



# Minutes of JMC Council Meeting 6<sup>th</sup> June 2006

#### Present

Officers

Sue Sanders Honorary Secretary (acting Chair)

Adrian Oldknow Honorary Treasurer

Members

Sue Pope Association of Mathematics Education Teachers

John Hibbs Association of Teachers of Mathematics

Ken Ruthven British Society for Research into the Learning

of Mathematics

Tony Mann British Society for the History of Mathematics

Andrew Osbaldestin Conference of Heads of Departments of

Mathematical Sciences

Colin Campbell Edinburgh Mathematical Society

Nigel Steele Institute of Mathematics and its Applications

Elizabeth Winstanley London Mathematical Society
Barry Lewis Mathematical Association

Brian Robinson National Association of Mathematics Advisers

David Martin National Association for Numeracy and

Mathematics in Colleges

Gerald Goodall Royal Statistical Society

**Observers** 

Jeff Evans Adults Learning Mathematics

Margaret Brown Advisory Committee on Mathematics Education
Tony Holloway Department for Education, Lifelong Learning

and Skills (DELLS)

Roger Porkess Mathematics in Education and Industry

George Patterson Operational Research Society
Jane Jones Office for Standards in Education

Alice Onion Qualifications and Curriculum Authority

Nick Von Behr Royal Society

Bill Richardson United Kingdom Mathematics Trust

Visitor

Barbara Linton Qualifications and Curriculum Authority

Guest

David Burghes NCETM

Item	Action
1. Apologies in addition to those listed in 3	
Bernard Silverman (Chair)	
Celia Hoyles (Chief Advisor for Mathematics, DfES)	
Alf Brown (TDA)	
Duncan Lawson (HEA)	
Greg Medcalf (DfES)	
James Nicholson (BCME)	
Paul Scruton (SMP)	
Linton Waters (The National Stategies)	
2. Appreciation of departing representatives	
Departing representatives:	
David Cowley (ATM) and Karen Spencer (ACME)	
3. Welcome to new representatives, alternates and visitors	
New representatives:	
John Hibbs as the new ATM representative	
Margaret Brown as the new ACME representative	
Alternates:	
Sue Pope as alternate for Dave Miller (AMET)	
Tony Mann as alternate for June Barrow-Green (BSHM)	
Jeff Evans as alternate for Diana Coben (ALM)	
Visitor: Barbara Linton (QCA)	
Guest: David Burghes (NCETM)	
4. Minutes of the meeting of 16th February 2006	
Approved after correction (James Nicholson appeared twice in the list of those present)	
5. Matters arising from the minutes	
None	

## 6. Reports from Executive

#### a. Chair

- i. Elections of Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Secretary for 2006 2007. The Treasurer is willing to stand. The Secretary will be standing down. Nominations for these posts to Chair by 30 September 2006.
- ii. Nominations for the Nominations Committee. The Nominations Committee needs a new member (with good contacts in the Schools and FE sector). Nominations to the Chair by 30 September 2006.

b. Secretary

- i. Election of New Chair. Member organisations nominated Professor Ros Sutherland. She has formally accepted,
- ii. Heather Mendick seeks JMC organisations to work with on her GCSE Mathematics Research project. Email Sue Sanders for further details if interested.
- iii. SEMTA (Science, Engineering and Manufacturing Technologies Alliance) will be a guest at our Council meeting in November (with a view to possibly becoming observers).

c. Treasurer

To continue being located at the Royal Society we will need to raise the annual subscriptions. Proposal for November AGM is Member organisations have an increase of £20 each while observers pay annual fees amounting to £75. Letters will be sent to organisations for them to discuss this proposal with their organisation. Observers to feed back to Treasurer

d. Chair of Nominations Committee Adrian Oldknow nominated to represent
 JMC on SETNET (The Science, Engineering,
 Technology and Mathematics Network)

All Nominations for Secretary, Treasurer and Nominations Committee to Chair by 30 September

All Email Sue Sanders for details of GCSE research project if interested

Adrian Oldknow will contact JMC organisations.
Observers to feedback responses

7. Report from ACME (Margaret Brown)	
Papers submitted.  New ACME members are Mr Peter Thomas (Hills Road Sixth Form College, Cambridge - from 1 September 2006) and Dr Alice Rogers (Department of Mathematics, King's College, University of London - from 1 January 2007)	
8. Members Item (David Martin)	
Paper submitted Question for 9 <sup>th</sup> November 2006 meeting "How best might JMC organisations work with the NCETM?" NCETM to be asked to report back at the November meeting (e.g. with a synthesis of JMC organisations previously submitted responses to NCETM)	David Martin to communicate with NCETM
9. Higher Education ( HoDoMS, HEA & LMS ) Papers submitted	
10. Teacher Education ( Sue Pope) Paper submitted	
11. International Affairs (Sue Sanders) Verbal report given JMC to seek general funding for attending ICME 11. ATM and MA to seek to identify if they would like to fund members attending ICME 11 through a JMC panel or their own panel.	Sue Sanders to seek general funding ATM and MA to inform JMC of funding method
12. JMC Website (David Martin) Verbal report given Any JMC website corrections to David Martin	All to send any website corrections to David Martin

## 13. Update on current developments

- a. TDA (Alf Brown paper submitted)
- **b. QCA** (Roger Porkess report on QCA meeting attended on behalf of JMC submitted and Alice Onion paper submitted)
- c. **DELLS(ACCAC)** (Tony Holloway paper submitted)
- d. OFSTED (Jane Jones paper submitted)
- e. The National Strategies (Linton Waters paper submitted)

# 14. Dates of future meetings

- a. Thursday  $9^{th}$  November 2006 at 11:30 immediately following AGM at 11:00
- b. Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2007 at 11:00 (tbc)
- c. Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2007 at 11:00 (tbc)

## Discussion items

 November 2006 - 'Mathematics In Higher Education'

## 15. AOB

Chris Robson's great contribution to forming and serving on ACME.

Colin Matthews (NCETM) joined us to inform us that he has been asked to join a committee seeking to set up a 'Single Subject Associations Council' and would benefit from our steer and expression of support.

#### Discussion item

Review of the development of NCETM led by Professor David Burghes, Director of NCETM