

SCCTM News November 10, 2019

Voting for SCCTM Officers Is Open

Voting for SCCTM officers is open. Candidate information can be found via a link on our homepage at <http://scctm.org> or by following this direct link: <https://scctm.wildapricot.org/>

The ballot for voting can be found via a link on our home page, or by following this direct link: <https://scctm.wildapricot.org/>

SCCTM Newsletter

Find the President's Message, conference information, and more in the November 2019 Newsletter via this link: [SCCTM Newsletter November 2019.pdf](#) or on the SCCTM webpage: <http://www.>

Conference News

Registration is Still Open for Math Conference

Even though the October 15th early bird deadline is over, participants may still register on-line for the conference. On-site payment may be made, but participants should register prior to coming to the conference. Payment may be left pending if being made by purchase order, which should be emailed. Payment may be made on-line by card or a purchase order may be emailed.

You will find the information for emailing in a purchase order once you click the Register for Conference button at: SCCTM.org

If you need to get in touch personally with questions about registration, membership, or presenting at an SCCTM Conference contact Cindy Parker at the email address below.

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Conference T-Shirt Orders

Conference shirts may be ordered by visiting:

<https://www.customink.com/g/dkv0-00bu-nqjn>

Call for *MathMate* Articles

Be a superhero - contribute to SCCTM's *MathMate* journal!

Share your insights and expertise about innovative mathematical classroom practices, important and timely educational issues, pedagogical methods, theoretical findings, significant mathematical ideas, and hands-on classroom activities so that all of us - and especially our students - benefit.

The January issue is fast approaching, and the deadline for article submissions has been extended to **November 30, 2019**. For more information and instructions on how to submit articles for consideration, please visit <http://www.scctm.org/The-MathMate>.

Please review the minutes of the 2018 Business Meeting

The minutes of the 2018 Business Meeting are available for review on the November 2019 newsletter (pages 9-11). Please take a moment to check them out, as well as other information about our conference.

To be voted on during our Annual Business Meeting

At its April 27 meeting, the board voted to amend the bylaws to allow the president-elect to serve one year, followed by a two-year stint as president and a one-year term as past president. For this to happen, the board will need to amend our constitution, present it to the members at the conference and garner a 2/3 majority of those members attending our annual business meeting.

The change in the president's term would restructure the board whereby every year it would include either a president elect OR a past president. Currently, the Constitution states that both positions shall be on the board. Because the offices of president-elect and past president will rotate every year, it will be necessary to change the words "shall be" to "may include".

Currently, the constitution reads as follows:

Article IV. Officers Section 1. The officers shall be President, President-Elect, the immediate Past-President, Secretary, Treasurer, VicePresident for Elementary Teachers, Vice-President for Middle School Teachers, Vice-President for High School

Teachers, Vice President for Post-Secondary Teachers, Vice-President at Large, and National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Representative.

It has been recommended to be amended as follows:

Article IV. Officers Section 1. The officers may include President, PresidentElect, the immediate Past-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice-President for Elementary Teachers, Vice-President for Middle School Teachers, Vice-President for High School Teachers, Vice President for Post-Secondary Teachers, Vice-President at Large, and National Council of Teachers of Mathematics Representative.

The 2019 Business Meeting is scheduled for 5:00 PM in Room 202 on November 14. It serves as our way of thanking the presenters, volunteers, scholarship winners, award winners, and the many people who help our organization grow and flourish.

There is something for everyone. Many will be recognized for their contributions to mathematics education and, of course, some say that their highlight of the evening is the drawing of the door prizes. Please include this annual meeting as a part of your evening.

Here is a link to the agenda for the meeting: [Agenda](#)

SCCTM Book Study: Dine and Discuss

Stanford University professor, bestselling author, and acclaimed educator Jo Boaler has spent decades studying the impact of beliefs and bias on education. In **Limitless Mind**, she explodes these myths and reveals the six keys to unlocking our boundless learning potential. Her research proves that those who achieve at the highest levels do not do so because of a genetic inclination toward any one skill but because of the keys that she reveals in the book. Our brains are not “fixed,” but entirely capable of change, growth, adaptability, and rewiring. Want to be fluent in mathematics? Learn a foreign language? Play the guitar? Write a book? The truth is not only that *anyone at any age can learn anything*, but the act of learning itself fundamentally changes who we are, and as Boaler argues so elegantly in the pages of this book, what we go on to achieve.

[Link to flier](#)

2020 SC STEM Grants and STEM Educator of the Year

South Carolina's Coalition for Mathematics and Science / S²TEM Centers SC is **awarding 5 grants** to South Carolina schools and/or classrooms. The grants support the development and implementation of new projects and/or units that enhance preK-12 STEAM education as related to the Profile of the SC Graduate. **Grantees received up to \$2,500.** In addition to the monetary award, grantees received onsite STEAM focused professional development **valued at \$1,500.** More information at <https://www.s2temsc.org/> .

Additionally, Comporium in partnership with South Carolina Future Minds, Dominion Energy, and SCCMS/S²TEM Centers SC are joining together to power **SC STEM Educator of the Year** designed to honor teachers who are inspiring students across the state to develop a passion for STEM subjects. The deadline for nominations is November 30, 2019 at <https://scfutureminds.org/> . **The winner will be awarded \$5,000.**

Additional information can be found on SC STEM Education Month webpage - <https://www.sccoalition.org/> .