliminating this restriction (but keeping the prohibition against simultaneously holding another major research fellowship, such as a Sloan fellowship or NSF Postdoctoral fellowship). This change would prevent problems caused by the fact that the Centennial Fellowship is typically announced before some of the CAREER awards have been made. Since CAREER

Awards generally do not provide academic-year support, CoProf felt that holding such a grant would not conflict with the Centennial Fellowship.

Committee charges: CoProf endorsed updated charges for the Karl Menger Fund Prize Committee, the Committee on Academic Freedom, Tenure, and Employment Security (CAFTES), and the Committee on Professional Ethics (COPE).

New prize in Lie theory: CoProf was apprised of the possibility of establishing a new research prize in Lie theory. After the CoProf meeting, a detailed description of the proposed Chevalley Prize was circulated to CoProf, which approved it by email.

New prize in differential equations: Through their estate plan, Edmond and Nancy Tomastik intend to donate funds to support an endowed prize in differential equations, and a letter of commitment has been signed. When the gift is received, a proposal to establish the new prize will go to CoProf for review.

AMS Fellows program: CoProf considered a proposal from the AMS Fellows Selection Committee that a nomination be eligible for a period of four years, rather than three. CoProf decided not to change the selection procedure at this time.

Annual review for 2015: For its annual review in 2015, CoProf chose the issue of identifying appropriate venues for presenting AMS prizes. For example, perhaps some prizes could be awarded at AMS Sectional meetings, thus taking pressure off the Joint Prize Session at the Joint Mathematics Meetings. A subcommittee was appointed to consider this topic.

Below are 39 of the current Prizes, Awards, and Fellowships of the AMS, a few are sponsored by other organizations. There are several new prizes in the works that do not appear here yet.

Award for Impact on the Teaching and Learning of Mathematics

Award for an Exemplary Program or Achievement in a Mathematics Department

Programs that Make a Difference

Levi L. Conant Prize

Frank and Brennie Morgan Prize for Outstanding Research by an Undergraduate Student
E. H. Moore Research Article Prize

David P. Robbins Prize

Ruth Lyttle Satter Prize in Mathematics

Oswald Veblen Prize in Geometry

Norbert Wiener Prize in Applied Mathematics

AMS Mary P. Dolciani Prize for Excellence in Research

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JPBM Communications Award
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| Centennial Fellowships |
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| Joan and Joseph Birman Fellowship for Women Scholars |


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AMS Award for Outstanding Pi Mu Epsilon Student Paper Presentation

Waldemar J. Trijitzinsky Memorial Award

Karl Menger Memorial Awards

Mathematical Art Exhibition Award

AWM-AMS Noether Lectures

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| Chevalley Prize in Lie Theory |
| Leroy P. Steele Prize for Lifetime Achievement |
| Leroy P. Steele Prize for Mathematical Exposition |
| Leroy P. Steele Prize for Seminal Contribution to Research |
| Award for Distinguished Public Service |
| Bôcher Memorial Prize |
| Frank Nelson Cole Prize in Number Theory |
| AMS Fellows |
| Seorge David Birkhoff Prize in Applied Mathematics |
| Sandic Policy Award |
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| Leonard Eisenbud Prize for Mathematics and Physics |


| Frank Nelson Cole Prize in Algebra |
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| Albert Leon Whiteman Memorial Prize |
| Bertrand Russell Prize |
| Ulf Grenander Prize in Stochastic Theory and Modeling |
| Delbert Ray Fulkerson Prize |
| Beal Prize |

## Executive Director Report to the AMS Council <br> April 6, 2019 <br> Page 1 of 3

In January 2019 I reported to the AMS Council about the many changes on the horizon.
Some changes have to do with people. We welcomed new governance leaders on February $1^{\text {st }}$, and searches are underway for a new Secretary and a new Treasurer who will both start in 2021. The early edge of an anticipated large wave of staff retirements has also washed ashore. The AMS is hiring and restructuring. Five new staff mathematicians will start this summer: four new editors for Mathematical Reviews in Ann Arbor and one new Director of Education in DC. We are taking advantage of this turnover to create a modernized and efficient workflow throughout the AMS.

Other changes relate to projects. Many of these are associated with our five-year Strategic Plan, whose implementation is now half-way complete. The Plan focuses on diversity and inclusion; advocacy, awareness, and visibility; membership; portfolio coherence; and research and publishing. You were introduced the new AMS logo two JMMs ago. At the JMM this year, you saw enhanced activities at the AMS booth highlighting how our society is advancing research and creating connections. We also launched the public phase of our Campaign for the Next Generation in January. The active Campaign Committee continues to raise the remaining $\$ 200,000$ needed to meet our goal of $\$ 1.5$ million, which, as you all know, will be matched dollar-for-dollar by a generous benefactor. And there are always unanticipated projects, such as a burst pipe that led us to renovate a kitchen and cafeteria in Providence.

If you attended the recent JMM but were not able to join us at the AMS closing event held at the Baltimore Science Center, it was both marvelous and under-subscribed. As an ambassador for our Society, please plan to stay through Saturday night next January when our closing social will be held at the Denver Performing Arts Center. In addition to live music, we will see a new performance piece, created especially for the occasion, by the winner of the Dance your PhD Competition, Nancy Scherich. (winning video titled "Representation of the Braid Group")

When I reflect back on 2018, I am astonished by all that we do to advance research and create connections. I would like to mention some additional highlights from 2018.

- Our Society ended the year with $3 \%$ increase over budget for our operating revenue. Although sales of MAA Press books did not meet budget, our e-book backlists and MathSciNet subscriptions exceeded expectations. Our operating expenses were lower than budgeted, mainly due to some staff positions left unfilled and our shift to a high-deductible insurance plan.
- Our investments lost $5.1 \%$ in 2018. Fortunately, we have already recovered from those losses.
- We have now provided management services to the Association for Women in Mathematics for one year. The AWM had a successful audit, and we are pleased to continue working together.


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- We began looking for new office space in both Ann Arbor and DC.
- We replaced a roof and an HVAC unit in Rhode Island buildings. These projects have had the happy benefit of cutting our electricity use in Providence by half since 2007.
- We have made multiple privacy and security enhancements. You may have noticed the Combined Membership List is gone, and the AMS Member Directory is now behind a secure login. Also, you can now make recurring donations to the AMS with a credit card.
- We continue to see an increase in donations to the AMS, particularly in light of the fundraising campaign for the Next Generation Fund. Bequests continue to play an important role in our financial security.
- Our US and EU sales of books grew in 2018, but sales in Asia declined. Sales of our e-book backlist collections are holding strong. The AMS book series Contemporary Mathematics is proving particularly successful, as are Graduate Studies in Mathematics and Mathematical Surveys and Monographs.
- We are developing plans to publish more books in applied mathematics.
- We integrated MAA Press books into the AMS Book Program with the goal of creating a comprehensive and unified book program to serve potential readers at all levels. We will introduce an electronic backlist of the MAA Press collection, which should enhance sales.
- AMS MathViewer-an online, interactive, dual-panel reading experience for AMS journalshas been expanded to include Mathematics of Computation, edited by Sue Brenner.
- We have redesigned our homepage www.ams.org and have released new Government and Development websites. We are working our way through the rest of the website this year.
- Notices of the AMS has an enhanced website that supports new types of content introduced by the new Editor in Chief, Erica Flapan. Notices content can now be syndicated to appear on other areas of our website.
- Our membership numbers continue to decline, but at a slower rate than in previous years. We have seen the numbers of nominated student members increase for the fourth year in a row, and in 2018 we saw an increase in the regular members for the first time in at least eight years.
- The Headlines \& Deadlines newsletter is emailed to all AMS members twice a month.
- The Mathematics Research Communities now meet in Rhode Island, so we were able to involve more AMS staff in this important professional development activity for early-career mathematicians.
- Indeed, we are serving the needs of more and more early-career mathematicians through our Mathematics Research Communities, 11 blogs (including our newest "Math Mamas"), AMS Graduate Student Travel Grants, and the AMS Simons Travel Grants. Our annual Congressional Fellow and Mass Media Fellow are already familiar to you. The important Next Generation Fund will secure the future of these programs and allow us to introduce new ones.
- We are developing plans to enhance awareness of and opportunities for careers in business, industry, government, and nonprofits.


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- Our Congressional lunch briefings on Capitol Hill are now joint with the Mathematical Sciences Research Institute, and they occur twice a year.
- We have increased our involvement with the National Academies, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the White House's Office of Science, Technology, and Policy.
- We have redesigned the annual meeting of the Committee on Education to include a oneday mini-conference. The 2018 offering was titled "Next steps in the evolution of mathematics education: moving beyond pilots".
- The Chair's Workshop at the JMM attracted 70 people (a $43 \%$ increase over the previous two years).
- Since we last met in January, our inaugural Director of Education and Diversity, Helen Grundman, has retired. I am serving as interim Director for Diversity and Inclusion.

Two more items deserve special attention. First, MathJax, a cross-browser open-source library that displays mathematical notation in web browsers, was started in 2008 and has been comanaged by the AMS and SIAM. Now in 2019 the initiative we hatched will leave the nest and join NumFOCUS, a stable, independent, and professional home for projects in the open-source scientific data stack. I think this is a terrific example of how the AMS can support great ideas benefitting the entire scientific community and grow them into independent, separate entities. And, finally, the AMS is an inaugural member of a new coalition of 52 scientific societies called the Societies Consortium on Sexual Harassment in STEMM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, and Medicine). This consortium will advance the professional and ethical conduct, climate, and culture across our respective fields. Professional societies have a unique responsibility as standard-setters for STEMM fields in addressing the pervasive problem of sexual and gender harassment. Initial work will focus on model policies and procedures for society honors and awards.

## JMM 2022 and Beyond

As many of you know, under a 1998 agreement the Joint Mathematics Meetings (JMM) are managed jointly by the AMS and the MAA. Starting in 2022, the AMS will become solely responsible for the management of this meeting. The MAA also announced a plan to shift their energies toward their summer MathFest meeting, and thus they will be reducing the content they provide at the JMM. As you can imagine, there are many discussions going on as we begin to plan and re-imagine what the JMM will look like after three more years.

As I mentioned in January, we are in the input-gathering and idea-generation stages. Today, the Council meeting discussion will be devoted to these topics.

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## LIST OF SELECTED MEETINGS, HOLIDAYS, AND RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCES FOR USE BY AMS STAFF WHEN SCHEDULING AMS MEETINGS

This is a list of dates and sites of various meetings, holidays, and religious observances that AMS staff has been instructed to avoid conflicting with when scheduling AMS meetings. It includes meetings of AMS Council, ECBT, ABC, Policy Committees, etc. This list is NOT INTENDED TO BE ALL-INCLUSIVE and SHOULD BE USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH the Mathematics Calendar: www.ams.org/meetings/calendar/mathcal.

This list is maintained by staff in the Executive Director Department. Please notify exd-staff@ams.org of changes.

| DATE | MEETING/HOLIDAY/RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE | SITE |
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| April 12, 2019 (Fri) | Agenda and Budget Committee (ABC) Meeting | Web Conference |
| April 13-14, 2019 (Sat-Sun) | AMS Sectional Meeting | University of Connecticut Hartford, CT |
| April 15-16, 2019 (Mon-Tue) | AMS Committee on Science Policy (CSP) Meeting | Washington, DC |
| April 19-27, 2019 (Fri-Sat) | Passover | --- |
| April 19, 2019 (Fri) | Good Friday | --- |
| April 20, 2019 (Sat) | Holy Saturday | --- |
| April 21, 2019 (Sun) | Easter | --- |
| May 2, 2019 (Thu) | Joint Policy Board for Mathematics (JPBM) Meeting | Alexandria, VA |
| May 3, 2019 (Fri) | Conference Board of the Mathematical Sciences (CBMS) Meeting | Washington, DC |
| May 4, 2019 (Sat) | National Math Festival | Washington, DC |
| May 16, 2019 (Thu) | AMS Committee on Committees Meeting | Providence, RI |
| May 17-18, 2019 (Fri-Sat) | AMS Executive Committee and Board of Trustees (ECBT) Meeting | Providence, RI |
| May 27, 2019 (Mon) | Memorial Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| June 10-13, 2019 | AMS Joint International Meeting with the Vietnamese Mathematical Society | Quy Nhon University Quy Nhon City, Vietnam |
| July 4, 2019 (Thu) | Independence Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| July 15-19, 2019 (Mon-Fri) | International Congress on Industrial and Applied Mathematics (ICIAM) | Valencia, Spain |
| July 15-21, 2019 (Mon-Sun) | International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO) | Bath, United Kingdom |



| DATE | MEETING/HOLIDAY/RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE | SITE |
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| November 2-3, 2019 (Sat-Sun) | AMS Sectional Meeting | University of Florida Gainesville, FL |
| November 9-10, 2019 | AMS Sectional Meeting | University of California Riverside, CA |
| November 11, 2019 (Mon) | Veterans' Day | AMS RI \& DC Offices Closed MI Office Open |
| November 22-23, 2019 (Fri-Sat) | AMS Executive Committee and Board of Trustees (ECBT) Meeting | Providence, RI |
| November 28, 2019 (Thu) | Thanksgiving Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| November 29, 2019 (Fri) | Day after Thanksgiving | All AMS Offices Closed |
| December 6, 2019 (Fri) TENTATIVE | Conference Board of the Mathematical Sciences (CBMS) Meeting | Washington, DC |
| December 22-30, 2019 (Sun-Mon) | Hanukkah | --- |
| December 24, 2019 | Christmas Eve | AMS DC Office Closed RI \& MI Offices Open |
| December 25, 2019 (Wed) | Christmas Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| December 26-31, 2019 (Thu-Tue) | Christmas Week | AMS MI Office Closed |
| January 1, 2020 (Wed) | New Year's Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| January 14, 2020 (Tue) | AMS Council Meeting | Denver, CO |
| January 15-18, 2020 (Wed-Sat) | AMS-MAA Joint Mathematics Meetings (JMM) | Denver, CO |
| January 20, 2020 (Mon) | Martin Luther King, Jr. Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| February 13-17, 2020 (Thu-Mon) | American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Annual Meeting | Seattle, WA |
| February 17, 2020 (Mon) | President's Day | AMS DC Office Closed RI \& MI Offices Open |
| March 13-15, 2020 (Fri-Sun) | AMS Sectional Meeting The Einstein Public Lecture in Mathematics will be given by Moon Duchin | University of Virginia Charlottesville, VA |
| March 21-22, 2020 (Sat-Sun) | AMS Sectional Meeting | Tufts University Medford, MA |
| March 27, 2020 (Fri) | AMS Secretariat Meeting | Detroit, MI |
| March 28, 2020 (Sat) | AMS Committee on Meetings \& Conferences (COMC) Meeting | Detroit, MI |
| April 3, 2020 (Fri) TENTATIVE | Agenda and Budget Committee (ABC) Meeting | Web Conference |


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| April 4-5, 2020 (Sat-Sun) | AMS Sectional Meeting | Purdue University West Lafayette, IN |
| April 8-16, 2020 (Wed-Thu) | Passover | --- |
| April 10, 2020 (Fri) | Good Friday | --- |
| April 11, 2020 (Sat) | Holy Saturday | --- |
| April 12, 2020 (Sun) | Easter | --- |
| April 21-22, 2020 (Tue-Wed) TENTATIVE | AMS Committee on Science Policy (CSP) Meeting | Washington, DC |
| April 25, 2020 (Sat) | AMS Council Meeting | TBD |
| April 30, 2020 (Thu) | Joint Policy Board for Mathematics (JPBM) Meeting | Washington, DC |
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| May 1, 2020 (Fri) TENTATIVE | Conference Board of the Mathematical Sciences (CBMS) Meeting | Washington, DC |
| May 2-3, 2020 (Sat-Sun) | AMS Sectional Meeting | California State University Fresno, CA |
| May 14, 2020 (Thu) TENTATIVE | AMS Committee on Committees Meeting | Ann Arbor, MI |
| May 15-16, 2020 (Fri-Sat) TENTATIVE | AMS Executive Committee and Board of Trustees (ECBT) Meeting | Ann Arbor, MI |
| May 25, 2020 (Mon) | Memorial Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| July 4, 2020 (Sat) | Independence Day | --- |
| July 5-11, 2020 (Sun-Sat) | European Congress of Mathematicians (8ECM) | Portoroz, Slovenia |
| July 12-19, 2020 (Sun-Sun) | International Congress of Mathematical Education (ICME-14) | Shanghai, China |
| July 29-August 1, 2020 (Wed-Sat) | Mathematical Association of America (MAA) MathFest | Philadelphia, PA |
| August 1-6, 2020 (Sat-Thu) | Joint Statistical Meetings (JSM) | Philadelphia, PA |
| August 10, 2020 (Mon) | Victory Day | AMS RI Office Closed DC \& MI Offices Open |
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| September 7, 2020 (Mon) | Labor Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| September 12-13, 2020 (Sat-Sun) | AMS Sectional Meeting | University of Texas El Paso, TX |
| September 18-20, 2020 (Fri-Sun) | Rosh Hashanah | --- |
| September 27-28, 2020 (Sun-Mon) | Yom Kippur | --- |
| October 2-9, 2020 (Fri-Fri) | Sukkot | --- |


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| October 3-4, 2020 (Sat-Sun) | AMS Sectional Meeting | Pennsylvania State University <br> State College, PA |
| October 9, 2020 (Fri) TENTATIVE | Agenda and Budget Committee (ABC) Meeting | Web Conference |
| October 10-11, 2020 (Sat-Sun) | AMS Sectional Meeting | University of Tennessee Chattanooga, TN |
| October 12, 2020 (Mon) | Columbus Day | AMS RI \& DC Offices Closed MI Office Open |
| October 12, 2020 (Mon) TENTATIVE | AMS Mathematical Reviews Editorial Committee (MREC) Meeting | Ann Arbor, MI |
| October 16-17, 2020 (Fri-Sat) | AMS Committee on Publications (CPub) Meeting | Detroit, MI |
| October 17-18, 2020 (Sat-Sun) | AMS Committee on the Profession (CoProf) Meeting | Detroit, MI |
| October 24-25, 2020 (Sat-Sun) | AMS Sectional Meeting | University of Utah Salt Lake City, UT |
| October 26, 2020 (Mon) | Joint Policy Board for Mathematics (JPBM) Meeting | Washington, DC |
| November 11, 2020 (Wed) | Veterans' Day | AMS RI Office Closed DC \& MI Offices Open |
| November 20-21, 2020 (Fri-Sat) TENTATIVE | AMS Executive Committee and Board of Trustees (ECBT) Meeting | Providence, RI |
| November 26, 2020 (Thu) | Thanksgiving Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| November 27, 2020 (Fri) | Day after Thanksgiving | All AMS Offices Closed |
| December 4, 2020 (Fri) TENTATIVE | Conference Board of the Mathematical Sciences (CBMS) Meeting | Washington, DC |
| December 10-18, 2020 (Thu-Fri) | Hanukkah | --- |
| December 25, 2020 (Fri) | Christmas Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| December 28-31, 2020 (Mon-Thu) | Christmas Week | AMS MI Office Closed |
| January 1, 2021 (Fri) | New Year's Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| January 5, 2021 (Tue) | AMS Council Meeting | Washington, DC |
| January 6-9, 2021 (Wed-Sat) | AMS-MAA Joint Mathematics Meetings (JMM) | Washington, DC |
| January 18, 2021 (Mon) | Martin Luther King, Jr. Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| January 20, 2021 (Wed) | US Presidential Inauguration Day | AMS DC Office Closed |
| February 15, 2021 (Mon) | President's Day | AMS DC Office Closed RI \& MI Offices Open |


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| March 27-April 4, 2021 (Sat-Sun) | Passover | --- |
| April 1-4, 2021 (Thu-Sun) | Passover (last four days) | --- |
| April 2, 2021 (Fri) | Good Friday | --- |
| April 3, 2021 (Sat) | Holy Saturday | --- |
| April 4, 2021 (Sun) | Easter | --- |
| April 9, 2021 (Fri) TENTATIVE | Agenda and Budget Committee (ABC) Meeting | Web Conference |
| May 1-2, 2021 (Sat-Sun) TENTATIVE | AMS Sectional Meeting TENTATIVE | San Francisco State University San Francisco, CA TENTATIVE |
| May 6, 2021 (Thu) | Joint Policy Board for Mathematics (JPBM) Meeting | Washington, DC |
| May 7, 2021 (Fri) TENTATIVE | Conference Board of the Mathematical Sciences (CBMS) Meeting | Washington, DC |
| May 20, 2021 (Thu) TENTATIVE | AMS Committee on Committees Meeting | Providence, RI |
| May 21-22, 2021 (Fri-Sat) TENTATIVE | AMS Executive Committee and Board of Trustees (ECBT) Meeting | Providence, RI |
| May 31, 2021 (Mon) | Memorial Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| July 4, 2021 (Sun) | Independence Day | --- |
| July 5, 2021 (Mon) | Independence Day Observed | All AMS Offices Closed |
| July 5-9, 2021 (Mon-Fri) | AMS Joint International Meeting with French Mathematical Society | Grenoble, France |
| July 19-23, 2021 (Mon-Fri) | Mathematical Congress of the Americas (MCA 2021) <br> (designated as an AMS Joint International Meeting) | Buenos Aires, Argentina |
| August 9, 2021 (Mon) | Victory Day | AMS RI Office Closed DC \& MI Offices Open |
| September 6, 2021 (Mon) | Labor Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| September 6-8, 2021 (Mon-Wed) | Rosh Hashanah | --- |
| September 15-16, 2021 (Wed-Thu) | Yom Kippur | --- |
| September 19-27, 2021 (Mon-Mon) | Sukkot | --- |
| October 8, 2021 (Fri) TENTATIVE | Agenda and Budget Committee (ABC) Meeting | Web Conference |
| October 11, 2021 (Mon) | Columbus Day | AMS RI \& DC Offices Closed MI Office Open |


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| October 11, 2021 (Mon) TENTATIVE | AMS Mathematical Reviews Editorial Committee (MREC) Meeting | Ann Arbor, MI |
| October 9-10, 2021 (Fat-Sun) | AMS Sectional Meeting | Creighton University Omaha, NE |
| November 11, 2021 (Thu) | Veterans' Day | AMS RI Office Closed DC \& MI Offices Open |
| November 19-20, 2021 (Fri-Sat) TENTATIVE | AMS Executive Committee and Board of Trustees (ECBT) Meeting | Providence, RI |
| November 25, 2021 (Thu) | Thanksgiving Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| November 26, 2021 (Fri) | Day after Thanksgiving | All AMS Offices Closed |
| November 28 - December 6, 2021 (Sun-Mon) | Hanukkah | --- |
| December 1-6, 2021 (Wed-Mon) | Hanukkah (last six days) | --- |
| December 25, 2021 (Sat) | Christmas Day | --- |
| December 27-31, 2021 (Mon-Fri) | Christmas Week | AMS MI Office Closed |
| January 1, 2022 (Sat) | New Year's Day | --- |
| January 4, 2022 (Tue) | AMS Council Meeting | Seattle, WA |
| January 5-8, 2022, (Wed-Sat) | AMS-MAA Joint Mathematics Meetings (JMM) | Seattle, WA |
| January 17, 2022 (Mon) | Martin Luther King, Jr. Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| February 21, 2022 (Mon) | President's Day | AMS DC Office Closed RI \& MI Offices Open |
| April 8, 2022 (Fri) TENTATIVE | Agenda and Budget Committee (ABC) Meeting | Web Conference |
| April 15-23, 2022 (Fri-Sat) | Passover | --- |
| April 15, 2022 (Fri) | Good Friday | --- |
| April 16, 2022 (Sat) | Holy Saturday | --- |
| April 17, 2022 (Sun) | Easter | --- |
| May 5, 2022 (Thu) | Joint Policy Board for Mathematics (JPBM) Meeting | Washington, DC |
| May 6, 2022 (Fri) TENTATIVE | Conference Board of the Mathematical Sciences (CBMS) Meeting | Washington, DC |
| May 19, 2022 (Thu) TENTATIVE | AMS Committee on Committees Meeting | Ann Arbor, MI |
| May 20-21, 2022 (Fri-Sat) TENTATIVE | AMS Executive Committee and Board of Trustees (ECBT) Meeting | Ann Arbor, MI |
| May 30, 2022 (Mon) | Memorial Day | All AMS Offices Closed |


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| July 4, 2022 (Mon) | Independence Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| August 8, 2022 (Mon) | Victory Day | AMS RI Office Closed DC \& MI Offices Open |
| August 12-13, 2022 (Fri-Sat) | International Mathematical Union (IMU) General Assembly | St. Petersburg, Russia |
| August 15-23, 2022 (Mon-Tue) | International Congress of Mathematicians (ICM 2022) | St. Petersburg, Russia |
| September 5, 2022 (Mon) | Labor Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| September 25-27, 2022 (Sun-Tue) | Rosh Hashanah | --- |
| October 4-5, 2022 (Tue-Wed) | Yom Kippur | --- |
| October 7, 2022 (Fri) TENTATIVE | Agenda and Budget Committee (ABC) Meeting | Web Conference |
| October 9-16, 2022 (Sun-Sun) | Sukkot | --- |
| October 10, 2022 (Mon) | Columbus Day | AMS RI \& DC Offices Closed <br> MI Office Open |
| October 10, 2022 (Mon) TENTATIVE | AMS Mathematical Reviews Editorial Committee (MREC) Meeting | Ann Arbor, MI |
| November 11, 2022 (Fri) | Veterans' Day | AMS RI Office Closed DC \& MI Offices Open |
| November 18-19, 2022 (Fri-Sat) TENTATIVE | AMS Executive Committee and Board of Trustees (ECBT) Meeting | Providence, RI |
| November 24, 2022 (Thu) | Thanksgiving Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| November 25, 2022 (Fri) | Day after Thanksgiving | All AMS Offices Closed |
| December 17-26, 2022 (Sun-Mon) | Hanukkah | --- |
| December 25, 2022 (Sun) | Christmas Day | All AMS Offices Closed |
| December 26, 2022 (Mon) | Christmas Day Observed | All AMS Offices Closed |
| December 27-30, 2022 (Tue-Fri) | Christmas Week | AMS MI Office Closed |
| January 1, 2023 (Sun) | New Year's Day | --- |
| January 2, 2023 (Mon) | New Year's Day Observed | All AMS Offices Closed |
| January 3, 2023 (Tue) | AMS Council Meeting | Boston, MA |
| January 4-7, 2023 (Wed-Sat) | AMS-MAA Joint Mathematics Meetings (JMM) | Boston, MA |
| December 4-8, 2023 (Mon-Fri) | AMS Joint International Meeting with New Zealand Mathematical Society and Australian Mathematical Society | Auckland, New Zealand |


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