

**Blue Ribbon Mathematics Partnership Meeting Notes:  
12/06/00**

In affiliation with Doddridge, Hampshire, Harrison, Marion, Mineral, Monongalia, Preston, Ritchie, Taylor, and Wood Counties, West Virginia University and West Virginia University - Parkersburg

**Members Present:**

Delwin DeLong, Al Edwards, Christina Gomez, Debbie Grimes, Boyd Holtan, Don Kenyon, Allan Meck, Diana Munza, Laura Pyzdrowski, Charlotte Starkey, Sue Steinbeck,.

**Guests:**

Sherry Crowley, Murrel Hoover, Sherm Riemenschneider, Jim Snyder

**Introduction of new members and guests:**

We have two new members, Charlotte Starkey high school teacher from Doddridge County and Debbie Grimes high school teacher from Preston County. Two new guests were present, Murrel Hoover who coordinates activities for MERIT, and Sherry Crowley, representing the Extended Learning Office at WU.

A small working group will submit an Eisenhower grant for a Geometry Workshop this summer. A letter of support from each county superintendent would be helpful and some type of support from the counties also would strengthen the chances of being funded. Laura, Dr. Holtan and anyone else interested will contact Libby Frye to work with her on the project. Members interested in participating in the project will be contacted in January and asked to submit letters of support from their counties.

Murrel Hoover has volunteered to offer a one day workshop for Geometer's Sketchpad for the committee this spring. Contact will be made with a representative from Key Curriculum Press to hold a Fathom Workshop on March 24. The workshops should be relatively inexpensive in order to encourage teacher participation.

There is interest to expand the locations of the Blue Ribbon Precalculus Course and the WvEB Algebra Course. Anyone interested in hosting a site should contact Laura to discuss plans for the next academic year. It is important that we give serious consideration toward our bridging project.

Diana and Toni will choose a date in the spring for Japanese Mathematics Education presentation. Debbie Grimes is willing to present information to the group on the AP Calculus program in our State.

At 5:00, Jim Snyder from It's About Time Publishers presented instructional materials from MATH Connections. The MATH Connections program is a National Science Foundation project and is a reform program. He presented a correlation to the State IGO s.

**Informal meeting:**

Flatwoods 3/15 during WVCTM conference. Time TBA

Check out the Blue Ribbon Web Site at <http://www.blueribbon.ws>

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**Next Meeting:**

Diana Munza and Toni DeVore, both committee members, have visited Japanese classrooms. They will present information about their trip to the group.

The next meeting is TBA. Check the Blue Ribbon Web Site for Time and Date