

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

College of Science Discipline Sub-Committee in Mathematics

The 2nd College of Science Discipline Sub-Committee in Mathematics Meeting for 2006 was held on Tuesday 30 May at 1.00pm in Room G35, John Dedman Mathematical Sciences Building.

Present

Ben Andrews, Murray Batchelor, Peter Bouwknecht, Nirmalendu Chaudhuri, Lilia Ferrario, John Hutchinson, Alex Isaev, Rick Loy, Ross Maller, Jonathan Manter, Elizabeth Ormerod, Steve Roberts, Malcolm Sambridge, Linda Stals, Steve Stern, Alexander Szimayer, Bryan Wang, Alan Welsh, Dayal Wickramasinghe, Sue Wilson.

In attendance

Kelly Wicks

MINUTES

1. Welcome

Steve Roberts welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Math Day

Math Day was held on the 26 May and was reported as being very successful. Around 150 yr 12 students attended from colleges all over.

Alexander Isaev and Andrew Hassell gave a quick run down on how the day was structured and explained that their role for the day was to mark all the questions given out to the students.

Alex confirmed that next year the day would still be organised by the Canberra Mathematics Association but would be supported administratively by the ANU rather than the Australian Mathematics Trust. The Department of Mathematics have also been requested to create the questions for the students as well as the marking of them.

For noting

3. ANU College

John Hutchinson informed the committee that the ANU College was going very well.

John is currently organising an all day workshop for the college teachers to be held next Friday, 2 June, with over 25 teachers registered to attend.

For noting

4. Mathematical Finance Major

Attached is a proposal from Dr Steve Roberts regarding changing the Mathematical Finance Major. The committee were supportive towards the request for the 2 finance courses, FINM3003/3007 as level C science courses.

Some minor amendments were asked to be made regarding wording of the final paragraph.

For consideration

5. New Mathematical Economic Major

Attached is the draft proposal and structure for the new Mathematical Economic Major from Dr Steve Roberts. It was agreed that a sub-committee should be formed for further discussion regarding the level C courses.

For consideration

6. New Mathematics Physics Special Topic Course

Murray Batchelor informed the committee that a new subject code has been created for the Mathematics Physics Special Topic course, MATH33??. This course will be offered as a Semester 2 course.

For noting

7. 2nd & 3rd year Computational Science and Modelling Courses

Attached are the changes being made to MATH3501 and the proposals for MATH3510/3511 from Dr Steve Roberts. These proposal are still under discussion.

For consideration

8. Strategic Plan

Attached are question in relation to the Strategic Plan. Dr Steve Roberts has asked for feedback and help in answering the questions.

For consideration

Meeting closed at 2:00pm.

Kelly Wicks
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